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Subject: PABIODIV: GBIF Request for Proposals (fwd)

Note that the deadline for pre-proposals is 28 Feb 2003

The Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF) was established in 2001 to take on a unique task: To make it possible for policy- and decision-makers, research scientists and the general public -worldwide- to electronically access the world's supply of primary scientific data on biodiversity.

The GBIF Work Programme includes promotion of the digitization and geo-referencing of natural history specimen label data and observational records, and speeding up the process of creating an electronic catalog of the names of known organisms. More detail about GBIF's Work Programmes and other areas of emphasis can be found on GBIF's web site (www.gbif.org).

To further GBIF's goals and to engage as many productive individuals and institutions in it as possible, GBIF is issuing a request for proposals (RFP) to provide seed money for selected projects. The RFP can be found at www.gbif.org.

Review of the proposals will be conducted in a two-step process: First, short pre-proposals will be evaluated, and based on that evaluation, full proposals will be specifically requested by the GBIF Secretariat.

We encourage your interest in GBIF, and look forward to receiving your pre-proposals (3-5 page submissions see the RFP for details) by 28 February 2003.

Sincerely yours,

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