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25th International Senckenberg Conference



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Welcome from the Chairman of CICD

Dear fellow Dipterists,

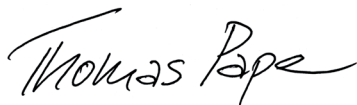
In less than a year's time, we will once again gather at our four-yearly assembly. The 8th International Congress of Dipterology (ICD8) will take place in Potsdam, Germany, from Sunday 10th to Friday 15th of August 2014, and on behalf of the Council for the International Congresses of Dipterology I am cordially encouraging you to attend.

Diptera contain some ten percent of our documented planetary biodiversity, and being one of the most ecologically diverse taxa it is no surprise that Diptera interact or interfere with human activities in numerous ways, either directly or through subtle ecological services. There are plenty of reasons for advancing our knowledge about Diptera, and the International Congresses of Dipterology serve that purpose.

The Congress venue is the beautiful Kongresshotel Potsdam, which is able to accommodate all participants at favorable prices and has all the modern facilities we need for a scientifically and socially vibrant Congress. The Organizing and Scientific Committees are on top of their agendas, and with generous support from the Senckenberg Nature Research Society as well as the German Research Foundation, we have all reasons to expect another outstanding dipterological event.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Potsdam!

Best regards,



Thomas PAPE

Chairman, Council for the International Congresses of Dipterology

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Invitation from the ICD8 Organizing Committee

Dear fellow Dipterists and Entomologists,

On behalf of the Council for the International Congresses of Dipterology and the Senckenberg Nature Research Society that has adopted our Congress as the 25th International Senckenberg Conference, we cordially invite you to attend the 8th International Congress of Dipterology in Potsdam, Germany, on 10–15 August, 2014. Registration is now open. In this circular we provide some information on the ICD8 which will help you plan your attendance. Please visit our website at www.icd8.org for further information.

Our Scientific Committee is doing its best to make this Congress a scientific highlight for colleagues from all over the world, aiming to cover all major aspects of Dipterology, including systematics and taxonomy, morphology, evolution, biodiversity and conservation, ecology, behavior and forensics.

Some special features of this Congress include a panel discussion on the future of Diptera taxonomy and systematics, a large symposium on fossil Diptera, followed by a post-Congress Tour to Gdansk (Poland), the city of amber, and a toast at the Congress Dinner in honor of Johann Wilhelm MEIGEN's 250th birthday. The Congress will also be accompanied by special activities of public outreach. First and foremost, the prize-winning Diptera exhibition "The Fly" (Die Fliegen) will be on display at the Museum of Natural History in Berlin, which invites our delegates for a free visit of the exhibition on the last evening of the Congress. Other activities will include the promotion of a dipteran as insect of the year and a dipteran postal stamp.

We have received generous support from the Senckenberg Nature Research Society, the German Research Foundation, the International Union of Biological Sciences, as well as a number of other sponsors. We continue to seek financial support and will do our best to arrange for travel funds for delegates in need. Please keep checking our "Travel Details" page for announcements in that respect.

We invite all of you to attend the ICD8 and contribute to the scientific program by presenting your research. Come and meet colleagues, get informed, exchange ideas, and have fun!

You can now register and submit your abstracts. Take advantage of the early registration fee by registering before February 1, 2014.

A special invitation goes to the seven Honorary Members of the International Congresses of Dipterology: Roger CROSSKEY, Fan ZI-DE, Nina KRIVOSHEINA, Emilia NARTSHUK, Ev SCHLINGER, Chris THOMPSON, and Monty WOOD. We look forward to meeting you all in Potsdam.

Sincerely yours,



Marion Kotrba (ICD8 Chair)



Netta Dorchin



Frank Menzel

Congress Venue

Address: Kongresshotel Potsdam am Templiner See, Am Luftschiffhafen 1, 14471 Potsdam, Germany



Kongresshotel Potsdam – Welcome on board the “airships”

Like the Zeppelins of yesteryear, the Kongresshotel Potsdam has landed directly on the shores of the Templiner See. Remains of the once famous airship production plant have been converted into a modern and spacious conference center.

Scientific sessions will take place in the Congress Hall that can host up to 500 people, and in two smaller rooms (120 and 90 seats). All rooms are equipped with state-of-the-art conferencing technology. The spacious entrance hall, extensive terraces and lounge areas provide room for poster presentations, exhibitions, conversation and relaxation. Free Wi-Fi is provided throughout the hotel and conference areas.

For travelling to and from the Congress venue, delegates can take advantage of a special rate event-ticket offered by the German Railways (“Deutsche Bahn”) within Germany. For international travel, our official airline alliance offers attractive flight discounts for attendees. Please consult the links to the travel discounts on our “Travel Details” page. Delegates should familiarize themselves with visa requirements well in advance of the Congress. We encourage delegates to apply for their visa at least 3-4 months prior to the ICD8. More information can be found under “Tourist Information” on the Congress website.

Provisional Congress Timetable

Sunday:	Check in, Welcome Reception at Congress venue
Monday:	Opening ceremony, symposia
Tuesday:	Plenary talk, symposia
Wednesday:	Plenary talk, symposia, poster session, Congress Dinner
Thursday:	Plenary talk, symposia
Friday:	Plenary talk, symposia, closing ceremony, visit to the Diptera exhibition at the Museum of Natural History in Berlin

Scientific Program

The following plenary talks and symposia are currently planned for the ICD8. Additional symposia will be added to the program as needed. To contribute to a specific symposium, please contact either the relevant symposium organizer or Netta DORCHIN (ndorchin@post.tau.ac.il), head of the Scientific Committee. Contributed talks are most welcome! You can submit talks on topics that are not represented in the following list or suggest additional symposia. Contributed talks will be allocated to appropriate symposia by the scientific committee.

Plenary talks

Dipteran diversity through a different lens: digital photography and the democratization of dipterology

Steve MARSHALL, University of Guelph, Canada, samarsha@uoguelph.ca

Using genomics, morphology, and behavior to reveal the creative power of sexual selection in Sepsidae

Rudolf MEIER, National University of Singapore, Singapore, meier@nus.edu.sg

Mosquitoes and the prospects for malaria elimination

Maureen COETZEE, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, maureenc@nicd.ac.za

Europe as a frontier in fly diversity research

Thomas PAPE, Natural History Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark, TPape@snm.ku.dk

Banquet Address

When it all began – Johann Wilhelm MEIGEN and the birth of dipterology

Adrian PONT, Oxford University Museum of Natural History, United Kingdom, pont.muscidae@btinternet.com

Symposia

Advances in Neotropical Dipterology

Claudio CARVALHO, Universidade Federal do Paraná, Curitiba, Brazil, cjbcarva@ufpr.br

Márcia COURI, Museu Nacional, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, mcouri@terra.com.br

Marta WOLFF, Universidad de Antioquia, Antioquia, Colombia, mwolff@matematicas.udea.edu.co

Applied Dipterology

Stefan KÜHNE, Institute for Strategies and Technology Assessment, Federal Research Centre for Cultivated Plants, Kleinmachnow, Germany, stefan.kuehne@jki.bund.de

Behavioral ecology

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Bibionomorpha

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Biodiversity surveys

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Biting midges

Doreen WERNER, Institut für Landnutzungssysteme, Müncheberg, Germany, Doreen.Werner@zalf.de

Calypttratae

Daniel WHITMORE, Natural History Museum, London, United Kingdom, D.Whitmore@nhm.ac.uk

Diptera anatomy and morphology

Rolf BEUTEL, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität, Jena, Germany, Rolf.Beutel@uni-jena.de

Diptera biogeography – patterns and processes

Ashley KIRK-SPRIGGS, National Museum, Bloemfontein, South Africa, ashley.kirk-spriggs@nasmus.co.za

Empidoidea

Marc POLLET, Research Institute for Nature and Forest, Brussels, Belgium, mpollet.doli@gmail.com

Evolution and ecology of parasitoid Diptera

John STIREMAN, Wright State University, Dayton, OH, USA, john.stireman@wright.edu

Forensic Dipterology

Jens AMENDT, Institut für Rechtsmedizin, Frankfurt am Main, Germany, amendt@em.uni-frankfurt.de

Martin HALL, Natural History Museum, London, United Kingdom, m.hall@nhm.ac.uk

Fossil Diptera

Dan BICKEL, Australian Museum of Natural History, Sydney, Australia, Dan.Bickel@austmus.gov.au

Christel HOFFEINS, Hamburg, Germany, chw.hoffeins@googlemail.com

Global Dipterology

Torsten DIKOW, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, USA, dikowt@si.edu

Thomas PAPE, Natural History Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark, TPape@snm.ku.dk

Higher phylogeny

Brian WIEGMANN, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, USA, brian_wiegmann@ncsu.edu

Molecular identification of Diptera

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Mark J. BLACKET, La Trobe University, Bundoora, Victoria, Australia, mark.blacket@depi.vic.gov.au

Taxonomy and phylogeny of orthorrhaphous Brachycera

Torsten DIKOW, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, USA, dikowt@si.edu

Psychodidae

Rüdiger WAGNER, Universität Kassel, Germany, Ruediger.Wagner@uni-kassel.de

Sciomyzidae

Mike GORMALLY, National University of Ireland, Galway, Republic of Ireland, mike.gormally@nuigalway.ie

Stalk-eyed flies

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Richard BAKER, American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, USA, baker@amnh.org

Syrphoidea

Ximo MENGUAL, Museum Koenig, Bonn, Germany, X.Mengual@zfmk.de

Tephritoidea

Marc DE MEYER, Royal Museum for Central Africa, Tervuren, Belgium, marc.de.meyer@africamuseum.be

Traps, attractants and collection techniques for dipterans

Andreas ROSE, Biogents AG, Regensburg, Germany, andreas.rose@biogents.com

Panel discussion

The future of Diptera taxonomy and systematics

Chaired by Rudolf MEIER, National University of Singapore, Singapore, meier@nus.edu.sg

Submission of Abstracts, and instructions for speakers and poster exhibitors

Abstracts are required for both oral and poster presentations. They must be submitted online through the Congress website under “Abstract submission”. The deadline for abstract submission is April 17, 2014. Only

registered delegates can submit abstracts. Please consult the “Registration and abstract submission guidelines” on the Congress website.

Presentations will be 15 minutes including time for discussion. A digital file in MS PowerPoint, saved as a ppt or pptx file must be uploaded prior to the last break before the talk at the “Media Check Counter”, where speakers will also be able to preview their presentations. Files must be named with the presenter’s first and last name and date of presentation.

Posters have to be in A0 format (841 × 1189 mm). They must be mounted by the presenters on the corresponding poster boards according to numbers provided by the organizers. All poster boards and mounting materials will be available in the foyer.

Social Events

A Welcome Reception will be held on Sunday, August 10, in the main Congress Hall of the Kongresshotel Potsdam from 6:00 pm to 08.00 pm. The Welcome Reception is included in the registration fee.

The Congress Dinner (not included in the registration fee) will be held at the Royal Estate Krongut Bornstedt (www.krongut-bornstedt.de) on Wednesday, August 13. Tickets are 50.00 € per person and should be booked through the registration form on the Congress website. There will be a short address by Adrian Pont and a toast on the occasion of Johann Wilhelm MEIGEN’s 250th birthday.

On the evening of Friday, August 15, the Natural History Museum in Berlin has extended an invitation to Congress delegates for a free visit of the special Diptera exhibition “The Fly“ (Die Fliegen).

Registration fee

Dates	Delegates	Students *
Until February 1, 2014: Early Registration	350.00 €	200.00 €
Until July 1, 2014: Regular Registration	400.00 €	225.00 €
From July 1, 2014: Late Registration	450.00 €	250.00 €
1-day Congress ticket for Friday, August 15	100.00 €	55.00 €

* Students must ask their supervisor to send an e-mail on a university letterhead confirming their status to sara.werner@pcma.de.

Cancellation fee

Until February 1, 2014	25 % of total amount
Until July 1, 2014	50 % of total amount
From July 2, 2014	100 % of total amount

Registration and payments must be made through the Congress website, which uses a secure link for online payment.

The registration fee covers the following:

Admission to all sessions during the Congress

Lunch and two coffee breaks daily (5 days)

Welcome Reception on Sunday, August 10

Delegate package including printed abstract volume and Congress program

The Congress Dinner is NOT included and should be booked separately.

Accommodation

The Congress venue, Kongresshotel Potsdam am Templiner See, offers 332 single rooms, 92 double rooms, 50 apartments, and 11 junior-suites. Special rates are offered to Congress delegates ranging from 85.00 € to 100.00 € per night (including breakfast). The rooms are equipped with telephone, internet connection, TV, radio, ensuite bathrooms, and a balcony.

The hotel is situated in the western part of Potsdam, directly on the shores of the Templiner See. It is surrounded by the attractive “Pirschheide” forest and lake.

Accommodation at the Kongresshotel Potsdam should be booked directly via the link under “Accommodation” on the Congress website.

For other accommodation options, please check: www.potsdam.de/cms/ziel/26854/EN/. Some low budget/student accommodation options can be found on that page under “Jugendunterkünfte A–Z”.

Accompanying persons

A variety of half-day tours in Berlin and Brandenburg will be offered for accompanying persons by our Congress organizing agency pcma gmbh. For information on tours and prices, please visit the “Accompanying Persons” page on the Congress website.

Post-Congress Tours

The following post-Congress Tours will be offered from August 16 –18, 2014:

Tour 1 – Gdansk (Poland): City of Ustka / Malbork Castle / Museums / Amber markets / 2-night accommodation in Gdansk.

Gdansk, the city of Baltic amber, has cultivated the tradition of amber mining and craftsmanship for centuries. The local masters have developed their own amber processing school and the quality of their work is unrivalled. The city has a variety of amber exhibitions and shops.

The tour includes visits to the Malbork Castle Amber Museum, the Museum of Inclusions in Amber at Gdansk University, and some amber mining or manufacture, as well as free time to visit the St. Dominics Fair at Ulica Mariacka (amber market).

Tour 2 – Thuringia (Germany): Hainich National Park in the “Thiemsburg” area / Thuringian Forest in the “Großer Inselsberg” area / Wartburg / 2-night accommodation in Eisenach.

Hainich is situated in central Germany and is a large wooded area in Thuringia. With a total area of approximately 16,000 hectares, Hainich is the largest continuous area of deciduous woodland in Germany. In 1997, the southern part of Hainich (7,500 hectares) was declared Germany’s 13th National Park.

The tour includes two collecting excursions and cultural activities.

Tour 3 – Saxony (Germany): Saxony Switzerland National Park (Elbe Sandstone Mountains) / Polenztal / Pfaffenstein / Bastei & Königstein / Meißen / 2-night accommodation in Pirna.

The Elbe Sandstone Mountains represent one of the most spectacular hiking and scenic regions in Europe. Around 1,200 kilometers of designated hiking trails extend through lush green forests and mystical valleys, over lofty peaks and past complex rock formations to reveal breathtaking, panoramic views at every turn.

The tour includes two collecting excursions, and cultural activities.

For more information on the tours please visit our “Post-Congress Tours” page.

Important Dates

Until February 1, 2014	Early registration
April 17, 2014	Abstract submission deadline
Until July 1, 2014	Regular registration
From July 2, 2014	Late registration

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