

The Clearing House Mechanism and the TSCCs

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The Clearing House Mechanism (CHM)



Established according to Article 18.3

Tool to promote technical and scientific cooperation

Main objectives and Programme of Work confirmed by Decision 16/09

Goal 1: to promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation

Goal 2: to facilitate the exchange of information

Goal 3: to support planning, monitoring, reporting and review

Goal 4: to facilitate networking and collaboration among Parties and partners

Related to the Central CHM <https://chm.cbd.int/en/>

Nagoya Protocol ABS-CH <https://absch.cbd.int/en/>

Cartagena Protocol BCH <https://bch.cbd.int/en/>

National CHMs and regional CHM in Europe: Short history



Regional EU CHM:

European Environment Agency with Commission

National CHM:

Mostly websites and yearly meetings to promote joint activities

1996 – 2008

Independent national sites

2008 – 2018

+10 EU countries and 35 others used CHM
Portal toolkit

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National CHM:

2018

EU CHM stopped support to PTK and developed BISE for the Commission

2018 -

EU CHM supported development of Bioland by the SCBD

4 European countries and 33 countries use Bioland

CHM in practice



Programme of work for the CHM 2025-2030

- Implemented by the **Parties** to the Convention, in accordance with the Convention, in particular Articles 16, 17, 18 and 20, and the **Secretariat**, with the support of the **global coordination entity of the technical and scientific cooperation mechanism and its regional and subregional support centres**, as well as global, regional, subregional and thematic organizations

Goal 1: to promote and facilitate technical and scientific cooperation

1.1. Mechanisms to facilitate technical and scientific cooperation at the global, regional, subregional and national levels are developed or strengthened

Assist the Centers

1.2. Matchmaking among Parties with specific technical and scientific needs and other Parties or institutions able to provide the necessary support is facilitated.

Use existing tools from partners like the Biobridge, NBSAP accelerator matchmaking facilities and support the Regional TSCCs



Goal 2: to facilitate the exchange of information



2.1. The central portal of the clearing-house mechanism is providing effective information services to facilitate the implementation of the Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

Central Website of the CHM and also the CHM knowledge base.

2.2. Systems for exchanging, integrating and visualizing information are strengthened.

CHM, BCH, ABS-CH, Bioland 2

Goal 3. To support planning, monitoring, reporting and review



3.1. Tools and mechanisms to facilitate and support planning, monitoring, reporting and review of progress in the implementation of the Framework and the Convention are developed or strengthened..

ORT, National reports for the Protocols

3.2 National clearing-house mechanisms are strengthened and are facilitating the implementation of national biodiversity strategies and action plans effectively.

Bioland 2

Goal 4. To facilitate networking and collaboration among Parties and partners



4.1 The network of global, regional, subregional and national partner organizations and networks is expanded and strengthened.

TSC-IAG, TSC mechanism

4.2. Partners are actively networking and exchanging information, expertise, ideas and other resources through the clearing-house mechanism network.

Partly through the guidelines for GBF and target implementation, TSC-IAG, Bioland, ORT

Regional CHMs and the Regional TSCCs



Not many regional CHM

EU (BISE)

ASEAN (ACB)

EU:

Mainly information exchange, reporting, no technical and scientific cooperation

ACB:

Information exchange, networking, capacity building and development, technical and scientific cooperation, reporting

CHM is fundamentally a tool, already in use, to organize and share biodiversity information and data

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Regional Technical and scientific cooperation support Centers (TSCCs)

mobilizes organizations and experts to provide technical and scientific cooperation, capacity building and development, and enabling tools based on the needs expressed by parties

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