# Citizen Rescuers for Collections





# Short name CRESCO

#### Formal name

Citizen Rescuers for Collections

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## Institution/Organisation

Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences / AfricaMuseum

#### Website

https://www.africamuseum.be/en/get\_involved/citizen\_science/CRESCO

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Opening biological collections to all citizen scientists out there

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#### Summar y

The Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences (RBINS) and the Royal Museum for Central Africa (RMCA), want to engage a broad audience in the valorization of the entomology, ornithology and wood biology collections through using virtual crowdsourcing platforms and through physical Citizen Science (CS) investigation actions. A very small percentage of the data in the collections is digitized and accessible. CRESCO will respond to this burning need, in an era of data-driven policies and services. One virtual action (RBINS) and one onsite (RMCA) action will be carried out during the 6-month Accelerator. The data will be published in open access on the online collection database Darwin.

