

**Draft Decision**

**Use of time-specific versions of online-databases as standard nomenclature references**

**Directed to the Secretariat**

The Secretariat shall:

- a) reach out to copyright-holders of relevant online-databases that might serve as standard nomenclature references and explore the possible use of time-specific versions for CITES services; for example, relevant databases include but are not limited to WoRMS, Fish Base, ESCHMEYER& FRICKE's Catalog of Fishes, and Amphibian Species of the World,
- b) report the results of its consultations to the 29th meeting of the Animals Committee.

**Directed to the Animals Committee**

The Animals Committee shall:

- a) evaluate the results of the Secretariat's consultation and
- b) develop recommendations on the use of time-specific online-databases as standard nomenclature references for decision by CoP18.