10-15 August, 2014, Potsdam, Germany http://www.icd8.org

Dear fellow Dipterists

On behalf of the Council for the International Congresses of Dipterology, the ICD8 Organizing Committee and the Senckenberg Gesellschaft für Naturforschung, I cordially invite you to attend the 8th International Congress of Dipterology in Potsdam, Germany, from 10th to 15th August, 2014.

Organizing Committee

The ICD8 Organizing Committee includes Marion Kotrba (chair), Netta Dorchin and Frank Menzel. The Scientific Committee is headed by Netta Dorchin and includes Daniel Bickel, Martin Hauser, Ashley Kirk-Spriggs and Rudolf Meier. The professional company handling the congress organization is pcma (http://pcma.de/en/).

Important Dates

- Early registration: September 2013 1st February 2014
- Regular registration: until 1st July 2014
- Abstract submission deadline: 1st May 2014

Venue

Located in the heart of Europe, Germany is easily and affordably accessible to many. Due to its long history and scientific tradition, it is a popular destination for tourists in general and for scientists in particular. Among the attractions for entomologists are several world ranking collections that hold thousands of type specimens and other important historic material. The chosen venue combines the comfort of a modern congress center on a scenic lake-shore setting with the beauties of the historic and picturesque town of Potsdam. The bustling capital city of Berlin and two of Germany's largest Diptera collections (Museum für Naturkunde Berlin, Senckenberg Deutsches Entomologisches Institut) are within easy reach.

Sessions

All congress sessions will be held at the Kongresshotel Potsdam. The main congress hall seats 500 and simultaneous sessions will take places in

adjacent rooms, seating 80 and 45-50 persons. Additional rooms will be available if needed. The congress center offers ample areas for exhibitions, posters, and relaxation as well as two restaurants, a bar and several smaller sites for beverages.

Scientific Program

The scientific program will include theme- and taxon-based symposia and poster sessions. We will cover all major aspects of Dipterology including systematics, morphology, physiology, evolution, biodiversity and conservation, ecology, agriculture and forensics.

Suggestions for symposia are welcome. Proposals should include a title, justification, and a list of potential speakers. Please e-mail symposia suggestions to Netta Dorchin at ndorchin@post.tau.ac.il.

Congress Language

The official congress language is English.

Congress Schedule

- August 10 (Sun) Registration, Reception
- August 11 (Mon) Full day Congress
- August 12 (Tue) Full day Congress
- August 13 (Wed) Full day Congress, Congress Dinner
- August 14 (Thu) Full day Congress
- August 15 (Fri) Congress sessions, Closing ceremony

Various tours during and after the congress will be offered to delegates and accompanying persons.

Accommodation

The hotel rooms adjoin the congress center and can accommodate all congress delegates. The current daily rates, including breakfast, are $85 \notin (\text{single})$ and $100 \notin (\text{double})$.

Fees

Full registration fee will be approximately 400 € (350 € early; 200 € student), including the reception, lunch and coffee breaks. The Congress Dinner will be booked and charged separately. The Senckenberg Gesell-schaft für Naturforschung is supporting the Congress with 30,000 €. We are making efforts to recruit additional support from exhibitors and sponsors (please refer to our webpage for further information) and will try to reduce the registration fee and/or offer travel grants for students depending on our success in obtaining additional funds.

Registration of interest

To receive further information about the ICD8 and to assist us in planning ahead for the Congress, please complete and return the form on http://www.icd8.org to Mrs. Sara Werner at sara.werner@pcma.de Postal address:

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A letter of invitation can be obtained by ticking the respective box. It should be understood that such an invitation is only to assist participants in raising travel funds or obtaining a visa and is not a commitment on the part of the organizers to provide financial support.

Please refer to the Congress Website at http://www.icd8.org for further information

Please forward this message to colleagues and to your national biological and entomological societies for further distribution.

Yours sincerely, Marion Kotrba (ICD8 Chair)

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