



Role of the Biosafety Clearing-House in Facilitating the Implementation of the Identification and Documentation Requirements

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Introduction

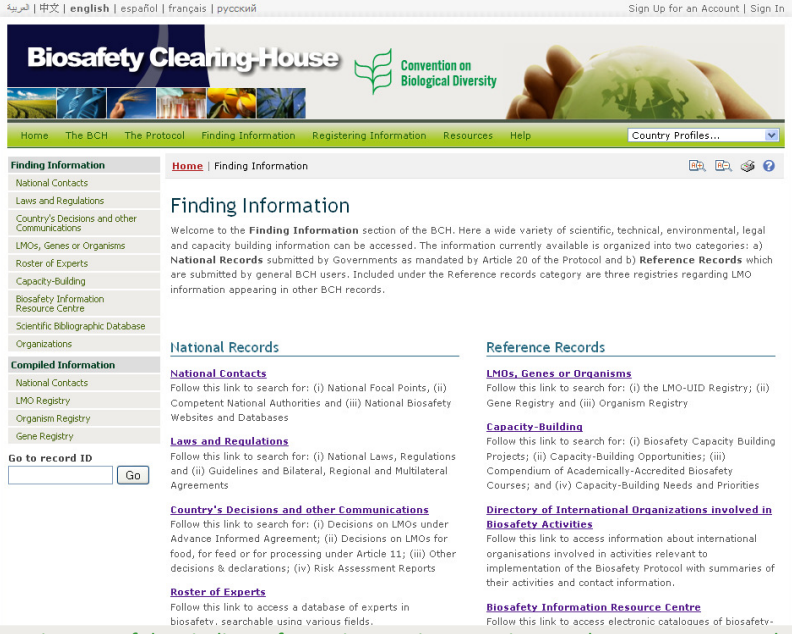
- The Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) is established in Article 20 of the Protocol
- Parties to the Protocol are required to share certain types of information and decisions via the BCH
 - E.g. decisions on LMOs for intentional introduction into the environment; decisions on domestic use of LMOs that may be subject to transboundary movement for direct use as food or feed, or for processing.
- BCH is free and available to everyone
- BCH can be accessed at: <http://bch.cbd.int>

BCH and Customs Officers

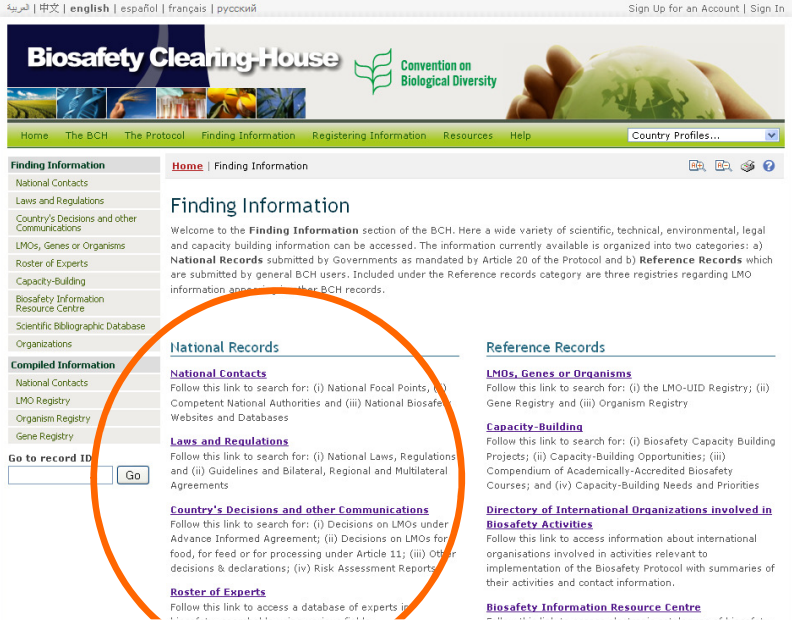
- Most common types of information that customs officers are likely to need to find in the BCH are:
 - Contact information for national authorities
 - National decisions on whether or not the import of specific LMOs is allowed

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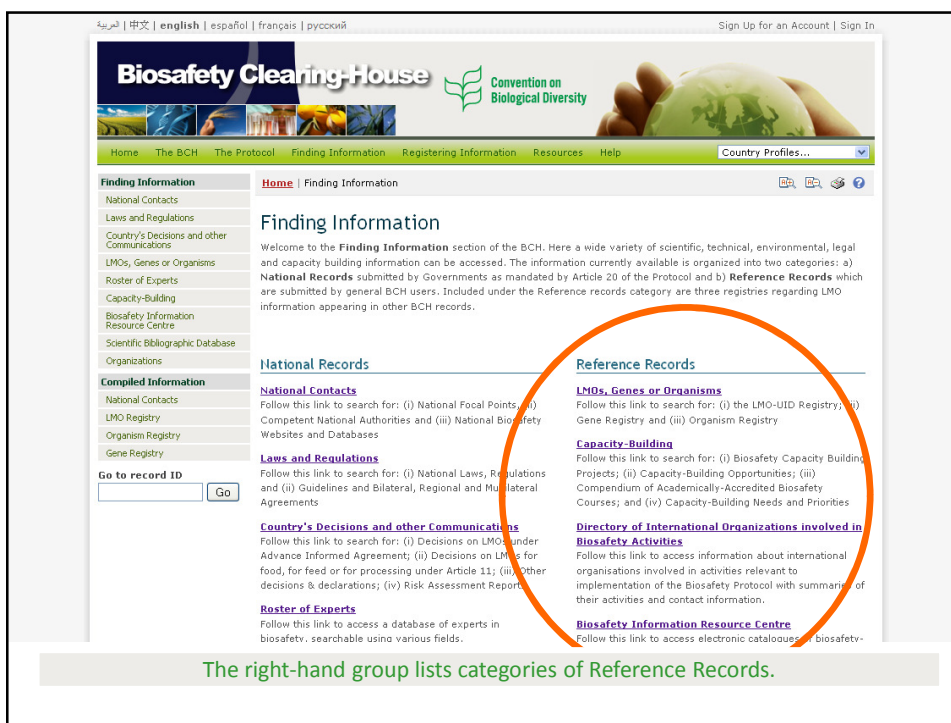
The screenshot shows the homepage of the Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) Central Portal. The header includes the BCH logo and navigation links: Home, The BCH, The Protocol, Finding Information, Registering Information, Resources, Help, and Country Profiles. The main content area is titled "Welcome to the BCH Central Portal" and provides a brief description of the BCH's purpose. Below this, there are sections for "Latest news" and "Latest Additions", each with a list of recent updates. A sidebar on the right contains links to a "BCH User Survey", a "BCH Tutorial on Registering Information", and "NEW RELEASES". The footer includes contact information, a site map, and logos for UNEP and SCBD.



The main page of the Finding Information section contains a welcome message and a list of the information available which is divided into two groups.



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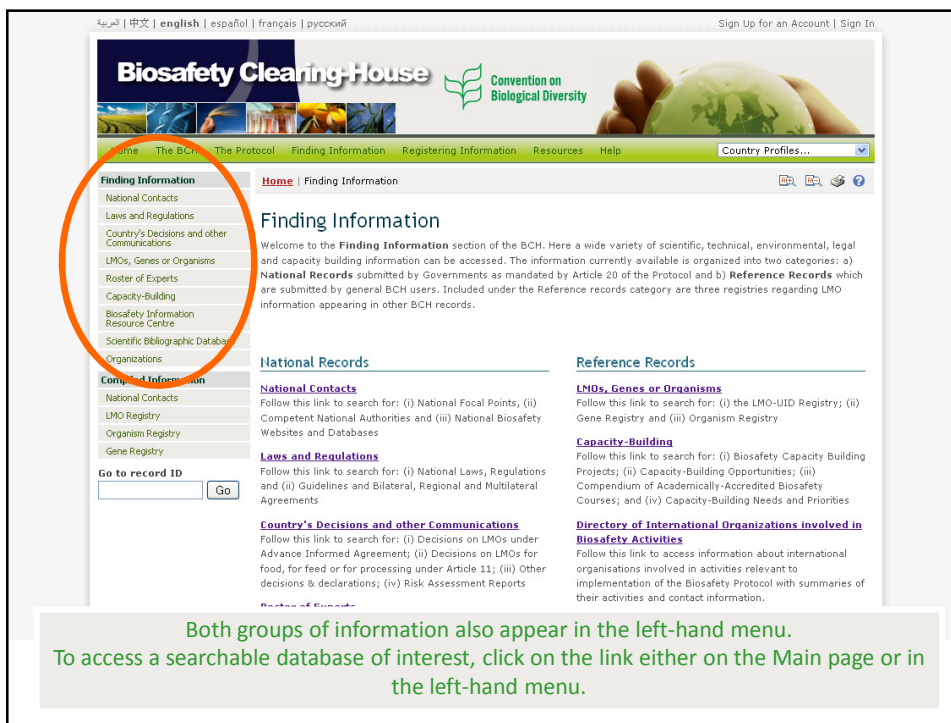


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Reference Records

- LMOs, Genes or Organisms**
Follow this link to search for: (i) the LMO-UID Registry; (ii) Gene Registry and (iii) Organism Registry
- Capacity-Building**
Follow this link to search for: (i) Biosafety Capacity Building Projects; (ii) Capacity-Building Opportunities; (iii) Compendium of Academically-Accredited Biosafety Courses; and (iv) Capacity-Building Needs and Priorities
- Directory of International Organizations involved in Biosafety Activities**
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- Biosafety Information Resource Centre**
Follow this link to access electronic catalogues of biosafety-

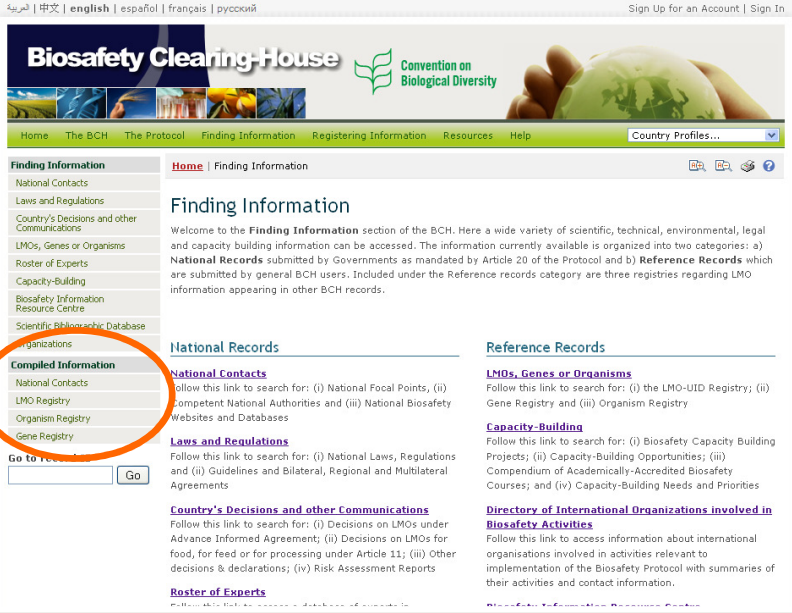
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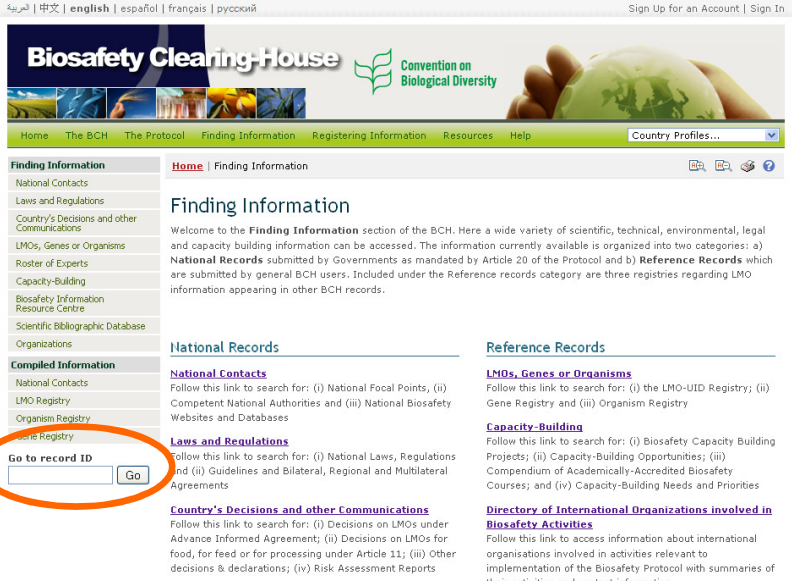
Both groups of information also appear in the left-hand menu.

To access a searchable database of interest, click on the link either on the Main page or in the left-hand menu.



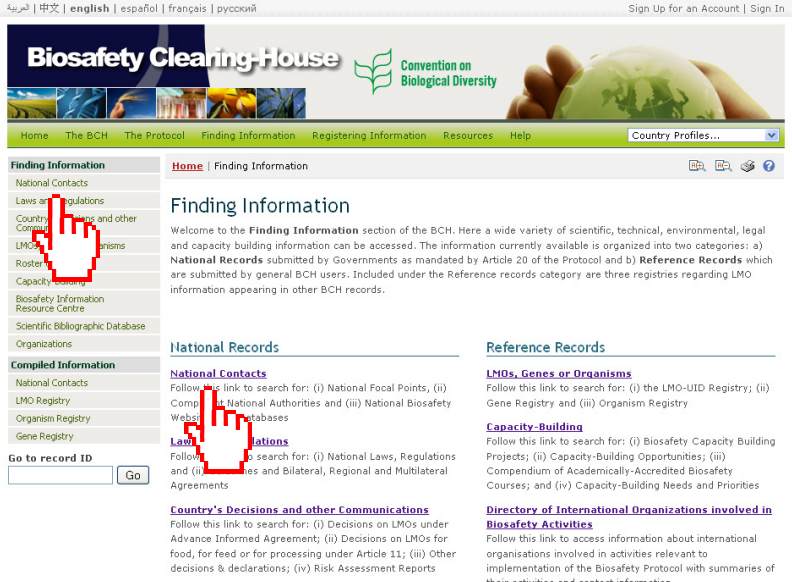
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By clicking on a category of information underneath the Compiled Information heading, you will access a listing of information rather than a searchable database.



This screenshot shows the same Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) website. The 'Go to record ID' input field in the left sidebar is circled in orange. The main content area remains the same, displaying the 'Finding Information' section with its welcome message and category links.

If you know the ID number of a BCH record, you can directly access it by entering the number here and clicking on the 'Go' button.



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National Records

National Contacts
Follow this link to search for: (i) National Focal Points, (ii) Competent National Authorities and (iii) National Biosafety Websites and Databases

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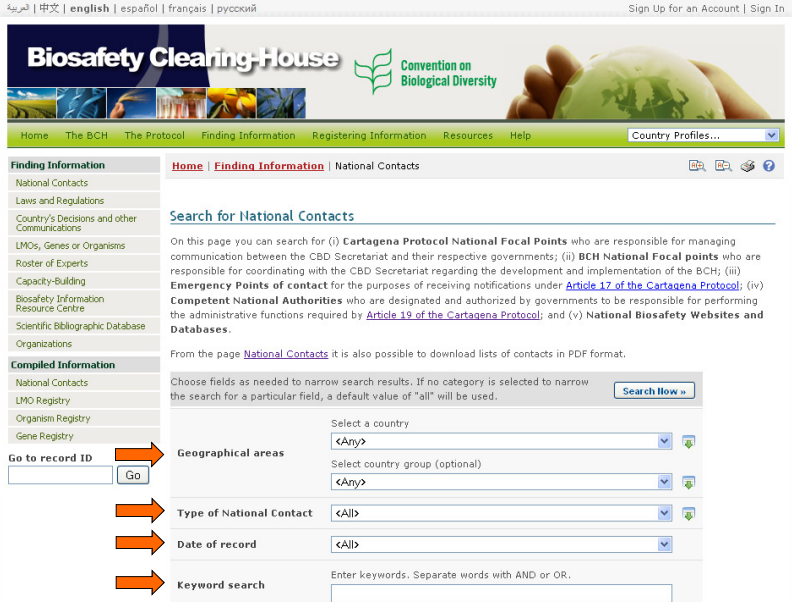
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Directory of International Organizations involved in Biosafety Activities
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If you click on a link, either on the Main page or in the left-hand menu, you will go to the relevant search page.
Let's use the "National Contacts" database as an example.



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Search for National Contacts

On this page you can search for (i) **Cartagena Protocol National Focal Points** who are responsible for managing communication between the CBD Secretariat and their respective governments; (ii) **BCH National Focal points** who are responsible for coordinating with the CBD Secretariat regarding the development and implementation of the BCH; (iii) **Emergency Points of contact** for the purposes of receiving notifications under [Article 12 of the Cartagena Protocol](#); (iv) **Competent National Authorities** who are designated and authorized by governments to be responsible for performing the administrative functions required by [Article 19 of the Cartagena Protocol](#); and (v) **National Biosafety Websites and Databases**.

From the page [National Contacts](#) it is also possible to download lists of contacts in PDF format.

Choose fields as needed to narrow search results. If no category is selected to narrow the search for a particular field, a default value of "all" will be used.

Geographical areas

Select a country

Select country group (optional)

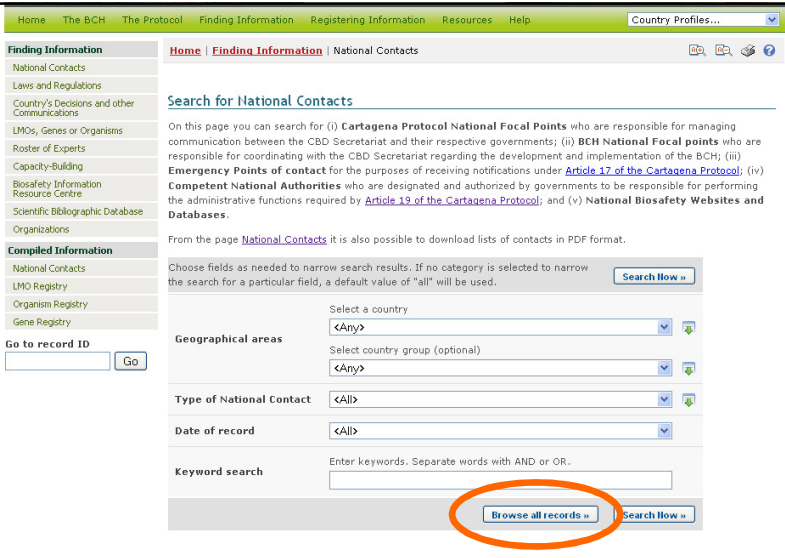
Type of National Contact

Date of record

Keyword search

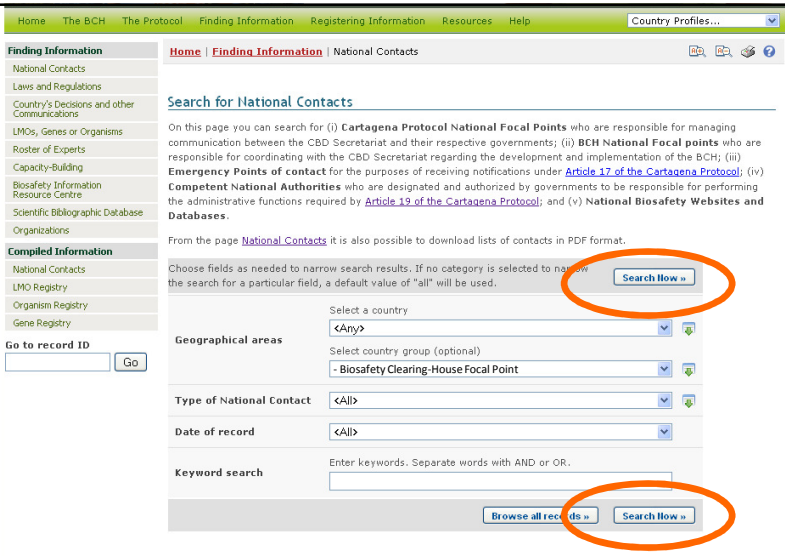
Enter keywords. Separate words with AND or OR.

This page provides some fields to define a search. You may use one or more fields. However, the more fields you use, the more specific the search result will be.



The screenshot shows the 'Search for National Contacts' page. The 'Browse all records' button at the bottom of the search criteria section is circled in orange. The page includes a sidebar with navigation links, a search criteria section with dropdowns for geographical areas, type of contact, and date, and a keyword search field.

If you wish to access all of the records in the database, click on the 'Browse all records' button at the bottom of the search page.



The screenshot shows the 'Search for National Contacts' page. The 'Search now' buttons at the top and bottom of the search criteria section are circled in orange. The page includes a sidebar with navigation links, a search criteria section with dropdowns for geographical areas, type of contact, and date, and a keyword search field.

Otherwise, when you have selected your search criteria, click on one of the "Search now" buttons that appear both at the top and at the bottom of the search page.

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Select a field

Geographical areas

Search by

Type of National Contact

Date of record

Example: Search for Slovenian Competent National Authorities

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Search results

Group records by Results per page

Sort records by [Export results to CSV file](#) [Show on map](#)

4 record(s) found

ID	Description
 Slovenia 8437 Competent National Authority Ministry for the Environment and Spatial Planning (MESP)	
 Slovenia 8439 Competent National Authority Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food (MAFF)	
 Slovenia 8440 Competent National Authority Ministry of Health	
 Slovenia Competent National Authority Ministry of Health of Republic of Slovenia	

Result: four records found

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Competent National Authority

Record information and status

Record ID	8437
Status	Published
Date of creation	2005-04-25 03:40 UTC (daria.stanic@nib.si)
Date of last update	2010-12-06 12:32 UTC (ruth.ruprecht@gov.si)
Owner	daria.stanic@nib.si

General information

Country

- Slovenia

Name of the Competent National Authority

Ministry for the Environment and Spatial Planning (MESP)

Record details

Record details (cont.)

Coordinates

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Ministry for the Environment and Spatial Planning (MESP)

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Ljubljana, 1000
Slovenia, SI-1000

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Fax: +386 1 4787 420
Email: ruth.ruprecht@gov.si

Regulatory function

Administrative functions

- Contained use
- Handling, transport, packaging and identification
- Intentional introduction into the environment (AIA)
- LMOs for direct use as feed
- LMOs for direct use as food
- LMOs for processing
- Public awareness and participation
- Transboundary movement (import/export)
- Liability and Redress
- Placing product on the market


Types of LMOs under its jurisdiction

- All types of organisms


Record details (cont.)

Additional contact information



Contact person

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ID	Description
1 record(s) found	
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Roster
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Searching for countries' decisions on LMOs

Example 1: Searching for decisions by the Ukraine

The screenshot shows the Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) website interface. The main heading is "Search for Country's Decisions and other Communications". Below this, there is a section for "Choose fields as needed to narrow search results". The "Country" dropdown menu is highlighted with a red circle, and a red hand cursor points to it. The "Search" button is highlighted with a red arrow.

The screenshot shows the Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) website interface. The main heading is "Search results". Below this, there is a table with the following structure:

ID	Description
0 record(s) found	

A green box labeled "Search results" is overlaid on the right side of the page.

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Search for Country's Decisions and other Communications

On this page you can search for Decisions and other Communications about: (i) Decisions on LMOs under the **Advance Informed Agreement (AIA)**, which applies to the first intentional transboundary movement of LMOs for intentional introduction into the environment of the Party of import; (ii) Decisions on **LMOs for food, for feed or for processing** under **Article 11** of the Cartagena Protocol regarding the requirement that countries exchange information at an early stage through the BCH; (iii) **Other decisions & declarations**; and (iv) **Risk Assessment Reports** carried out to evaluate the potential adverse effects of LMOs on biodiversity and human health.

Choose fields as needed to narrow search results. If no category is selected to narrow the search for a particular field, a default value of "all" will be used.

Select a country
Lithuania

Geographical areas

Select region
<Any>

Type of decision, declaration, notification or report

<All>
 Decision on Contained use of LMOs (Article 6.2)
 Decision on LMOs for food, for feed or for processing (Article 11)
 Decision on domestic use of an LMO, including its placing on the market
 Decision on import of LMOs
 Decision on LMOs for intentional introduction into the environment (Article 9)
 Decision taken in accordance with the Advance Informed Agreement (AIA)
 Decision taken in accordance with your domestic regulatory framework
 Please use Control-key to select multiple values

Type of living modified organisms

<All>

Date of record

<All>

Keyword search

Enter keywords. Separate words with AND or OR.

Example 2: Searching for decisions by Lithuania

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Search results

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Sort records by

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80 record(s) found

ID	Description
7737	<p>European Union</p> <p>Approval of the import/use of the LMO(s) without conditions</p> <p>ACS-BN001-4 Turnip, Canola plant, Canola, Rapeseed Altered traits: Fertility restoration Glufosinate tolerance Kanamycin resistance</p>
7742	<p>European Union</p> <p>Approval of the import/use of the LMO(s) without conditions</p> <p>ACS-BN002-5 Turnip, Canola plant, Canola, Rapeseed Altered traits: Fertility restoration Glufosinate tolerance Kanamycin resistance</p>

Result: EU records found.

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Slovakia
Slovenia

Welcome to the BCH Central Portal

The Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) is a mechanism set up by the [Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety](#) to facilitate the exchange of information on Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) and assist the Parties to better comply with their obligations under the Protocol. Global access to a variety of scientific, technical, environmental, legal and capacity building information is provided in all 6 of the UN languages.

BCH account holders can create and manage records in the BCH by signing in through the [Management Centre](#) (Registering Information) section.

Lastest news

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Profile information and status

Country	Slovenia
Date of signature	2000-05-24
Date of ratification	2002-11-20
Date of entry into force	2003-09-11
Profile revision	-
Profile status	Published
Profile last updated on	-

Type of document

Type of document	Number of records	Date of last update
<input type="checkbox"/> Biosafety Expert	0	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Capacity Building Needs and Priorities	0	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Competent National Authority	4	2010-12-06 12:39 UTC
<input type="checkbox"/> Country's Decision or any other Communication	0	-
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<input type="checkbox"/> Report on Assignment	0	-
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<input type="checkbox"/> Reports on Implementation of the Protocol	1	2007-10-15 12:10 UTC
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The Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) is a mechanism set up by the [Cartagena Protocol](#) exchange of information on Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) and assist the Parties to under the Protocol. Global access to a variety of scientific, technical, environmental, is provided in all 6 of the UN languages.

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- [Handling, Transport, Packaging and Identification of Living Modified Organisms \(including the Collaborative Portal for Customs Officers\)](#)

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Workshops on the Identification and Documentation of LMOs

The Biosafety Unit of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity is organizing a number of Training of Trainers' Workshops on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms.

Latest News

- 15-01-2010 - The Biosafety Project of Malaysia is organising a National Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms to be held in Kuala Lumpur, January 25-29.
- 21-12-2009 - The report of the Africa Regional Training of Trainers' Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety is now available in French. Click [here](#) for more.
- 15-12-2009 - The report of the Africa Regional Training of Trainers' Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety is now available in English. Click [here](#) for more. The French version will be available shortly.
- 17-11-2009 - The Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Training of Trainers' Workshop on the Identification and Documentation of Living Modified Organisms under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety will take place in Mexico City, 23-27 November 2009

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