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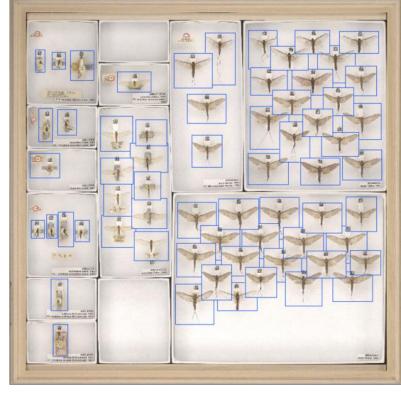
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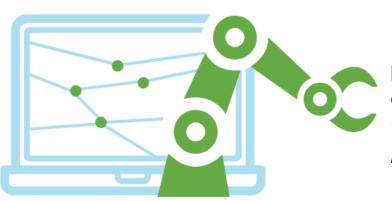
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### WHAT IS ICEDIG?

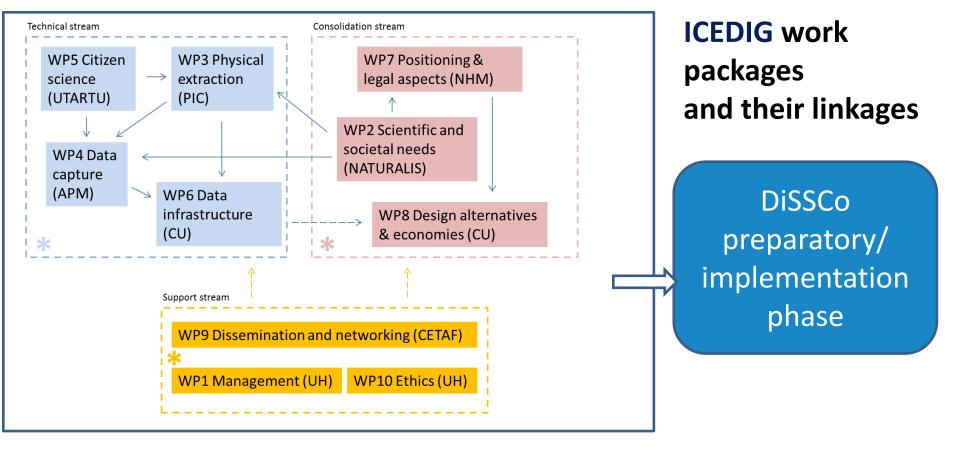
- Premise: Only around 10 % of natural sciences collections have been digitally catalogued and 1-2 % imaged
- Scale and complexity of digitising and providing access → technological, sociocultural, and organisational capacity enhancement required.
- Challenges of efficiently digitising and seamlessly accessing the collections → new research and technological innovation required



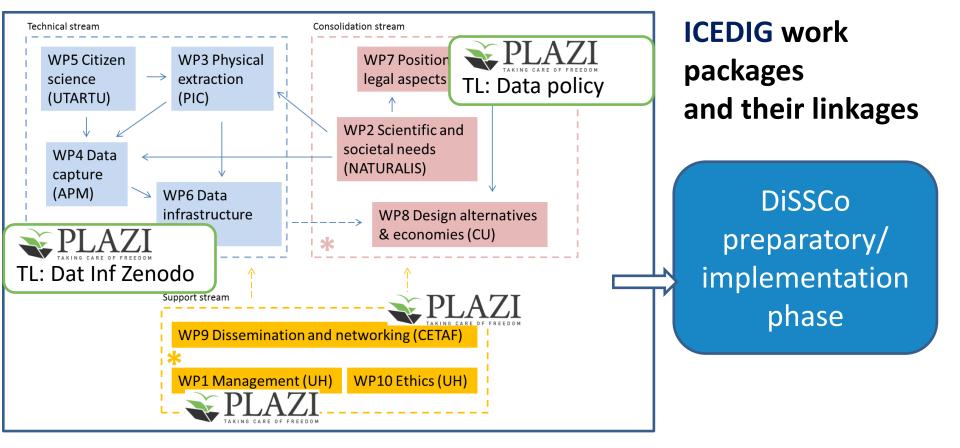
Tray of mayflies (Ephemeroptera) with bounding boxes from the Inselect programme at NHM



ICEDIG will **design** all necessary **technical**, **financial**, **policy and governance** aspects **for** developing and operating **DiSSCo** (*prototypes*, *blueprints*, *novel* workflows, new industry partnerships, and citizen involvement models)



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**Grant Agreement:** Expected for November 2017

**NEXT STEPS:** 

**Publicity material:** logo and website: http://ICEDIG.EU

**ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS** 

**Starting date:** January 2018 (27 months)

**Kick-Off Meeting**: Montpellier, FR (15-16 January 2018)

**Opening Conference**: Helsinki, FI (5-6 March 2018)

For further questions about ICEDIG and DiSSCo

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### Thank you!

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