

# Identifying future issues for the management of biological invasions

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## Page 1: Welcome

The [Alien Futures](#) project is a horizon scanning activity looking to identify issues (environmental, social or technological) that may affect invasive species management into the next 20 to 50 years. We invite people dealing with invasive species or being affected by them to contribute to this process by suggesting issues that they feel are likely to affect the future global and local management of biological invasions. We will then compile these suggestions and invite people to vote for the issues of greatest concern in order to compile a short-list. We will make both the long and short lists freely available on the project webpage to facilitate their use by the community.

The survey consists of two sections. In the first section we ask you to name up to three issues affecting future invasive species management first at the global level and then at your working level. Please think creatively beyond the time frame of your current work. In the second section we ask about your location and work or interest. In total, the survey consists of 15 questions.

At the end of the survey you will be able to print out the survey with all your answers for your record.

If you want to be notified once we start the second phase of the project (voting to create the short list) you can leave your email address. However, we will also announce the next phase through the same communication channels as this first survey.

Many thanks for your participation

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## **Data protection statement**

*All data collected in this survey will be held anonymously and securely. No personal data is asked for or retained. If you leave your email address it will be stored separately from your response at Coventry University and only be used to notify you of the next stage of the survey, after which they will be deleted. Cookies, personal data stored by your Web browser, are not used in this survey. By responding to the questionnaire, your consent to take part in the study is assumed and that you agree to the use of anonymised quotes in publications.*

# Page 2: Future issues for the management of biological invasions

## Future issues at the global level

Please name (in priority order) up to three issues (environmental, social or technological) that you think will be important for the management of biological invasions at the global level over the next 20 to 50 years. These issues could have positive or negative implications.

### 1. Issue 1

Your answer should be no more than 250 characters long.

### 2. Issue 2

Your answer should be no more than 250 characters long.

### 3. Issue 3

Your answer should be no more than 250 characters long.

## Future issues at your working level

Within your role, please name (in priority order) up to three issues (environmental, social or technological) that you think will be important for the management of biological invasions at your working level over the next 20 to 50 years. These issues could have positive or negative implications.

4. Issue 1

Your answer should be no more than 250 characters long.

5. Issue 2

Your answer should be no more than 250 characters long.

6. Issue 3

Your answer should be no more than 250 characters long.

## Page 3: About your work

For our analysis of the topics suggested in this survey it is important to have some basic information on where participants are based and their work and interests. We will use this, for example, to relate issues suggested for the working level of participants to the geographical area they are working in.

7. In which continent is your main knowledge, experience and/or activity with biological invasions based? *Click all that apply.*

- Africa
- Asia
- Australia
- Europe
- North America
- South America
- Antarctica
- Oceanic (non-coastal marine)

8. In which country are you currently based?

9. What is the main scale you are working at or interested in? *Click all that apply.*

- Local
- Regional
- National

- Continental
- Global

**10.** In which habitats are you working or interested in? *Click all that apply.*

- Coastal
- Freshwater
- Islands
- Marine
- Terrestrial
- Other

**10.a.** If you selected Other, please specify:

**11.** In which land use systems do you deal with invasive species? *Click all that apply.*

- Agriculture/Horticulture
- Aquaculture
- Built environment/transport
- Conservation
- Forestry
- Other

**11.a.** If you selected Other, please specify:

12. Which taxonomic groups are you working with (or interested in)? *Click all that apply.*

- Animals
- Fungi and microorganisms
- Plants

13. In which sector are you working?

- Academic
- Interested citizen
- NGO (Non-governmental organisation, not for profit)
- Private (for profit)
- Public
- Other

13.a. If you selected Other, please specify:

14. What is your main interest when dealing with invasive species?

- Communication/Education
- Practical and/or technical management
- Policy making

- Research
- Other

14.a. If you selected Other, please specify:

15. What is the predominant focus of your work or interest within the invasion pathway?

- Prevention
- Early detection/rapid response
- Control and management
- Restoration
- Not Applicable

## Notification for voting on long list

16. If you would like to receive an email notification once we start the voting on the list of topics to create a short list please enter your email address here:

17. If you would like to leave any other comments you can do that here or send us an email ([info@alienfutures.org](mailto:info@alienfutures.org)).





## Page 4: Thank you for taking part in this survey!

For any further information on the Alien Futures project, updates on the survey results and contact details please follow the link below.

<http://alienfutures.org/>

You can also find us on Twitter, @AlienFutures, where we will keep you updated about the progress of this survey. You can contact us by email at [info@alienfutures.org](mailto:info@alienfutures.org).

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