The Vth International Wildlife Management Congress, 2015, Sapporo



Call for Symposia

A few symposia have already been proposed (see the list below), and additional proposals are invited. Any topics including wildlife management, ecology, conservation, taxonomy and related research fields of biology for wildlife (mammals, birds, fishes, reptiles, amphibians and others) are welcome.

- A symposium is comprised of a series of presentations that address aspects of a single topic.
- One unit of symposia is allocated to a 150-minute time slot. Each session will consist of A MINIMUM OF 4 talks OR A MAXIMUM OF 8 TALKS, with each talk EITHER 15 OR 30 minutes. Each session starts with an introduction and ends with a discussion/conclusion session in the 150-minute slot.
- Two units will be allocated to a symposium THAT REQUIRES ADDITIONAL TIME PROVIDED SUCH JUSTIFICATION IS MADE IN THE PROPOSAL.
- ALL PROPOSALS SHOULD CLEARLY OUTLINE THE COMBINATION OF 15 AND 30 MIN TALKS THAT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE STRUCTURE OF THE SYMPOSIUM.
- Attendance is open to all conference registrants on a walk-in basis.

Don't hesitate to contact the symposium committee <tsaitoh@fsc.hokudai.ac.jp>, if a convener has a question and/or a request.

Responsibilities of Symposium Organizers and Presenters in Symposia

- Organizers are responsible for coordinating with the Program Committee, planning their sessions, selecting instructors/presenters, moderating their sessions, and meeting all deadlines. A final session agenda and a complete presenter list will be due by January 23, 2015.
- Presenters in symposia must submit abstracts (no more than 250 words) by February 19, 2015. (Those abstracts should NOT be submitted via the call for papers; the Presenters will receive separate instructions regarding how to submit their abstracts after January 26, 2015.)
- Presenters in symposia must submit PowerPoint files by July 16, 2015.

Proposal Submission and Requirements

All proposals must be submitted through the online submission site hosted by OASIS, beginning November 3, 2014 and remaining open until January 9, 2015.

The submission process will prompt you for the following information:

Session title

- Organizer(s) names and complete contact information, the submitting organizer will be the contact person.
- Sponsor(s) institution/group sponsoring the session, if appropriate; for example, a TWS working group or the Forestry Agency.
- Statement of purpose
- An abstract describing the session, this will be used to advertise your session (300 word limit).
- Detailed description of the session including a list of proposed presentation titles and the presenters.

If you are interested to organize a symposium, please first contact Tsuyoshi Yoshida (Secretary-General) at iwmc@rakuno.ac.jp. After an initial consultation, a symposium organizer will kindly be asked to submit their proposal via OASIS when it opens.

Proposal Evaluation and Notice of Decision

Proposals will be evaluated on timeliness of the subject, importance to the profession and/or contribution to science, and the overall quality of the written proposal. Symposium organizers will be notified whether their proposals have been accepted or deferred around January 16, 2015 and the abstracts will be required by February 19, 2015.