

Meeting of the *European Council for Conservation of Fungi*

under the auspices of the *European Mycological Association* and the *International Society for Fungal Conservation*, organized and hosted by the *Macedonian Mycological Society* and *Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, Skopje*.

P R O G R A M M E

Registration

The Registration Desk will be open on Sunday 1 October from 18.00 to 20.00, and again on Monday 1 October from 08.00 to 09.00. If you arrive at the Congress outside these times, please find Katerina Rusevska, Secretary of the Organizing Committee, and she will arrange your registration.

Exhibition

Throughout the week, there will be an exhibition of paintings by Kristina Zimbakova entitled *Fungi in Contemporary Art*.

Monday 2 October

Morning

Opening ceremony

09.00-09.30 *Welcome*: Mitko Karadelev, Chair of Organizing Committee.

Welcome: Official Representative, University "St. Cyril and Methodius".

Welcome: Official Representative, Macedonian Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning.

Response of thanks on behalf of participants: David Minter, European Mycological Association President.

Fungal conservation in Europe. Chair: Stephanos Diamandis.

09.30-10.00 Opening address: David Minter, *Fungal conservation: progress*.

10.00-10.20 Wim Ozinga, *Fungal Conservation in the Netherlands, Challenges and Opportunities*.

10.20-10.40 Cvetomir Denchev, *Assessment of threat status of smut fungi*.

10.40-11.00 Izabela Kałucka, *Legal protection of macrofungi in Poland. Current state of the art and dilemmas.*

11.00-11.20 Refreshments.

Fungal conservation in Europe [cont.]. Chair: Claudia Perini.

11.20-11.40 Mitko Karadelev, *Conservation of fungi in Macedonia.*

11.40-12.00 Tine Grebenc, *Molecular diversity of truffles in countries of southeast Europe. How much diversity is hidden there?*

12.00-12.20 Boris Ivančević, *Red list project in Serbia: official fungal red list.*

12.20-12.40 Armin Mešić, *Fungal conservation activities in Croatia, 2006-2017.*

12.40-13.00 Discussion.

13.00-14.00 Lunch.

Afternoon

Fungal conservation in Europe [cont.]. Chair: Katerina Rusevska.

14.00-14.20 Paola Angelini, *Pezizomycotina and their conservation status in Umbria (Italy): an evaluation at regional level.*

14.20-14.40 Rigas Tsiakiris, *Steps forward for a new ministerial proposal for mushroom legislation in Greece: challenges and opportunities.*

14.40-15.00 Hayrūnisa Baş Sermenli, *Morels of Turkey and their conservation.*

15.00-15.20 Tatyana Svetasheva, *Fungal Conservation in Russia: an update.*

15.20-15.40 Refreshments.

Fungal conservation beyond Europe. Chair: Vera Hayova.

15.40-16.00 Yi-Jian Yao, *Red-list assessment for larger fungi in China.*

16.00-16.20 Edward Mwavu, *Macrofungi conservation in Albertine rift forests.*

16.20-16.40 Andrew Ngadin, *Efforts to approach public on fungal conservation in Gunung Gading national park of Sarawak on the island of Borneo.*

16.40-17.00 N.S.K. Harsh, *A preliminary red list of fungi in India.*

17.00-18.00 An introduction to Macedonian wines.

19.00 Dinner.

Tuesday 3 October

Morning

Red listing fungi. Chair: Tatyana Svetasheva.

- 09.00-09.30 Plenary lecture: Anders Dahlberg, *The Global Fungal Red List Initiative*.
- 09.30-11.00 Plenary workshop.
- 11.10-11.30 Refreshments.
- 11.30-13.00 Plenary workshop [continued].
- 13.00-14.00 Lunch.

Afternoon

- 14.00-17.00 Excursion to St Naum Monastery and springs of the Crni Drim River.
- 17.00-19.00 Poster session.
- 19.00 Dinner.

Evening

- 20.30-21.30 ECCF meeting. Su Gonalves (Co-chair) & Vera Hayova (Secretary) will lead discussion about future directions of the *Council*, the conservation wing of the *European Mycological Association*. Please attend and contribute your views about the way forward.

Wednesday 4 October

Morning

Fungal conservation in Europe: specific projects. Chair: Mitko Karadelev.

- 09.00-09.20 Irmgard Krisai-Greilhuber, *Are current environmental programmes adequate for conservation of fungal biodiversity? Exemplary experiences from the protection of oak-dominated woodlands in eastern Austria*.
- 09.20-09.40 Gerhard Kost, *Fungi in nature conservation in Germany*.

- 09.40-10.00 Carolina Girometta, *The return of Fomitopsis officinalis to the Italian Alps: preliminary assessment of strategies for conservation and sustainable use.*
- 10.00-10.20 Sergey Volobuev, *Host preferences and distributional patterns of rare and protected species of aphyllorphoid fungi in the Middle Russian Upland.*
- 10.20-10.40 Claudia Perini, *Soil biota and innovative forest management: a Life Project.*
- 10.40-11.00 Irmgard Krisai-Greilhuber, *Red list of macromycetes of Austria 2016.*
- 11.00-11.20 Refreshments.

Parallel workshops.

These continue Tuesday's workshops, as parallel sessions enabling specialist consideration of fungi covered by three of the IUCN Species Survival Commission's Specialist Groups.

- 11.20-13.00 Anders Dahlberg, *Red-listing larger basidiomycetes.*
- 11.20-13.00 Cvetomir & Teodor Denchev, *Red-listing rusts & smuts.*
- 11.20-13.00 David Minter, *Red-listing non-lichen-forming ascomycetes.*
- 13.00-14.00 Lunch.

Afternoon

Parallel workshops [continued].

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- 16.00-16.30 Refreshments.
- 16.30-20.00 Ohrid sightseeing.

Evening

- 20.00 Gala Dinner in Ohrid.

Thursday 5 October

Morning

- 09.00-14.00 Excursion to Pelister National Park (visiting five-needle molika pine forest - *Pinus peuce*).
- 14.00-15.00 Lunch.

Afternoon

Citizen science, databases and new technology for fungal conservation. Chair: Gerhard Kost.

- 15.00-15.20 Oli Ellingham, *The powdery mildew survey: citizen science for improving fungal identification.*
- 15.20-15.40 Carrie Andrew, *Large-scale meta-databases, a new tool for fungal conservation.*
- 15.40-16.00 Marieka Gryzenhout, *DNA approaches to aid the deficit in fungal biodiversity and conservation in Africa.*
- 16.00-16.20 K.V. Sankaran, *India-UK collaborative ventures creating databases on fungi.*
- 16.20-16.40 Paul Cannon, *Rare or under-recorded? Activities to reduce the Data Deficiency mountain for fungal species in the UK.*
- 16.40-17.00 Conclusions and discussion of future directions, followed by close of formal part of meeting.
- 17.00-19.00 Exhibition of freshly collected fungi.
- 19.00 Dinner.

Friday 6 October

Morning

- 09.00-14.00 Optional excursion to Snake Island Golem Grad on Prespa Lake (dependent on weather conditions).

End of Programme