

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Third call for the International Joint Meeting on Ephemeroptera and Plecoptera 2008

Dear colleagues,

The XII International Conference on Ephemeroptera and the XVI International Symposium on Plecoptera is rapidly approaching. So far more than 100 participants (including 20 accompanying persons) from 30 countries are already registered for the meeting. The deadline for regular registration fees and submission of abstracts ends by of February 28, so there is not much time left! So I cordially invite all colleagues who want to attend the meeting to register soon and submit their abstracts by the end of February.



To do so please visit the conference website at <http://www.jointmeeting08.naturkundemuseum-bw.de> for further instructions. **All participants are also requested to pay their conference fees by the end of February to qualify for the regular conference fees.** Please make also sure to arrange your accommodation soon, the contingents we arranged with some hotels are only reserved until the end of February. There are only a few places left at the International Youth Hostel (4 beds, Feb 1st), but there are still 18 beds available at the International student hostel (Feb 1st). Please check the website for an update on availability.

There will be a major update of the conference site in March. All registered participants and those who have subscribed to the conference newsletter will receive a respective notifier by e-mail. Then you will be able to learn more about the specifications to prepare your poster or talk.

**I look forward to meeting you in Stuttgart!**

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The International Society of Plecopterologists have awarded more than US \$3,400 to Tomas Ruginis, Lithuania, Maribet Gamboa, Venezuela, Olga Loskutova, Russia, and Giovany Guevara Cardona, Chile to attend our meeting in Stuttgart. Dr. John Brittain is thanked for his hard work in the evaluation process.

## How to host a conference

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### **Preliminary proposals**

Preliminary proposals to host a conference may be submitted six years prior to the year of the proposed conference, but a final vote on the conference site will not be made until three years prior to the actual conference date.

### **Final proposals**

1. Proposals should be submitted at least one month prior to the conference during which the proposal will be officially presented.
2. A copy of this proposal should be sent to the chair of each committee – International Conference for Ephemeroptera (Michel Sartori, [michel.sartori@vd.ch](mailto:michel.sartori@vd.ch)) and the International Society of Plecopterologists (John Brittain, [j.e.brittain@nhm.uio.no](mailto:j.e.brittain@nhm.uio.no)).
3. Proposal should be submitted by e-mail. This facilitates distribution of the proposal to the members of the two committees.
4. Proposals should contain detailed information regarding plans to host the conference.

## **Ninth North American Plecoptera Symposium at Sagehen Creek Field Station, California June 2009**

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The **Ninth North American Plecoptera Symposium** will be held at the Sagehen Creek Field Station (Sagehen), in the Sierra Nevada of California during the last half of June 2009. This is the site of field collecting during the first NAPS meeting, 26 years ago. Sagehen is in the Tahoe National Forest, on the eastern slope of the northern Sierra Nevada, 20 mi north of Lake Tahoe and 8.4 mi north of Truckee, California. Sagehen Creek runs through the station grounds, and it is **FULL** of stoneflies. This is the site of a long study on stonefly emergence in the mid-late 1960s by Andy Sheldon. Collecting will be allowed in the Sagehen Creek during the off-hours of the meeting, and collecting is good in many nearby areas. One afternoon will be available for individual collecting during the meeting, as done previously.

The field station is currently undergoing renovation so information on housing on the website is generally not reflective of conditions to be available in 2009. For instance, by then all housing will be propane heated. Freezing temperatures have been recorded every day of the year, so be prepared for cold weather. However, most summer days are quite nice and often very warm. Parking is very limited so carpooling is encouraged.

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