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print.spp  Print methods for objects of class spp_raw*

Description

Print the outputs of a Species+ API call

Usage

```r
## S3 method for class 'spp_raw'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_raw_multi'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_cites_leg'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_cites_leg_multi'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_distr'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_distr_multi'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_eu_leg'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_eu_leg_multi'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp.refs'
print(x, ...)
```
set_token

```r
## S3 method for class 'spp_refs_multi'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'spp_taxon'
print(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

- `x`: An object of class `spp_raw`.
- `...`: ignored.

### Value

The JSON result.

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### Description

Set and forget the authentication token for the current session.

### Usage

```r
set_token(token = NULL)
forget_token()
```

#### Arguments

- `token`: a character string (with quotes) containing your token. If `NULL` then the token can be passed without quotes (not as character string) after a prompt.

### Functions

- `set_token`: set the environment variable `SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN`.
- `forget_token`: forget the environment variable `SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN`.

### References

[https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation](https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation)

### Examples

```
# NB the token below is not working
set_token('8QW6Qgh57s8BG2k0gtt')
# interactively
set_token()
```
spp_cites_legislation  

*Get current CITES appendix listings and reservations.*

**Description**

Retrieve current CITES appendix listings and reservations, CITES quotas, and CITES suspensions for a given taxon concept.

**Usage**

```r
spp_cites_legislation(taxon_id, scope = "current", language = "en",
raw = FALSE, token = NULL, verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **taxon_id**  
  a vector of character strings containing species' taxon concept identifiers (see `spp_taxonconcept()`).
- **scope**  
  vector of character strings indicating the time scope of legislation, values are taken among current, historic and all. Default is current.
- **language**  
  vector of character strings indicating the language for the text of legislation notes, values are taken among en (English), fr (French) and es (Spanish). Default is en.
- **raw**  
  a logical. Should raw data be returned?
- **token**  
  a character string containing the authentication token, see `https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation`. Default is set to NULL and requires the environment variable SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN to be set directly in Renviron. Alternatively, `set_token()` can be used to set SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN for the current session.
- **verbose**  
  a logical. Should extra information be reported on progress?
- **...**  
  Further named parameters, see `httr::GET()`.

**Value**

If `raw` is set to TRUE then an object of class `spp_raw` (or `spp_raw_multi` if `length(taxon_id)>1`) is returned which is essentially a list of lists (see option `as = 'parsed'` in `httr::content()`). Otherwise, an object of class `spp_cites_leg` (or `spp_cites_leg_multi` if `length(taxon_id)>1`) is returned which is a list of three data frames:

1. **cites_listings**: lists CITES annex listings EU suspensions,
2. **cites_quotas**: lists CITES quotas,
3. **cites_suspensions**: lists CITES suspensions.

**References**

`https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation/v1/cites_legislation/index.html`
spp_distributions

Examples

```r
res1 <- spp_cites_legislation(taxon_id = 4521)
res2 <- spp_cites_legislation(taxon_id = c('4521', '3210', '10255'))
res3 <- spp_cites_legislation(taxon_id = 4521, scope = 'all',
   verbose = FALSE, config=httr::verbose())
res4 <- spp_cites_legislation(taxon_id = 4521, language = 'fr')
```

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**spp_distributions**

*Get distributions data available for a given taxon concept.*

**Description**

Retrieve distributions data available for a given taxon concept for which the taxon identifier is known.

**Usage**

```r
spp_distributions(taxon_id, language = "en", raw = FALSE,
   token = NULL, verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `taxon_id` [a vector of character strings containing species’ taxon concept identifiers (see *spp_taxonconcept()*).
- `language` [a vector of character strings indicating the language for the names of distributions, values are taken among `en` (English), `fr` (French) and `es` (Spanish). Default is `en`.
- `raw` [a logical. Should raw data be returned?]
- `token` [a character string containing the authentication token, see *https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation*. Default is set to NULL and requires the environment variable `SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN` to be set directly in `renviron`. Alternatively, `set_token()` can be used to set `SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN` for the current session.]
- `verbose` [a logical. Should extra information be reported on progress?]
- `...` [Further named parameters, see `httr::GET()`.

**Value**

If `raw` is set to TRUE then an object of class `spp_raw` (or `spp_raw_multi` if length(`taxon_id`)>1) is returned which is essentially a list of lists (see option `as = 'parsed'` in `httr::content()`). Otherwise, an object of class `spp_distr` (or `spp_distr_multi` if length(`taxon_id`)>1) is returned which is a list of two data frames:

1. `distributions`: lists distributions for a given taxon concept.
2. `references`: lists the corresponding references. In case `taxon_id` includes several elements
References

https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation/v1/distributions/index.html

Examples

```r
res1 <- spp_distributions(taxon_id = '4521')
res2 <- spp_distributions(taxon_id = c('4521', '3210', '10255'))
res3 <- spp_distributions(taxon_id = '4521', raw = TRUE)
res4 <- spp_distributions(taxon_id = '4521', language = 'fr',
                          verbose = FALSE, config = httr::progress())
```

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`spp_eu_legislation`  
*Get current EU annex listings, SRG opinions, and EU suspensions.*

**Description**

Retrieve current EU annex listings, SRG opinions, and EU suspensions for a given taxon concept (identifier must be known).

**Usage**

```r
spp_eu_legislation(taxon_id, scope = "current", language = "en",
                   raw = FALSE, token = NULL, verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **taxon_id**  
a vector of character strings containing species’ taxon concept identifiers (see `spp_taxonconcept()`).

- **scope**  
vector of character strings indicating the time scope of legislation, values are taken among current, historic and all. Default is set to current.

- **language**  
vector of character strings indicating the language for the text of legislation notes, values are taken among en (English), fr (French) and es (Spanish). Default is en.

- **raw**  
a logical. Should raw data be returned?

- **token**  
a character string containing the authentication token, see [https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation](https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation). Default is set to NULL and requires the environment variable `SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN` to be set directly in Renvirn. Alternatively, `set_token()` can be used to set `SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN` for the current session.

- **verbose**  
a logical. Should extra information be reported on progress?

- ...  
Further named parameters, see `httr::GET()`.
spp_references

Value

If `raw` is set to TRUE then an object of class `spp_raw` (or `spp_raw_multi` if `length(taxon_id)>1`) is returned which is essentially a list of lists (see option as = 'parsed' in `httr::content()`). Otherwise, an object of class `spp_eu_leg` (or `spp_eu_leg_multi` if `length(taxon_id)>1`) is returned which is a list of two data frames:

1. `eu_listings`: lists EU annex listings EU suspensions,
2. `eu_decisions`: lists EU decisions

References

https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation/v1/eu_legislation/index.html

Examples

```r
res1 <- spp_eu_legislation(taxon_id = '4521')
res2 <- spp_eu_legislation(taxon_id = c('4521', '3210', '10255'))
res3 <- spp_eu_legislation(taxon_id = '4521', scope = 'historic')
res4 <- spp_eu_legislation(taxon_id = '4521', scope = 'all', language='fr',
                        verbose = FALSE, config=httr::verbose())
```

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spp_references

Get references for a given taxon concept

Description

Retrieve available references for a given taxon concept.

Usage

```
spp_references(taxon_id, raw = FALSE, token = NULL, verbose = TRUE, ...
```

Arguments

- `taxon_id` a vector of character strings containing species’ taxon concept identifiers (see `spp_taxonconcept()`).
- `raw` a logical. Should raw data be returned?
- `token` a character string containing the authentification token, see https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation. Default is set to NULL and requires the environment variable SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN to be set directly in Renviron. Alternatively, `set_token()` can be used to set SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN for the current session.
- `verbose` a logical. Should extra information be reported on progress?
- `...` Further named parameters, see `httr::GET()`.
Get taxon concepts for a search term.

Retrieve the taxon concept of a specific taxon (scientific name).

Usage

spp_taxonconcept(query_taxon, taxonomy = "CITES", with_descendants = FALSE, language = NULL, updated_since = NULL, per_page = 500, pages = NULL, raw = FALSE, token = NULL, verbose = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

query_taxon          a character string containing the query (e.g. species). Scientific taxa only (max 255 characters).
taxonomy             filter taxon concepts by taxonomy, accepts either 'CITES' or 'CMS' as its value. Default sets to 'CITES'.
with_descendants     a logical. Should the search by name be broadened to include higher taxa?
language             filter languages returned for common names. Value should be a vector of character strings including one or more country codes (two-letters country code ISO 3166-1 alpha-2). Default is set to NULL, showing all available languages.
updated_since  a timestamp. Only entries updated after (and including) this timestamp will be pulled.

per_page  an integer that indicates how many objects are returned per page for paginated responses. Default set to 500 which is the maximum.

pages  a vector of integer that contains page numbers. Default is set to NULL, i.e. all pages are accessed.

raw  a logical. Should raw data be returned?

token  a character string containing the authentication token, see https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation. Default is set to NULL and requires the environment variable SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN to be set directly in Renviron. Alternatively, set_token() can be used to set SPECIESPLUS_TOKEN for the current session.

verbose  a logical. Should extra information be reported on progress?

Further named parameters, see http::GET().

Value

If raw=TRUE, then a object of class spp_raw is returned, which is a list of lists. If raw=FALSE, then an object of class spp_taxon is returned, it is a collection of seven data frames:

1. all_id: general information for all entries, including non-active taxon concepts,
2. general: includes general information for active taxon concepts,
3. higher_taxa: includes taxonomy information,
4. accepted_names: list of accepted names (only for synonyms),
5. common_names: list of common names (only for accepted names),
6. synonyms: list of synonyms (only for accepted names),
7. cites_listing: list of current CITES listings with annotations (missing if taxonomy == 'CMS').

References

https://api.speciesplus.net/documentation/v1/taxon_concepts/index.html

Examples

res1 <- spp_taxonconcept(query_taxon = 'Loxodonta africana')
res2 <- spp_taxonconcept(query_taxon = 'Amazilia versicolor', raw = TRUE)
res3 <- spp_taxonconcept(query_taxon = '', taxonomy = 'CMS', pages = c(1, 3),
  language = 'EN', verbose = FALSE, config = http::progress())
res4 <- spp_taxonconcept(query_taxon = '', per_page = 20, pages = 44)
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