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Announcement

Euro-American Mammal Congress: Challenges in Holarctic Mammalogy

Santiago de Compostela, Spain, 1998

A joint meeting between the American Society of Mammalogy (ASM) and the Societas Europaea Mammalogica (SEM), will be held in Santiago de Compostela, Spain in 1998.

Technical sessions are tentatively scheduled for 20–24 July. The meeting will be hosted by the Societad Española para el Estudio y Conservación de los Mamíferos (SECEM) and the Universidad de Santiago de Compostela under the sponsorship of the Xunta de Galicia (Autonomous Community Government). The purpose of the meeting is to promote Holarctic Mammalogy and cooperation among North American and European mammalogists; and to foster cooperation among, and the development of Societies of Mammology.

Located in the Northwestern region of Spain known as Galicia, Santiago de Compostela is the final stop on the medieval pilgrimage to the tomb of Saint James. The city is the focal point of a large number of medieval crossroads; these roads have been and remain places of cultural exchange, of encounters and communication among all types of people and ideas across the centuries. It is this intellectual fervour from which was born the University of Santiago de Compostela, which celebrated its 500th anniversary in 1995. This cultural diversity is likewise surrounded by and linked to a very rich biodiversity formed by Marine ecosystems, Atlantic Mountains, and areas with Mediterranean influence; all of these areas are in a good state of conservation.

The first circular describing the meeting in more detail will be mailed in May 1996. To suggest a symposium topic or to receive more information prior to receive the first circular contact Steering Committee co-chairs: Dr. Fernando Palacios, Museo Nacional de Ciencias Naturales, CSIC, Jose Gutierrez Abascal, 2, Madrid 28006 SPAIN; e-mail: Fernan@pinar1.csic.es; FAX (34) 1 564–5 078; or Dr. Luis Ruedas, Museum of Southwestern Biology, Department of Biology, University of New Mexico Albuquerque, NM 87 131–1091 USA, e-mail: Lruedas@sevilleta.unm.edu; FAX (1) 505 277–0304.

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