

## **A historical overview of two international congresses of special interest to heteropterists and a brief report on their latest meetings**

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### **Abstract:**

A brief overview of European Hemiptera Congresses and International Heteropterists' Society Meetings is given.

### **Kurzfassung:**

Es wird ein kurzer Überblick über die europäischen Hemiptera-Kongresse und die Treffen der International Heteropterists' Society gegeben.

Among the offer of entomological congresses and meetings held worldwide, two are of special interest to the European heteropterists: the **European Hemiptera Congresses** and the **International Heteropterists' Society Meetings**, both held in 1998 for the first time.

### **European Hemiptera Congresses**

In 1983 prof. ATHANASIOS (SAKIS) DROSOPOULOS (Athens, GR) organized in Mikrolimni, Greece, the 1<sup>st</sup> "International Congress concerning the Rhynchota fauna of Balkan and adjacent regions" followed by four others organized by himself or by prof. MATIJA GOGALA (Ljubljana, SLO) and held in 1986, 1989, 1992, 1995 in various locations in Greece and Yugoslavia/Slovenia.

Subsequently, considering the wide participation of scholars, DROSOPOULOS and GOGALA decided to start a new series called European Hemiptera Congress (EHC), which is also held (normally) every three years.

Since 1998, when the First EHC took place in the small seaside resort of Amaliapolis, Greece, the Hemiptera congresses were the following:

- 1<sup>st</sup> EHC in Amaliapolis, Greece (07.-11.09.1998),
- 2<sup>nd</sup> EHC in Fiesa, Slovenia (20.-23.06.2001),
- 3<sup>rd</sup> EHC in St. Petersburg, Russia (08.-11.06.2004),
- 4<sup>th</sup> EHC in Ivrea, Italy (10.-14.09.2007),
- 5<sup>th</sup> EHC in Velence, Hungary (31.08.-04.09.2009),
- 6<sup>th</sup> EHC in Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria (25.-29.06.2012),
- 7<sup>th</sup> EHC in Seggau (Graz), Austria (19.-24.07.2015),
- 8<sup>th</sup> EHC in Zawiercie, Poland (24.-29.06.2018); see group photo with list of names.

The next meeting is scheduled for 2021 in Southern Moravia, Czech Republic organized by dr. PETR KMENT, PETR BAŇAŘ and IGOR MALENOVSKY.

You can browse an album of photos taken during the 8<sup>th</sup> EHC at

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/q3iEWfek9BpGNdKc7>

### **International Heteropterists' Society Meetings**

The International Heteropterists' Society, incorporated as a non-profit organization in the city of Washington D.C. (USA) in 1997, held its first meeting in 1998 in New York City when its bylaws was approved by the attending members.

As read on its website, *the broad objectives of the International Heteropterists' Society (IHS) are to promote systematic, biogeographic, and biological studies of Heteroptera and to cultivate cooperative research among heteropterists throughout the world. The Society is organized and operated exclusively for scientific and educational purposes.*

The bylaws of the IHS is available at the following page:

[ihs.myspecies.info/content/international-heteropterists%E2%80%99-society-bylaws](https://ihs.myspecies.info/content/international-heteropterists%E2%80%99-society-bylaws)

while minutes of the meetings are found at:

[ihs.myspecies.info/content/meetings](https://ihs.myspecies.info/content/meetings)  
and information about membership at:  
[ihs.myspecies.info/content/membership-information](https://ihs.myspecies.info/content/membership-information)

The Society holds a meeting every four years and, since its establishment, there have been 6 meetings:

- 1<sup>st</sup> IHS Meeting in New York, USA (14.-18.07.1998),
- 2<sup>nd</sup> IHS Meeting in St. Petersburg, Russia (16.-21.07.2002),
- 3<sup>rd</sup> IHS Meeting in Wageningen, The Netherlands (17.-22.07.2006),
- 4<sup>th</sup> IHS Meeting in Tianjin, China (12.-17.07.2010),
- 5<sup>th</sup> IHS Meeting in Washington D.C., USA (21.-25.07.2014) and
- 6<sup>th</sup> IHS Meeting in La Plata, Argentina (03.-07.12.2018); see group photo with list of names.



Legend for the group photograph of the 8<sup>th</sup> EHC held in Zawiercie, Poland

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|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1: H. DIŃC             | 20: N. KASZYCA            | 39: Ł. DEPA                | 57: M. GRUWELL        |
| 2: E. DEMIREL          | 21: F. MOZAFFARIAN        | 40: A. WYGLEND A           | 58: K. DEN BIEMAN     |
| 3: F. FARACI           | 22: F. LING               | 41: A. NOWIŃSKA            | 59: R. SVATOPLUK      |
| 4: Y. ZHANG            | 23: A. BRYSZ              | 42: M. KALANDYK-           | 60: G. PRODANOVIĆ     |
| 5: E. GUILBERT         | 24: P. WĘGIEREK           | KOŁODZIEJCZYK              | 61: A. TORMA          |
| 6: A. CARAPEZZA        | 25: O. PETROVIC-OBRAĐOVIC | 43: J. DROHOJOWSKA         | 62: A. HELDEN         |
| 7: M. NAVARRO GONZÁLEZ | 26: C. FAVRET             | 44: B. FRANIELCZYK-PIETYRA | 63: S. BUGA           |
| 8: Y.-H. WANG          | 27: F. MADRIGAL HERRERA   | 45: R. DURAK               | 64: G. RAKAUSKIENĖ    |
| 9: P.-P. CHEN          | 28: F. CHÉROT             | 46: D. DMITRIEV            | 65: A. TASZAKOWSKI    |
| 10: P. KMENT           | 29: P. BAŃAŃ              | 47: D. ŚWIERCZEWSKI        | 66: R. RAKAUSKAS      |
| 11: S. LILIYA          | 30: A. STROIŃSKI          | 48: M. WILSON              | 67: M. WALCZAK        |
| 12: M. VAŠIČEK         | 31: E. KONDOROSY          | 49: A. SOULIER-PERKINS     | 68: J. DANILOV        |
| 13: V. GNEZDILOV       | 32: A. RAMSAY             | 50: T. BOURGOIN            | 69: A. STEKOLSHCHIKOV |
| 14: A. HERCZEK         | 33: M. BŘEZÍKOVÁ          | 51: M. WEBB                | 70: E. GANDRABUR      |
| 15: V. TRIVELLONE      | 34: E. HUBER              | 52: X. WANG                | 71: I. MALENOVSKÝ     |
| 16: J. BROŽEK          | 35: D. JERINIĆ-PRODANOVIĆ | 53: W. HOLZINGER           | 72: V. HARTUNG        |
| 17: A. KOCOREK         | 36: J. ŠEAT               | 54: J. SZWEDO              | 73: Ö. ŞENOL          |
| 18: J. CZAJA           | 37: V. HEMALA             | 55: K. WIECZOREK           |                       |
| 19: J. KRAKOWSKA       | 38: M. GOULA              | 56: E. KONDOROSY           |                       |



Legend for the group photograph of the 6<sup>th</sup> IHS Meeting held in La Plata, Argentina

1: R. GARROUSTE	18: T.J. HENRY	35: A. SILVA DA PAULA	52: F.F.F. MOREIRA
2: Y. WU	19: PABLO M. DELLAPÉ	36: E. MINGHETTI	53: A. BOUT
3: Y. ZHAO	20: F. STEFANELLO	37: F.M. BIANCHI	54: J.E. EGER
4: L.N. SANT'ANA	21: G. DELLAPÉ	38: P.K. MASONICK	55: S. BUNDY
5: C.L. RODRIGUES	22: J. GRAZIA	39: B. AUKEMA	56: R.T. SCHUH
6: C. DALE	23: Y. ZHANG	40: V. HARTUNG	57: A.G. WHEELER
7: A. WALLNER	24: Z. YE	41: W.S. HWANG	58: C.F. SCHWERTNER
8: M. CECILIA MELO	25: E.A. JOAQUIM	42: M. FORTHMAN	59: M. ROCA-CUSACHS
9: V. CASTRO-HUERTAS	26: F. CHÉROT	43: R.W. SITES	60: J. KIM
10: W. DA SILVA COSTA	27: T. BAN	44: J.E. MCPHERSON	61: S. ROTH
11: F. FARACI	28: J. ZAHNISR	45: W. BU	62: C. WEIRAUCH
12: A.A. NAMYATOVA	29: J.-C. STREITO	46: F. KONSTANTINOV	63: B. GENEVCUIS
13: H.R. GIL-SANTANA	30: L. OLIVERA	47: M.R. PAIM	64: A. CORREIA
14: D. REYNOSO-VELASCO	31: P.S. VARELA	48: T. POSTLE	65: J. LEAVENGOOD
15: P.L. MITCHELL	32: S.I. MONTEMAYOR	49: T. MORAES	66: J.F. ESQUIVEL
16: R.J. PACKAUSKAS	33: K.L. MENARD	50: R. BRUGNERA	67: R. CARRENHO
17: P. KMENT	34: G. COCHA	51: L.A. CAMPOS	

The next meeting is scheduled for 2022 in Barcelona, Spain organized by prof. MARTA GOULA.

To avoid repeating here information on the main events occurred during the meetings, I refer you to the link of the minutes indicated above.

You can browse an album of photos taken during the 6<sup>th</sup> IHS Meeting at

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/q3iEWfek9BpGNdKc7>

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