



Training and capacity-building on the new platform of the Biosafety Clearing- House

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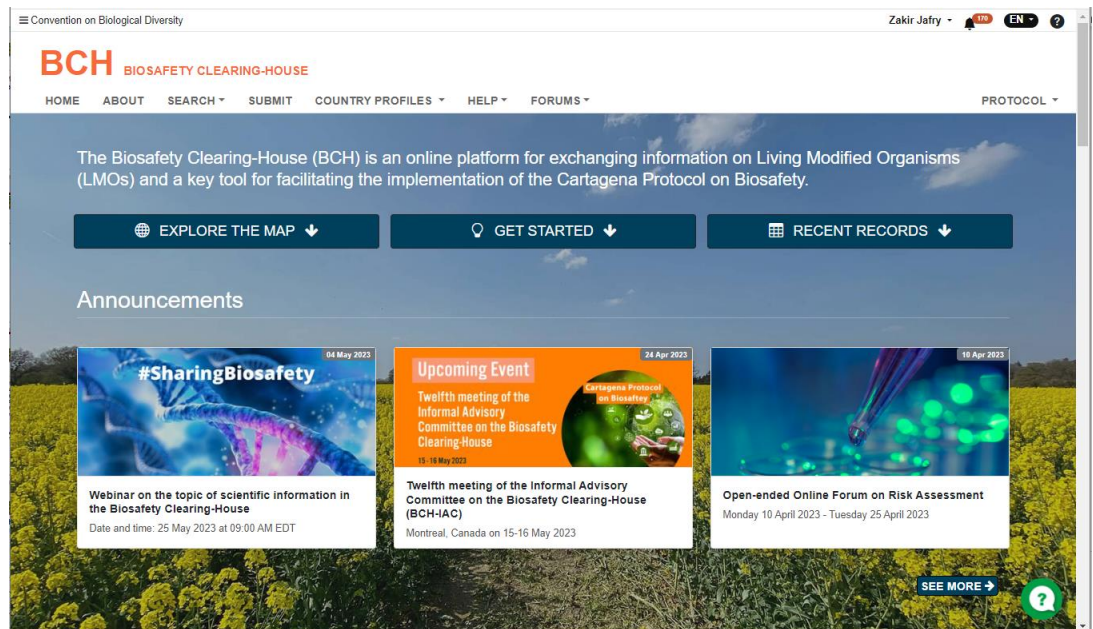
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Training materials available on the BCH

- **Onboarding Tours:** virtual self-explanatory tours are available on the Country Profile, Submit and Search pages. These tours walk users through each page, identifying key functions.
- **The Knowledge Base** is a central hub which contains help articles and background information on the BCH.
- **Contextual help:** With one click, users can access relevant guidance materials specific to the current page they are navigating.
- The **Chat function** allows users to directly communicate with Secretariat staff in the event they have a specific question.

Need help?

Click here to access contextual help where you can find more information related to the Dashboard.

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In-person presentations and trainings

- **Regional Advisor Network Training of Trainers**
 - Dubai, UAE (June 2022)
- **BCH training session at regional workshops on *Risk assessment of living modified organisms***
 - *Dakar, Senegal (September 2022)*
 - *Antalya, Turkiye (October 2022)*
 - *Manila, Philippines (November 2022)*
- **BCH Training workshop on the margins of COP 15/ CP-MOP 10**
 - Montreal, Canada (December 2022)
- **BCH COP 15 – CP-MOP 10 Side event to celebrate the launch of the new platform**
- **International Conference on GMO Analysis and New Genomic Techniques**
 - Berlin, Germany (March 2023)





UNEP-GEF BCH III training and capacity-building

- **Regional and national workshops** conducted throughout BCH III Project countries, facilitated through the Regional Advisors Network
- **Virtual Learning Environment (VLE):** Resource of training materials on the BCH





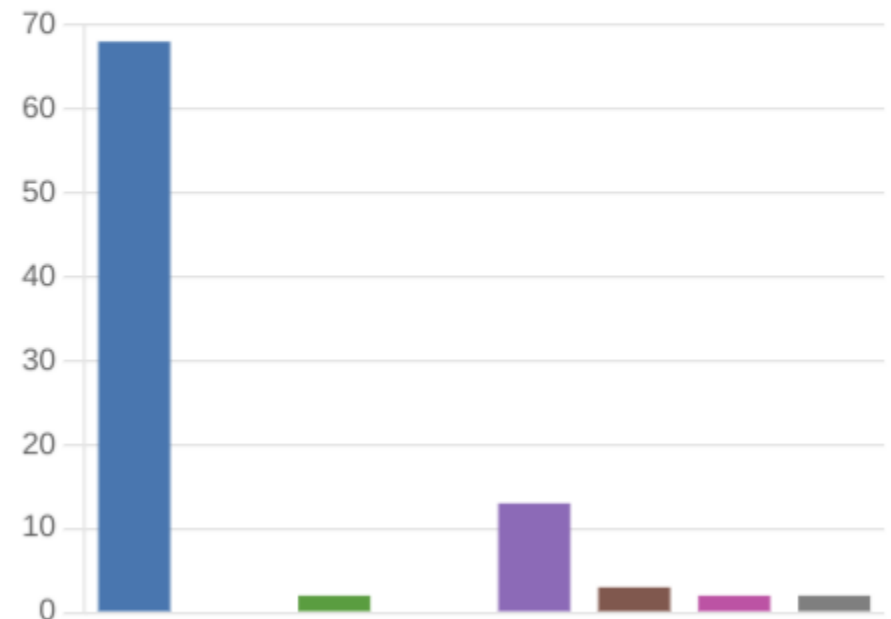
Survey on training and capacity-building needs

- **Recent survey conducted in February 2023** to better understand users' level of familiarity on the new platform and their training needs and challenges (90 responses received)

3. What category of the Biosafety Clearing-House user best describes you?

More Details

● Government	68
● Private sector/business	0
● Non-governmental organization	2
● Inter-governmental organization	0
● Research/academia	13
● UN and other specialized agenci...	3
● Indigenous peoples and local co...	2
● Other	2





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7. How familiar are you with searching for information in the *new* Biosafety Clearing-House?

More Details

Not familiar	13
Somewhat familiar	21
Moderately familiar	33
Very familiar	23





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8. How familiar are you with submitting information in the new Biosafety Clearing-House?

More Details

● Not familiar	25
● Somewhat familiar	11
● Moderately familiar	40
● Very familiar	14





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9. How familiar are you with the Country Profiles page in the *new* Biosafety Clearing-House?

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Not familiar	14
Somewhat familiar	21
Moderately familiar	28
Very familiar	27





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10. How familiar are you with the Help materials available in the *new* Biosafety Clearing-House, such as Tours, Knowledge Base, Contextual Help, etc.?

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Not familiar	22
Somewhat familiar	28
Moderately familiar	30
Very familiar	10





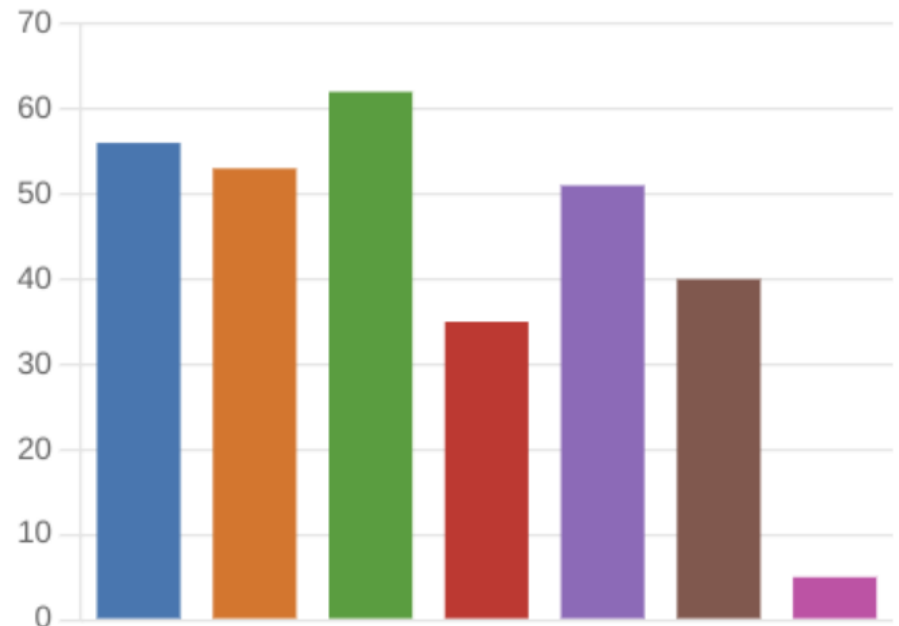
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12. Which topics would you like the future training webinars to address? *(Please provide any additional specific requests in the "Other" field)*

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On-going training webinars

- **Initiation of a webinar series in coordination with the ABS Clearing-House**
 - New and improved search features of the BCH and ABSCH (31 January 2023)
 - Publishing information in the BCH and ABSCH (23 February 2023)
 - Scientific information in the BCH (25 May 2023)
- **Webinars are recorded and made in the clearing-houses in the Knowledge Base**





Next steps for consideration

- **Continue webinar series** in coordination with the other clearing-houses of the Secretariat
- **Build on the Knowledge base:** as new features become available, draft additional articles detailing how these features
- **Short instructional videos** detailing specific clearing-house functionality
 - Can be excerpts from webinars, upcoming UNEP GEF video series
- **Additional onboarding tours** when new pages are created in the clearing-house
- **Committee recommendations?**

