

ON THE XVIII INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PLECOPTERA AND THE XIV INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EPHEMEROPTERA

International Conference on Ephemeroptera and Plecoptera



The 2015 Joint Meeting of the XIV International Conference on Ephemeroptera and XVIII International Symposia on Plecoptera will take place in Aberdeen from 31 May - 5 June 2015.

Dear Attendees:

The James Hutton Institute and Buglife are honoured to host the “2015 Joint Meeting of the XIV International Conference on Ephemeroptera and XVIII International Symposia on Plecoptera”, being organized for the first time in Scotland.

Our aim is to offer an exciting meeting, where scientists, experts and students will present their recent work, exchange ideas, make important connections and enjoy social gatherings in the pleasant surroundings of Aberdeen, Royal Deeside and the Cairngorms National Park.

We welcome presentations (oral and poster) on all aspects of Ephemeroptera and Plecoptera research.

Information on the Conference, a Draft Programme and the Registration/Abstract submission form are available on the James Hutton Institute's website:

<http://www.hutton.ac.uk/events/international-conference-ephemeroptera-and-plecoptera>. Early bird registration is open until 20 February. Standard registration closes on the 31st March 2015.

For all additional questions, please do not hesitate to ask!

We look forward to welcoming you to Scotland!

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Dr Ben Price, Natural History Museum, London

Prof. Steve Ormerod, Cardiff University

Dr William Darwall, Freshwater Biodiversity Unit, IUCN Species Programme, Cambridge

Robert Boyle, New York Times

THEMES

Palaeontology

Phylogeny, taxonomy & systematics

Biodiversity and conservation

Ecosystem Services

Aquatic-terrestrial linkages

Behaviour

Ecology

Data sharing

Reproductive biology

Distribution and biogeography

Future adaptation and change

TECHNICAL INFORMATION FOR ORAL AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Time limit - Regular oral presentations will have a total time limit of 20 minutes (including discussion) and it will be strictly enforced. The convenors reserve the right to reduce talk times if sessions are oversubscribed.

PC and data projector - This will be provided for uploading presentations in the main lecture theatre, presenters are strongly encouraged to upload their presentations as soon as possible and at the latest, before 9.30am on the day of their presentation. Technical assistance will be available.

Posters – We would prefer posters as A1 size (594 x 841mm), landscape format. If you intend to bring a poster in any other size/format, please advise the convenors at the earliest opportunity. We would encourage poster presenters to bring additional A4 copies of their poster for distribution to delegates.

Prizes – there will be prizes for both the best student presentation and poster as judged by our panel of experts.

REGISTRATION & ACCOMMODATION

To register for the Conference, book accommodation and/or to submit an abstract, please complete the online form available at <http://www.hutton.ac.uk/events/international-conference-ephemeroptera-and-plecoptera/register-interest>

Payment must be made before 20 February to secure early-bird rates.

The Conference registration desk, where delegates can sign in and collect badge and programme information, will be open from 16.00-18.00 on Sunday 31 May and weekdays (except Wednesday) from 09:00. Every delegate attending the Conference will be issued with an ID badge at the registration desk on arrival. Please make sure that you wear your badge whilst on site and at social events.

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Organizing committee

The organisation and delivery of the Joint Meeting will be overseen by a committee comprised as follows:

Craig Macadam - [Buglife – The Invertebrate Conservation Trust](#) & [Riverfly Recording Schemes](#)
Coordinator

Jenni Stockan - **James Hutton Institute**

Michael Dobson - **Freshwater Biological Association**

Bridget Peacock - **Riverfly Partnership**

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The **International Society of Plecopterologists** awarded US\$4,272 in travel scholarships to the following persons for **XVII INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PLECOPTERA AND THE XIII INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EPHEMEROPTERA** :

Fernanda Avelino Capistrano da Silva, Brazil , **Marcos Carneiro Novaes**, Brazil; **Dávid Murányi**, Hungary; and **Louis Boumans**, Norway .

EUROPEAN PLECOPTERA SYMPOSIUM

Dávid Murányi, Department of Zoology, Hungarian Natural History Museum

We finally made plans to hold the European Plecoptera Symposium between the international symposia for the first time in 20 years. The in-between symposia timing is similar to the North American Plecoptera Symposium schedule. In September of 2014, we had a small symposium in Budapest, in hope that it will be followed by future regular meetings. However, this meeting was not the first European Plecoptera conference. During the first international meeting in 1956 there were only European participants. There were several other events such as the Plecoptera session included in the European Congress of Entomology that provided an opportunity for the gathering of European stonefly workers.

Our symposium was very much a “family” event that took four days; two days were spent in Hungary and two days in Slovakia. The Hungarian Natural History Museum hosted the first two days in Budapest, where one day was available for oral presentations and the next for holding workshops. Section I and the workshops focused on the stonefly distributions and creating user friendly databases. Section II included presentations on stonefly bioacoustics. On the third and fourth days we traveled to Slovakia to visit several gorgeous Carpathian streams, collecting on the first day in Veľká Fatra, and the next day in Tatranský National Park.

The Hungarian portion of the symposium was organized with the assistance of my colleagues Mónika Pozsgai and Kirill Márk Orci, whereas the trip to Slovakia was organized and led by Tomáš Derka, Erik Baláž, Andrea Rúfusová and Matej Žiak. The accompanying photos were kindly provided by Wolfram Graf, Dora Kouvarda, Ignac Sivec and Matej Žiak. We are especially grateful to Ed DeWalt and Sandy Ferguson, for making this European meeting intercontinental!

No decision has been made regarding the location and schedule for the next meeting. We have planned to meet sometime between the Aberdeen, Scotland and Aracruz, Brazil symposia, somewhere in Europe!

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