

**Preface to the Proceedings of the 33<sup>rd</sup> European Congress of Arachnology, Greifswald, Germany, 5.–9. September 2022**

Due to the pandemic, we had to postpone the congress that was supposed to take place in Greifswald during 2020. Unfortunately, 2021 was not much better, but we decided to hold the congress in a virtual format, focusing on junior arachnologists. Finally, this year we came together in Greifswald from Monday 5 to Friday 9 September 2022 and it was wonderful to meet so many of you. The direct exchange is necessary for all of us, but especially for Bachelor, Master and PhD students – they need the opportunity to present their research projects “live”, exchange ideas and build their own networks. The 33<sup>rd</sup> European Congress of Arachnology was attended by 190 arachnologists from 39 countries. 157 participants were present in person, the virtual meeting was followed by 33 arachnologists. Four keynote lectures (Arie van der Meijden; Kesey Fowler-Finn; Elizabeth Jakob; Julien Pétillon), 99 oral contributions and 39 posters were presented, most of which were authored or co-authored by students. The scientific programme was divided into 12 sessions, two symposia (Arachnid Phylogeny; eDNA and Metabarcoding) and a workshop (Illegal Wildlife Trade). In addition, a “Widow spiders at the forefront” symposium was held on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>, before the congress, attended by about 40 arachnologists from all over the world.



Our thanks go to all those who took part in this congress, sponsored students (AraGes; Laudier Histology, ESA) and made it a great meeting in a variety of ways.

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