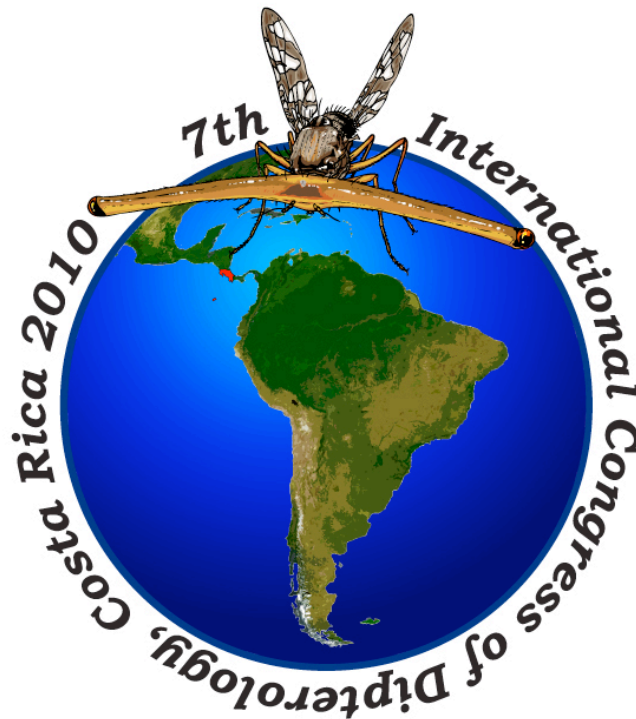


7th International Congress of Dipterology
San José, Costa Rica
8-13 August 2010

1st Announcement



Neotropical Biodiversity

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WELCOME MESSAGES

Welcome from the Chairman of CICD:

Dear Fellow Dipterists:

On behalf of the Council for the International Congresses of Dipterology I wish to warmly encourage you to attend the 7th International Congress of Dipterology (ICD7) that will take place in San José, Costa Rica from Sunday 8th to Friday 13th of August 2010.

Being the first Congress in Latin America, this Congress will be of special significance. It will reveal the rapid growth of Dipterology in the region and help accelerate collaboration of Latin American colleagues with their peers elsewhere. The broad range of expertise of the Organizing Committees, chaired by Manuel Zumbado, guarantees that the Congress will provide a balanced overview of scientific and technical advances from all over the world. The Congress venue is an international congress centre that will provide an appropriate and relaxed setting, with up-to-date technical facilities.

ICD7 2010 is less than one year away, when dipterists from all over the world will convene in Costa Rica. I envisage ICD7 to be a great success and look forward to meeting you and your colleagues in San José.

Sincerely yours,

David Yeates
Chairman

Council for the International Congresses of Dipterology

Invitation from ICD7 Organizing Committee Chairman:

Dear fellow Dipterists and Entomologists:

On behalf of the Council of the International Congresses of Dipterology, the Congress Organizing Committee and the Costa Rican Instituto Nacional de Biodiversidad (INBio) we invite you to attend and participate in the 7th International Congress of Dipterology in San José, Costa Rica, from 8 to 13 August, 2010.

This will be the first International Diptera Congress to be held in a tropical megadiverse country. Costa Rica, with only 51,000 square kilometers in area, hosts an estimated 4.5 % of the world's biodiversity in its territory, 25% of which is devoted to protected wildlands (National Parks, Wildlife Refuges, Forest Reserves and Protected Zones). High mountain ranges and volcanoes, mangroves, wetlands, seasonal tropical dry forests, tropical rainforests, cloud forests, and paramo are part of the landscape. The biota of Costa Rica comprises elements from the North American and South American subcontinents, which meet in this recently formed land bridge. All of this explains the rich biodiversity found in this beautiful country, located in Central America, 10 degrees north of the equator with Nicaragua to the north, and Panama to the east as neighboring countries, and between the Caribbean Sea to the northeast and the Pacific Ocean to the southwest.

All major fields of Dipterology, from systematics and taxonomy, ecology and behavior, morphology and physiology, to vector control and agriculture, Databases and collections, biodiversity and conservation, forensics and therapeutic Diptera, developmental biology, genetics and functional genomics will be covered by the program, which includes symposia, taxon-based workshops and forums.

No doubt this will be a great opportunity to share your experiences, become acquainted with the most recent advances and to be part of the growing discipline of Dipterology.

I look forward to meeting you in San José, August 2010.



Manuel A. Zumbado
Chairman, 7th International Congress of Dipterology

Congress Venue

Hotel Ramada Herradura International Conference Center

www.ramadaherradura.com



Located five minutes from San José International Airport and 15 minutes from downtown San José, Hotel Ramada Herradura has everything required for the 7th International Congress of Dipterology.

The hotel itself has 232 rooms, 4 restaurants, a cafeteria, and an extensive International Conference Center, and there are several other large hotels in the immediate neighborhood.

At 1188 m² (13,200 sq. ft), the main salon of the conference center is large enough to seat 1000 people at a banquet or lecture. It can be divided into 5 smaller rooms – the central space, at 577 m² (6400 sq. ft), suitable for plenary sessions, and four smaller lecture rooms, separated by dividers, each with 138 m² (1500 sq. ft) for individual sessions. Nearby are three more lecture rooms, each with 76.5 m² (850 sq. ft), as well as 9 additional rooms, from 50 m² to 400 m², distributed in other parts of the hotel. Two lobbies are located at either end of the center; the entrance is suitable for poster presentation while the other, larger, lobby, with central garden and adjacent kitchen, is large enough to accommodate all the delegates for lunch as well as for coffee breaks.

Scientific Program

Plenary Addresses, Symposia, Workshops, Forums and Poster Sessions comprise the scientific program of the Congress. English will be the official language of the Congress.

As of today five renowned plenary and banquet speakers, twelve symposia organizers and eight workshop organizers have enthusiastically accepted the invitation to participate. Several other colleagues have also been invited in order to build a well-balanced and complete scientific program. If you are considering or willing to lead a workshop or symposium organization, please contact Jeff Skevington at jhskevington@gmail.com

Plenary Addresses

1. Diversification and specialization of phytophagous flies in the neotropics. Dr. Marty Condon. Cornell College, 600 First Street SW, 116A West Science, Mount Vernon, IA, 52314-1098, USA. MCondon@cornellcollege.edu Phone: (319) 895-4154

2. Fossils, biogeography and the evolution of Diptera. Dr. Dalton de Souza Amorim, Universidade de São Paulo, Depto. de Biologia, Faculdade de Filosofia Ciências e Letras de Ribeirão Preto, Av. Bandeirantes 3900 14.040-901 Ribeirão Preto SP, Brasil. dsamorim@usp.br Phone: (16) 3602-3706, Fax: (16) 3602-4886

3. Maggots and mayhem. Prof. M. Lee Goff. Chaminade University, Henry Hall Room 5, 3140 Waialae Ave, Honolulu, HI 96816, USA. lgoff@chaminade.edu Phone: (808) 440-4209

4. Sexual selection on species-specific male genitalia and other contact organs in Diptera. Prof. William G. Eberhard. Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute and Escuela de Biología, Universidad de Costa Rica, Ciudad Universitaria, Costa Rica. william.eberhard@gmail.com Phone: +506 2228-0001 Fax: +506 2228 0001

Banquet Address

What is the host-specificity of caterpillar-eating tachinid flies in a large complex tropical conservation area? Prof. Daniel H. Janzen. University of Pennsylvania, Dept. of Biology, Philadelphia, PA, 19104 USA. djanzen@sas.upenn.edu Phone: (215) 898-5636

Symposia

1. Phylogeography of Invasive Species.

Organizer: Dr. Sonja J. Scheffer. United States Dept. of Agriculture, 10300 Baltimore Avenue, BLDG 005, Rm. 137 BARC-WEST, Beltsville, Maryland, 20705, USA. sonja.scheffer@ars.usda.gov Phone: (301) 504-5317 Fax: (301) 504-6482

2. Higher level phylogeny of flies

Organizer: Prof. Brian M. Wiegmann. North Carolina State University, Box 7613, NCSU, Raleigh, NC, 27695-7613, USA. brian_wiegmann@ncsu.edu Phone: (919) 515-1653 Fax: (919) 515-7746

3. Advances in Afrotropical Dipterology

Organizer: Mr. Ashley H. Kirk-Spriggs. National Museum, P.O. Box 266, Bloemfontein, 9300, South Africa. ashley_kirk-spriggs@nasmus.co.za Phone: +27 (0)51 4479609 Fax: +27 (0)51 4476273

4. Getting Diptera taxonomy up-to-date: New frontiers and the web

Organizers: Dr. Irina Brake. Dept. of Entomology, Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, London SW7 5BD, UK. i.brake@nhm.ac.uk; Dr. Torsten Dikow. Biodiversity Synthesis Center, 1400 South Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL, 60605, USA. torsten@tdvia.de Phone: (312) 665-7586

5. Phylogeny and taxonomy within the "orthorrhaphous" Brachycera

Organizers: Dr. Shaun Winterton. University of Queensland Insect Collection, School of Biological Sciences, St. Lucia, Queensland 4072, Australia. shaun.winterton@uq.edu.au Phone: +61-7-3365-7084 Fax: +61-7-3365-1655; Dr. Torsten Dikow. Biodiversity Synthesis Center, 1400 South Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL, 60605, USA. torsten@tdvia.de Phone: (312) 665-7586; Dr. Martin Hauser, Plant Pest Diagnostics Branch, California Dept. of Food & Agriculture, 3294 Meadowview Road, Sacramento, CA 95832-1448, USA. mhauser@cdfa.ca.gov Phone: (916) 262-1154 Fax: (916) 262-1190

6. Lost and Found: Fossil Flies, Their Lineages and Habits.

Organizer: Dr. Mike Mostovski. Dept. of Natural Sciences, Natal Museum, P. Bag 9070, Pietermaritzburg 3200, South Africa. mmostovski@nmsa.org.za Phone: 27 (0) 33 3410529 Fax: 27 (0) 33 3450561

7. Forensic Diptera

Organizers: Lic. John Vargas. Dept. de Ciencias Forenses, Organismo de Investigación Judicial, República de Costa Rica. jfvargasf@gmail.com Phone: (506) 2267-1037 Fax: (506) 2267-1523; Prof. M. Lee Goff. Chaminade University, Henry Hall Room 5, 3140 Waialae Ave, Honolulu, HI 96816, USA. lgoff@chaminade.edu Phone: (808) 440-4209

8. Biodiversity Survey Projects

Organizer: Dr. Patrick Grootaert. Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences, Vautierstreet 29, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium.

Patrick.Grootaert@naturalsciences.be Phone: 32 (02) 6274 302

9. New paradigms in fly identification

Organizer: Dr. Norman Barr. USDA-APHIS Center for Plant Health Science and Technology, Moore Air Base Bldg. S-6414 22675 N. Moorefield Rd. Edinburg, TX 78541 USA.

Norman.B.Barr@aphis.usda.gov Phone: (956) 580-7206 Fax: (956) 580-7300

Workshops

1. Lower Cyclorrhapha

Organizers: Dr. Gunilla Ståhls. Finnish Museum of Natural History, Entomology Dept., P.O.Box 17 FIN-00014, University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland. gunilla.stahls@helsinki.fi Phone: +358-9-191 28824 Fax: +358-9-191 28843; Dr. Santos Rojo. Instituto Universitario CIBIO, Campus de San Vicente, Universidad de Alicante, E-03690, Alicante, Spain. santos.rojo@ua.es Phone: +34 965 90 3400 x 3281 Fax: +34 96 5903815

2. Sciaroidea (including Cecidomyiidae)

Organizer: Chris Borkent. Dept. of Natural Resource Sciences, McGill University, Macdonald campus, 21,111 Lakeshore Road, Sainte Anne de Bellevue, Quebec, H9X 3V9 Canada. chris.borkent@mail.mcgill.ca Phone: (514) 398-7988 Fax: (514) 398-7990

3. Empidoidea

Organizers: Dr. Scott Brooks. Invertebrate Biodiversity, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, K.W. Neatby Bldg., C.E.F., 960 Carling Ave., Ottawa, ON, K1A 0C6 Canada. scott.brooks@agr.gc.ca Phone: (613) 694-2718 Fax: (613) 759-1927; Dr. Adrian Plant. Dept. of Biodiversity and Systematic Biology, National Museum of Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NP, UK. adrian.plant@museumwales.ac.uk Phone: (029) 2057 3259

4. Calyptratae

Organizer: Dr. Thomas Pape. Entomology Dept., Natural History Museum of Denmark, Universitetsparken 15, Copenhagen Ø DK-2100, Denmark. tpape@snm.ku.dk Phone: +45 3532-1106 Fax: +45 3532 1010

5. Culicomorpha

Organizer: Dr. J. Kevin Moulton. Dept. of Entomology and Plant Pathology, Laboratory of Insect Systematics, Biodiversity, and Evolution, 2505 EJ Chapman Drive, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37996-4560, USA. jmoulton@utk.edu Phone: 865-974-7950 (Office); 865-974-8411 (Lab) Fax: 865-974-4744

Informal Workshops

1. Scratchpad workshop

Organizer: Irina Brake. Dept. of Entomology, Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, London SW7 5BD, UK. i.brake@nhm.ac.uk

Presentations

Presentations will be 15 minutes in length, including time for discussion.

A digital file in MS PowerPoint, ideally saved as **pps** (PowerPoint Show) must be submitted by the presenter to the reception desk before the day of presentation. No other media will be accepted. A Windows computer with Microsoft PowerPoint 2007 installed will be set in each conference room. Speakers will be able to preview their presentation on a computer with the same system in a computer room. Files must be named with the presenter's last name and first initial. E.g. "moraga.m.pps".

A room will be dedicated to the poster session including panels for each presentation.

Preparation of Abstracts

Abstracts for both oral and poster presentations are required. **Deadline for abstract submission is 15 April 2010.** Abstracts must be submitted via e-mail to icd7abstract@inbio.ac.cr. Abstract files should comprise five paragraphs (Title, Authors and Affiliation, Abstract, Keywords, and Session (Symposium or Workshop) Name, as in the example below. Maximum length for abstract text is 300 words. Only text should be included. For oral presentations the presenting author must be designated by underlining his or her name. A template that must be used will be provided on the ICD7 web site (www.icd7.org) by the end of September. Only registered delegates can submit abstracts for both oral and poster presentation.

Social Events

A Welcome Reception will be held on Monday 09 August in the lobby of the Ramada International Conference Center from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The Welcome Reception is included in the conference registration fee.

The Conference Banquet (cost is not included in the registration fee) will be held at INBioParque, Instituto Nacional de Biodiversidad (INBio). Tickets cost US\$50 per person and can be purchased through the registration form in the Congress website.

Registration fees

Dates range	Delegates	Students(*)
Sep 2009-Jan 2010 Early registration	US\$430	US\$250
Feb 2010-Jun 2010 Full registration	US\$480	US\$250
July 2010-Aug 2010 Late registration	US\$530	US\$300

(*) Students must request their supervisors to send an e-mail to icd7info@inbio.ac.cr confirming this status.

All registrations and payment of registration fees should be made on-line through the Congress website www.icd7.org. A secure webpage is set for on-line payments. Major credit cards (Visa & MasterCard) are accepted.

For delegates who do not present papers on-site registration will be available at the reception desk at the Ramada Herradura International Conference Center from 13:00 on 08 August.

Limited funds are available for delegates needing funding support and applications should be sent to the Congress Chairman before 15 February 2009.

Registration fees cover the following:

- Attendance at all conference sessions
- Morning and afternoon coffee breaks and lunches
- Delegate bag and conference abstract book
- Welcome Reception on Monday 09 August

Accommodation

Hotel accommodations of your choice are available in San José, Costa Rica. We have chosen five different hotels. Some are within walking distance of the Congress venue and others 15-20 minutes driving time.

You can book your reservation and pay at a discount price on the Congress website (www.icd7.org).

Accommodation costs range from US\$95 to \$150 per night (see more details on the Congress website). Special rates for early booking are available at www.icd7.org

Accompanying Persons Program and Post Congress tours

The Congress official tour operator, Costa Rica Temptations (CRT) offers a variety of day-tours to museums, volcanoes, and other attractions in the vicinity of San José for accompanying persons. If you want more information on tours and prices, you can find a link on the Congress website and make your reservation directly. There will be a CRT tourist information desk at the Conference Center during the Congress.

Post-Congress tours to the cloud forest of Monteverde and the dry forest of Sector Santa Rosa of Area de Conservación Guanacaste will be organized. More information will be available in the Second Announcement.

Important dates

JAN 31 2010	Deadline for Early Registration
FEB 15 2010	Deadline for receipt of funding support applications
APR 15 2010	Deadline for receipt of abstracts
APR 30 2010	Notification of abstract acceptance
MAY 08 2010	Deadline for cancellation of registration and accommodation with full refund less administrative charge