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## What's in a Name? Taxonomy in Crisis

A discussion with Professor Rod Page

at the British Library, 96 Euston Road London NW1 2DB

17 March 2009 | 18.00 – 20.30 | Price Free (booking required)

Refreshments will be served

Rod Page is Professor of Taxonomy at Glasgow University. His research interests include informatics, systematics and host-parasite coevolution. He is a leader in the development of web-based tools and phylogenetic software and is an active blogger.

- Why does taxonomy matter?
- Why are taxonomists unhappy, and is it partly their own fault?
- We don't know how many species remain undescribed but does this matter?
- Cybertaxonomy and the 'dance of the initiatives'  
– is more money the answer?
- Mickey mouse and taxonomy – how do we deal with copyright and other obstacles to sharing data?
- Who would want to be a taxonomist in the 21st century?

Join the discussion at <http://network.nature.com/groups/taxonomy>

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