

Information on National CHM [EGYPT]

National CHM	
Web address (URL)	http://www.egyptchm.info/?page_id=71
Title	Egyptian Clearing House mechanism (CHM)
Brief description	The page was updated in 2015 and contains basic information on nature reserves, success stories, strategies, plans of action and national reports
Responsible organization	Nature Conservation Sector (NCS) - Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA)
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Content management system (CMS)	The website was developed by the most famous Content Management System (CMS); WordPress. The newly invented technology "Responsive Web Design" was used in the development process.
Database system	
Search engine	www.google.com
Available human resources for maintenance and development	Nil
Other comments	

Other national websites on biodiversity		
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http://www.eeaa.gov.eg/NBD/CHMEgypt	There are two versions of CHM that had already been established and are not working online. The first one is established in 2001 and hosted on the EEAA server addressed http://www.eeaa.gov.eg/NBD/CHMEgypt . The other one is developed by BioMAP Project in 2008 and hosted on a third party web hosting company addressed http://www.egyptchm.org/ .	NCS/EEAA
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Major national organizations involved in biodiversity		
Acronym	Full name	Role
EEAA	Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA), Ministry of Environment	The EEAA is the central institution concerned with environmental protection and coordination in Egypt. EEAA's responsibilities include: a) administering to the provision of Laws No. 4 (1994) and 102 (1983); b) setting up of general environmental preservation policies and programs; c) adjusting and drafting environmental legislation; d) preparation of environmental studies, standards, specifications and conditions for the control of environmental pollution, and e) management of the protectorates. The agency has the lead role in the preparation of the National Plan for Environmental Protection, National Oil Spill Contingency Plan, the National Biodiversity Strategy and National Coastal Zone Management Framework Program.

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NCS	Nature Conservation Sector (NCS)	The NCS is the central institution concerned with protected areas management and biodiversity conservation and coordination in Egypt. NCS's responsibilities include: a) administering to the provision of Laws No. 4 (1994) and 102 (1983), and developing national plans for biodiversity conservation and protected areas management and management operation for protected areas and biodiversity in Egypt.

Comments on national situation
No staff for operation and maintenance

Strategic Vision
<p>VISION: The existing Clearing House Mechanism (CHM) for biodiversity to be a new and modern interface on the internet that will act as an effective communication education and public awareness (CEPA) tool for the National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP).</p> <p>OBJECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer search, discover and access information and data about biodiversity. • Obtain up-to-date information about biodiversity and protected areas. • View on-line NCS documents, EEAA documents, and reports, meeting information, resources such as toolkits etc. and other publications. • Find information about EEAA and partner institutions etc. • Link directly to the sites of related EEAA, giving access to information on their activities and resources available online. • Provide comments and feedback.

Roadmap				
Priority	Objective	Activity	Responsible	Requirements
1	Sustain the operation and maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hire staff • Budget for operation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EEAA 	ARR
2	Develop national information system for biodiversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project proposal for donor • Negotiation for fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EEAA and CBD 	ARR
2	GIS-based mapping system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building for NCS staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EEAA and CBD 	ARR

Notes:

- Priority: 1=urgent, 2=high, 3=medium, 4=low; 5=very low
- Objective: challenge, issue, problem to resolve
- Responsible: organization or person in charge
- Requirements: Code + text
 - OK: Can be done with existing resources
 - DR: Decision required
 - CR: Collaboration required
 - ARR: Additional resources required (support, cooperation)

Comments on roadmap

Cooperation opportunities / Type of support needed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CBD provides technical support for capacity building• CBD to have a regional project for strengthening and operation of all the national CHM for the next 3 years• CBD to provide online training courses

Thank you!