

First circular

PLANT POPULATION BIOLOGY: CROSSING BORDERS, NIJMEGEN, 13–15 MAY 2010

An international conference on Plant Population Biology and Ecology

Hosted by the Radboud University Nijmegen and the Netherlands Institute of Ecology

Invitation

We would like to invite you to the 23rd Annual Conference of the working group Plant Population Biology of the Ecological Society of Germany, Switzerland and Austria (GfÖ), this year organized by Dutch ecologists. The PopBio meeting is a medium-sized international meeting that has become an exciting forum for scientific exchange among plant population biologists. This year, it will take place in Nijmegen, the oldest city of the Netherlands. We will offer two and a half days of interesting talks and posters, great keynote speakers, a conference dinner, and an excursion. We particularly encourage Masters and PhD students to attend the meeting, present their work, and become part of the PopBio community.

Scope of the Conference

The scope of the 23rd annual PopBio meeting includes all aspects of plant population biology and related disciplines. We are pleased to announce the following keynote speakers:

- Jessica Metcalf (Princeton U)
- Marc Johnson (NC State U)
- Alistair Jump (U Stirling)
- Martijn Bezemer (Netherlands Institute of Ecology)
- Nicole van Dam (Radboud U Nijmegen).

These keynote speakers will present transdisciplinary perspectives that explore novel research directions in plant population biology. We encourage all contributors to show if and how progress in their studies is facilitated by adopting and integrating approaches from other disciplines.

Organizing & Scientific Committee

Eelke Jongejans, Mirka Macel, Philippine Vergeer, Koen Verhoeven

Conference venue and preliminary program

The PopBio2010 meeting will take place in the Huygens Building, Radboud University Nijmegen, Heyendaalseweg 135, 6525 AJ Nijmegen. See our website <http://www.ru.nl/popbio2010/> for directions. All talks will be held in the main lecture hall.

- Conference begins on Thursday, 13 May, first talk at 9 am.
- Talks end on Saturday, 15 May, at 1 pm.
- Conference dinner on Friday, 14 May, in the evening (venue to be specified).
- Optional excursion to the floodplain of the river Waal on Saturday afternoon, 15 May.

Important Dates

- 31 January 2010: Online registration open.
- 31 March 2010: Deadline for abstract submission and early registration (reduced fee!).
- 15 April 2010: Announcement of full program.

Conference Language

The conference language is English.

Call for Talks and Posters

We invite you to submit abstracts for oral and poster contributions. We especially encourage talks by Masters and PhD students. Talks will have slots of 15-20 min. The deadline for abstract submission is 31 March 2010. Abstracts for talks or posters can be submitted from 31 January 2010 via the conference website <http://www.ru.nl/popbio2010/>.

Registration & payment

Electronic registration, abstract submission and payment will be via the conference website.

Excursions and Guided Tours

On Saturday, 15 May, we will offer an afternoon excursion to the nearby floodplains of the river Waal. Suggestions for excursions on Sunday 16 May will be made on the website and at the meeting. Message boards will facilitate participants who want to do joint excursions on Sunday.

Conference contact:

If you have questions, please write an email to E.Jongejans@science.ru.nl

Accommodation

We are looking into affordable accommodation in and near Nijmegen. Please check our website <http://www.ru.nl/popbio2010/accommodations/> for suggestions. We will continue to update the accommodation list.

Second circular

The second circular with further information will be sent by email in January 2010.

We hope to welcome you in Nijmegen!