Taxonomy is the science of classifying and describing the natural world. It is fundamental to understanding ecosystem functioning and the biodiversity of our planet. Taxonomy underpins all of biology and is essential in other disciplines and industries such as biology, ecology, environmental education, forestry, fisheries, pharmaceutics, and tourism.

The origins and evolution of life on our planet. The documenting and describing of the natural world. Taxonomy is a tool for and a product of biodiversity based research. They contain cultural and historical objects that are central to our way of life. They are an aid for and a basis of biodiversity based research. They provide direct access to biodiversity. Their occurrence and their associated biological, geographical and ecological data. They form the backbone for the cataloguing and represent more than 80% of the world’s described species. Their occurrences and their associated biodiversity data.

The CETAF network is a network of distributed natural history collections, their associated biodiversity data and biodiversity field research. The CETAF network and its associated biodiversity data and biodiversity field research form the backbone for the cataloguing and represent more than 80% of the world’s described species. They are both biodiversity data and biodiversity field research.

We promote easy, open and reliable access to biological, geographical and ecological data. We promote digitalisation and digital access. We support to policy and decision makers. We promote biodiversity based research. We promote easy, open and reliable access to biodiversity. We provide international leadership in setting and implementing standards for both collections and biodiversity data. We promote biodiversity based research. We foster a culture of taxonomic research, molecular research, morphological research, field research, and specimen preservation.

CETAF is the largest network of distributed natural history collections in Europe. CETAF is the largest network of distributed natural history collections in Europe. CETAF offers the scientific community the largest distributed taxonomy and collections-based research network in Europe. CETAF offers the scientific community the largest distributed taxonomy and collections-based research network in Europe.

Our added value: a united voice for taxonomy and collecting in Europe

Natural History Collections contain cultural and historical objects that are central to our way of life. They are an aid for and a basis of biodiversity based research. They provide direct access to biodiversity. Their occurrence and their associated biological, geographical and ecological data. They form the backbone for the cataloguing and represent more than 80% of the world’s described species. Their occurrences and their associated biodiversity data.

We provide international leadership in setting and implementing standards for both collections and biodiversity data. We provide international leadership in setting and implementing standards for both collections and biodiversity data.

We promote biodiversity based research. We promote biodiversity based research. We promote digitalisation and digital access. We support to policy and decision makers. We promote biodiversity based research. We foster a culture of taxonomic research, molecular research, morphological research, field research, and specimen preservation.

CETAF is the largest network of distributed natural history collections in Europe. CETAF is the largest network of distributed natural history collections in Europe. CETAF offers the scientific community the largest distributed taxonomy and collections-based research network in Europe. CETAF offers the scientific community the largest distributed taxonomy and collections-based research network in Europe.

Our added value: a united voice for taxonomy and collecting in Europe

Natural History Collections contain cultural and historical objects that are central to our way of life. They are an aid for and a basis of biodiversity based research. They provide direct access to biodiversity. Their occurrence and their associated biological, geographical and ecological data. They form the backbone for the cataloguing and represent more than 80% of the world’s described species. Their occurrences and their associated biodiversity data.

We provide international leadership in setting and implementing standards for both collections and biodiversity data. We provide international leadership in setting and implementing standards for both collections and biodiversity data.

We promote biodiversity based research. We promote biodiversity based research. We promote digitalisation and digital access. We support to policy and decision makers. We promote biodiversity based research. We foster a culture of taxonomic research, molecular research, morphological research, field research, and specimen preservation.