Data provision and co-authorship policies

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EBBA2
European Breeding Bird Atlas

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European Bird Census Council
every bird counts

Principles and rules for data access and co-authorship useful

So far

- '*Guidelines on the costs of EBCC Atlas data provision and supply*'
- *Data Provision and Co-authorship Policies*

Principles

- National data providers = owners
- EBCC is allowed:
    - to use and communicate on aggregated data
    - To conduct explorative analysis for scientific purposes
- Proper acknowledgements of data providers

Principles

Co-authorship

- data providers to be informed in advance and offered co-authorship

- Active involvement in the process of writing the scientific paper is needed to justify co-authorship

- National data only: If the leading author sends an almost ready manuscript (that is usually difficult to contribute), all data providers willing to contribute shall be co-authors

Policy in practice in PECBMS

- Standard deliveries of aggregated results for policy and promotional purposes
- All request from researchers discussed within Steering Group and EBCC Board
- One paper using supranational data (published)
- Three projects using national data (not published yet)
- No request from commercial sector

Observations

- Takes time to get answers from data providers
- Researchers might not always like many co-authors

The policy works well

- Comments, questions, suggestions?

- The policies to be used for EBBA2 too