



## Ebbe Nielsen Prize 2013

### Call for nominations

*The Ebbe Nielsen Prize will be awarded for the twelfth time in 2013 to an individual or small team that is demonstrating innovative research excellence in integrating biodiversity science and informatics. The Science Committee of the GBIF Governing Board seeks nominations for the Prize, which are due 15 February 2013.*

#### Description, Qualifications and Nomination Procedures

1. The annual Ebbe Nielsen Prize (ENP) was established by the GBIF Governing Board in 2001 to honour its namesake, Ebbe Schmidt Nielsen, who was an inspirational leader in the fields of biosystematics/biodiversity informatics, and played a key role in the establishment of GBIF.
2. The Prize, €30,000, is intended to recognize *a body of recent and current research* that demonstrates excellence, novelty and innovation in advancing the integration of biodiversity science and informatics.
3. Nominees may be a single investigator, or a small, joint research team conducting research at an institution in a GBIF Voting or Associate Participant country<sup>1</sup>.
4. The prize is intended to support growth and amplification of the awardee's biodiversity informatics research, which may be conducted at either their home institution, or as a visiting scholar at an institution of their choice within or outside the awardee's country of residence. The specific research use of the award is at the discretion of the recipient(s).
5. ENP nominations, including self-nominations, must be **submitted by**

**15 February 2013**

**to the Head of Delegation of any GBIF Voting or Associate Participant country<sup>1</sup>, who will select that Participant's ENP candidate.**

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.gbif.org/communications/directory-of-contacts/governing-board-of-gbif/>

6. **The nomination packet**, prepared in English, must include the following documents in electronic form<sup>2</sup>:
  - a cover letter from the Head of Delegation of the nominating GBIF Participant describing the novel and innovative nature of the nominee's research achievement;
  - materials that support the nominee's research achievements, such as reprints or links to on-line publications and research websites;
  - the nominee's curriculum vitae;
  - a statement from the nominee describing how the Prize will be used to foster growth and advancement of their body of research.
  - a maximum of three (3) supporting letters from experts in the fields of biodiversity science, systematics, ecology or biodiversity informatics;
7. The winner of the Prize will be selected by the Science Committee of the GBIF Governing Board. The Prize will be awarded at the Annual GBIF Governing Board meeting held October 8-10, 2013 in Cartagena, Colombia.
8. The Prize winner will be invited to present their research at the GBIF Science Symposium on October 9, 2013 during the annual Governing Board meeting, with an emphasis on how the research is serving the broader interests of science and society. The public will be invited to attend the lecture.

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<sup>2</sup> Previous nominations may be updated and submitted for consideration in the 2013 current competition.