

Information on National CHM

KENYA

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National CHM	
Web address (URL)	http://www.nema.go.ke/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=139&Itemid=700
Title	Biodiversity Clearing House
Brief description	The Web CHM is integrated within the NEMA website and provides information on the Kenyan biodiversity status , documents produced related to Biodiversity and web links to the institutions dealing with biodiversity
Responsible organization	National Environment Management Authority is the National Focal Point
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Content management system (CMS)	JUMLA
Database system	MYSQL
Search engine	
Available human resources for maintenance and development	We have only 3 people managing the website
Other comments	Need for more personnel

Other national websites on biodiversity		
Web address (URL) & title	Brief description	Responsible organization
www.museums.or.ke	Biodiversity data collection	National Museums of Kenya
www.kws.org	Wildlife Management	Kenya Wildlife Service
www.naturekenya.org	Information on important bird areas	Nature Kenya
www.kfs.org	Forestry Management	Kenya Forest Service

Major national organizations involved in biodiversity		
Acronym	Full name	Role
NEMA	National Environment Management Authority	Coordination of Policies related to Environment
NMK	National Museums of Kenya	Research, data collection
KARI	Kenya Agricultural Research Institute	Research in alien species
KEFRI	Kenya Forestry Research Institute	Research in Forestry
KFS	Kenya Forest Service	Forest Management
KIPI	Kenya Industrial Property Institute	Access and Benefit sharing, patenting
KIPPRA	Kenya Institute of Public Policy Research and analysis(Research on Policies related to Biodiversity
KNCP	. Kenya National Cleaner Production	Technology transfer
KWS	. Kenya Wildlife Service	Management of Wildlife
UON	University of Nairobi	Research and Training on Natural Resources
EU	Eger ton University	Research and Training on Natural Resources
JKUT	Jomo Kenya University of Agriculture and Technology	Research and Training in Agro biodiversity
	Ministry of Environment, Water and Natural Resources	CBD focal point
	Department of Resource Survey and Remote Sensing (DRSRS)	Data collection on Natural Resources
	Kenya meteorological department	Climate Change and Biodiversity
	Ministry of State for Devolution	Planning for Natural Resources
	Nature Kenya	Advocacy and Conservation of Biodiversity

Comments on national situation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of specialized human skills. • Data sharing is limited. Information is power • Inadequate ICT infrastructure, including lack of GIS facilities in most national institutions and poor maintenance of existing ICT facilities. • Lack of policies and standards on information management. In particular, lack of information and data exchange policy at both institutional and national levels. • The marine biodiversity is not well studied (thus limited content). • Lack of awareness about CHM • Currently there is a project assisting NEMA to establish an enhanced regulatory and information systems for Integrated Implementation of Multilateral Environment Agreements (UNEP GEF Project). These project will build capacity of the CHM with new look more interactive website

Strategic Vision
To have a well functioning CHM in Kenya with all the stakeholders playing a role

Roadmap				
Priority	Objective	Activity	Responsible	Requirements
1	To build awareness of all the stakeholders on the importance of CHM	Conduct country wide awareness Workshops on the importance of CHM to Universities Research institutions, NGOs GEF projects, Government departments	NEMA	ARR Finances and Resource persons
2	Establish a Fully operational CHM	Build an Interactive Website with modern features	NEMA	CR
3	Promote sharing of Information	Establish contact persons in the institutions	NEMA	DR

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
The road map to establish the MEAs integrated Information System. Do the capacity building, create awareness and Promote exchange of information

Cooperation opportunities / Type of support needed
I need Support from Belgium to Conduct Workshops awareness on CHM workshops to different stakeholders

Thank you!