

# **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 Gonçaves (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 aphyllorphoroid 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].**

- 14.00-16.00 Anders Dahlberg, *Red-listing larger basidiomycetes.*
- 14.00-16.00 Cvetomir & Teodor Denchev, *Red-listing rusts & smuts.*
- 14.00-16.00 David Minter, *Red-listing non-lichen-forming ascomycetes.*
- 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**