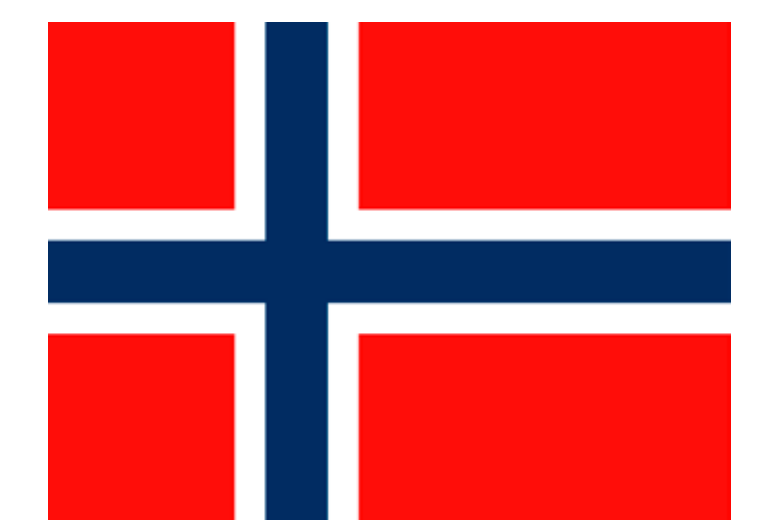


**NORWEGIAN BIODIVERSITY
INFORMATION CENTRE**

The Norwegian Biodiversity Information Centre (NBIC)



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WHO WE ARE

The Norwegian Biodiversity Information Centre (NBIC) is a national organisation created to enhance the science-policy interface. NBIC serves as a science-based centre, independent to existing sector institutions in Norway. NBIC is a national source of information on biodiversity, and the main function is to supply the society with updated and accessible information on Norwegian species and ecosystems.

NBIC is organised under the Ministry of Education and Research and has its own governing board, and is located at and hosted by the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) in Trondheim. 75% of the budget is allocated to buy services from research institutions and NBIC is a typical network organization that cooperates with all major research institutions in Norway. NBIC has a regular staff of 13 employees, basically a combination of biologists and expertise in information technology.

WHAT OUR EXPERIENCE IS

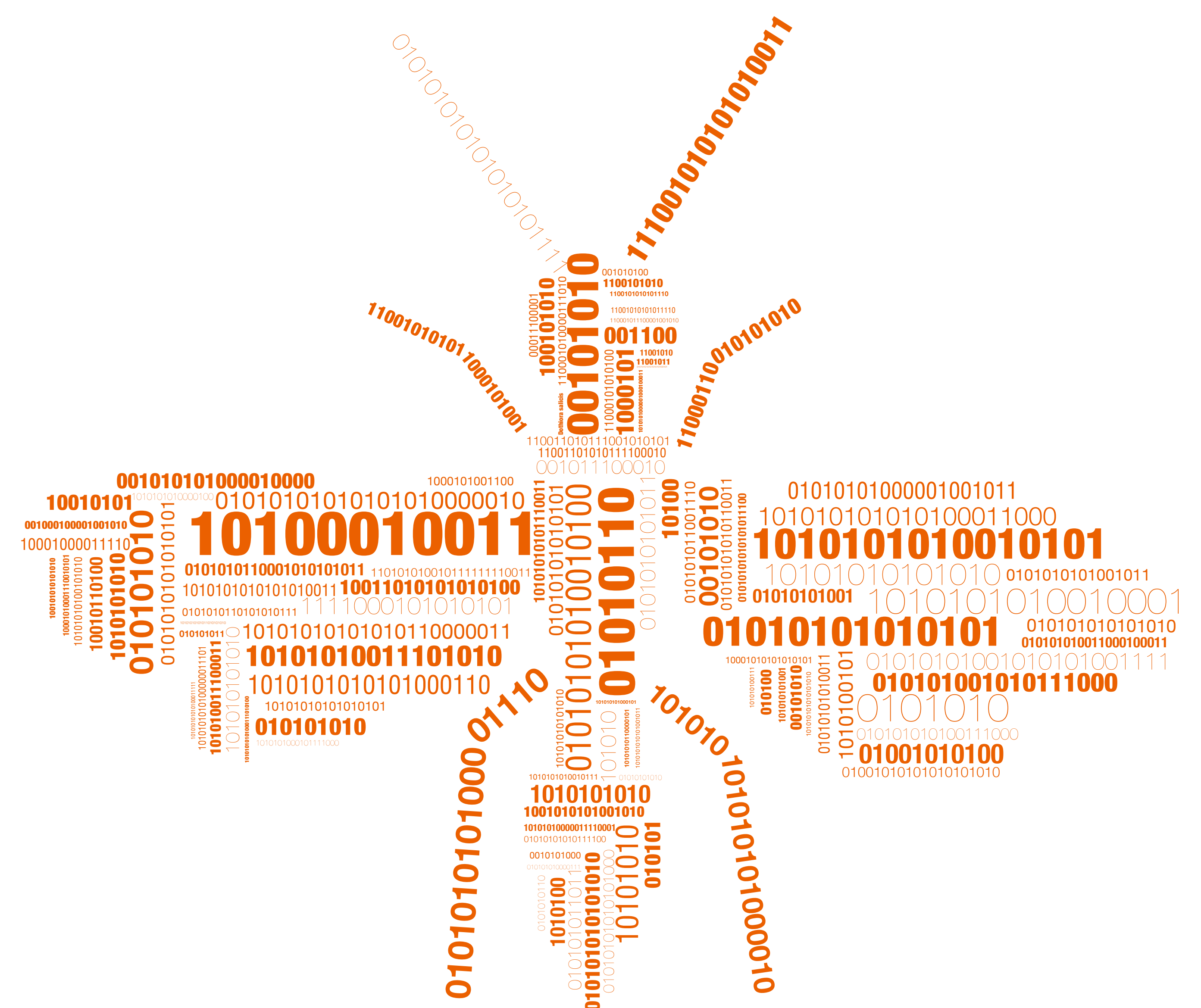
- » Knowledge dissemination through portals and digital tools
- » Infrastructure and standards on biodiversity knowledge: taxonomy, habitat classification
- » Science-based assessments: Red list for species, Red list for ecosystems and habitat types, Invasive alien species
- » Increase knowledge on biodiversity in Norway: Norwegian taxonomy initiative, funding

WHAT WE DO IN EU BON

- » Share experiences and contribute with technology related to the handling and assembly of large volumes of geodata from many sources
- » Preparation and presentation of data for use in a science-policy interface
- » Development of infrastructure and standards for data on species, habitats and ecosystems
- » Contribute in developing tools for dissemination and outreach

IN EU BON WE MAINLY CONTRIBUTE TO

- WP1** Data sources: requirements, gap analysis and data mobilization
- WP2** Data integration and interoperability



WE ARE ALSO INVOLVED IN

- » GBIF
- » Inspire
- » Life Watch
- » EOL
- » IPBES

Arild Lindgaard



- » Leader of NBICs work on habitats and ecosystems and coordinating NBICs international work
- » Experienced in developing databases for habitat classification, development of national expert systems and geographical data and production of Norway's first Red list on habitats and ecosystems

Nils Valland



- » Leader of NBICs work on information technology, dissemination tools and standards
- » Experienced in bioinformatics, geodata and species distribution
- » Participates in European work on standardisation and infrastructure (Inspire, Life Watch)

Ivar Myklebust



- » Director General of the Norwegian Biodiversity Information Centre (NBIC)
- » Experienced in bioinformatics, ecology and governance