## THE 8<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON THE SYSTEMATICS AND ECOLOGY OF MYXOMYCETES



(12 - 15 AUGUST, 2014)

# Second Circular

# New Informations

The 8<sup>th</sup> International Congress on the Systematics and Ecology of Myxomycetes will be held in Jilin Agricultural University, Changchun, China in 2014. It is organized by Jilin Agricultural University. The congress will consist of scientific forum, workshops and poster sessions.

So far academicians from 13 countries including USA, Belgium, France, Russia, Italy, Swiss, Ukraine, Sweden, Mexico, China, Japan, Philippines, and India have registered. Some famous myxomycete scientists will participate, such as H. W. Keller, Uno Eliasson, Indira Kalyanasundaram, M. Schnittler, C. Lado, M. Schnittler, A. M. Fiore-Donno, D. W. de Basanta, Jun Matsumoto, and Arturo Estrada-Torres etc.

The deadline for early-bird registration postponed to 31<sup>th</sup> March, 2014.

Considering some students will participate the congress, the organizing committee of ICSEM8 will provide more grants for students. Except 4 parts of Scientific forum, **Students Oral Presentation Contest** will be organized. Excellent presentations will be selected by evaluation committee.

To impart some art to science and some humanities to art and to explore the colorful world of myxomycetes, a **Photo Exhibition** has been organized, focusing on myxomycetes including two parts macroscopic and microscopic pictures of myxomycetes. Some photographs will be selected from submissions of participants and exhibited during the conference. Some prizes will be provided for the attendees. We sincerely welcome you participate in this exhibition!

## **Registration and Signing in**

The deadline for early-bird registration postponed to  $31^{\text{th}}$  March, 2014. Please download the registration form from <u>www.icsem8.com</u> and send to icsem8@126.com.

All participants need to sign in at the reception desk marked with "*ICSEM8*" in the lobby of the JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE in August 11<sup>st</sup> (9:00-10:00, 13:00-15:00), 2014. Participants who have not registered may finish their registrations at the same desk. Late arrivals can inquire the reception desk or call us directly.

### Note:

Signing in Date: August 11<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

Signing in Location: JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE. Address: Shuangyang Zone, Changchun, Jilin Province, China.

## **General** Outline

11<sup>st</sup> August, 2014—Conference registration; Round Table Discussion; Workshop

12<sup>nd</sup> August, 2014—Opening ceremony; Plenary Address; Keynote speeches; Scientific forum

13<sup>rd</sup> August, 2014—Scientific forum

14th August, 2014—Scientific forum; Congress field trip

15<sup>th</sup> August, 2014—Changchun city visiting

16<sup>th</sup>~18<sup>th</sup> August, 2014—Post-congress excursion (Changbai Mountain visiting and collecting)

## **Plenary Address**

Yu. K. Novozhilov, Yu. A. Morozova (Russia)

Myxomycete diversity and ecology in tropical forests of southern Vietnam: first results and perspectives

## Keynote speeches

**Uno Eliasson** (Sweden) Aspects on generic delimitations in Myxomycetes

**H. W. Keller** (USA) Untitled

**L. Yu** (China) Untitled

## Scientific forum

1. Ecology, biogeography, and biodiversity.

Chairmen: M. Schnittler (Germany) Untitled

**Chen Shuanglin** (China) Myxomycetes from the adjacent area within the tropic of cancer of China

2. Taxonomy and systematics
Chairmen:
Jun Matsumoto (Japan)
Fruiting body Morphology of Physarales
Myxomycetes of urban area: from the findings in Tokyo, Japan

**H. W. Keller** (USA) Untitled

3. Phylogeny and Genetics
Chairmen:
A. M. Fiore-Donno (Germany)
Myxomycetes phylogeny: state of the art, evolutionary perspectives and possible taxonomic changes

**C. Lado** (Spain) Myxotropic Project: Discovering and understanding the Myxomycetes of arid areas of the Neotropics

4. Biology (general topics including development in culture, ultrastructure, physiology, and other related areas)
Chairmen:
D. W. de Basanta (Spain)
Untitled

Wang Qi (China) Biology of myxomycetes

## 5. Myxomycetes formation during the mushroom cultivation

6. Students Oral Presentation Contest

# Call for papers

### **Requires of the abstracts:**

- 1. The electronic version must be prepared in Microsoft Word in Windows format, at least MS word 2003.
- 2. Please write in English, and less than 500 words are required for each abstract.
- 3. The abstract should include title, authors (please mark the speakers), address, text and so on.
- 4. Please mark the topic which belongs to your abstract.

The abstract and full papers should be sent as an attached file by e-mail to icsem8@126.com from  $1^{st}$  March to  $30^{st}$  June 2014.

The full papers will be published in the Chinese fungal journal.

## **Workshops**

### **Identification of slime molds**

Chairman: H. W. Keller (USA)

## **Round Table Discussion**

**Recent Developments on the Phylogenomics of Myxomycetes Chairman: A. M. Fiore-Donno** (Germany)

## **Posters**

Posters should include title, authors and relevant institutions, introduction, materials and methods, results and discussion, and main references.

The poster size should not exceed by  $80 \times 110$  cm (width  $\times$  height).

## **Photo Exhibition**

Main topic: Macroscopic and microscopic pictures of myxomycetes, including taxonomy, ecology, micrograph and ultra micrograph are available.

Shutterbugs can submit their original high quality digital photos including color or greyscle ("black & white"). All submitted files should be sent in NEF or JPG format. Both color and grayscale photos should be prepared at least in 300 dpi, and color photos should be submitted in color (RGB) mode.

Three prize levels will be set up at the end of the Photography Exhibition: one for the First Prize, two for the Second Prize, three for the Third Prize.

Details refer to Instructure on web site: <u>www.icsem8.com</u> or contact to email:

### zhangbofungi@126.com

We sincerely welcome your participation!

### **Tour Programs**

#### **Changchun city Visit**

Changchun, the capital city of Jilin province, is located in northeast China. Several buildings constructed during the beginning of the last century are open to the public. The Imperial Palace of the Manchu State built for the last emperor of China is now a museum. The city is famous for its automobile manufacturing, and the first Red Flag car was made here. We will visit Puppet Manchurian Imperial Palace Museum, Jingyuetan National Forest Park, and some famous sites in Changchun on August 15.

#### Visiting and Collecting in Changbai Mountain

Changbai Mountain is situated in Baishan city and Antu county of Yanbian Korean Autonomous Prefecture in northeast China, bordering the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in the south. As a dormant volcano, Changbai Mountain boasts rare animals, marvelous lakes, amazing hot springs, and forests that stretch to the horizon. Changbai Mountain Foray and Visit will cover the most beautiful part of Changbai Mountain Tianchi or Heavenly Lake and Changbai waterfall, the highest volcanic waterfall in the world. Watching it from far away, the waterfall appears like a white ribbon suspended in midair. As you approach it, you can hear the loud roar and feel the chilliness of the waterfall. After Changbai Mountain Foray and Visit, we will go to Lushuihe Town for foray and visit. Totally, three days (from August 16 to August18) foray and visit is available for delegates and their companions.

### Accommodations

#### JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE

Twin room (containing two single beds): RMB 298/room/day, RMB 150/one single bed/day Single room (containing one double bed): RMB 298/room/day Villa (containing two double beds): RMB 2698 /day Address: Shuangyang Zone, Changchun, China

Tel: +86-431-84777777

Please send your Hotel booking document as an attached file to **icsem8\_hotel@126.com** before 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014.

### **Transport**

We shall arrange **transportation service between the airport or railway station and JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE in August 11**. The arrangement is completely based on the travel information filled in the registration form by participants. An additional e-mail to the conference secretariat (icsem8@126.com) is needed for your arrival and departure information and any special transportation requirement.

If you arrive earlier or later than **August 11**, the following transportation information is useful to you.

#### To reach the JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE

#### Route 1

### **Changchun Longjia International Airport:**

Taxies are also available from the Airport to **JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE**. It takes about 1 hour and costs about RMB 150 (nealy 60 km).

### Route 2

#### **Changchun Railway Station:**

Taxies are available from the Changchun Railway Station to JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE, it takes about 1.5 hour and costs about RMB 200 (nealy 65 km).

### To reach the Jilin Agricultural University

### Route 1

#### **Changchun Longjia International Airport:**

Taxies are available from the Changchun Longjia International Airport to Jilin Agricultural University. It takes about 40 minutes and costs about RMB 100.

### Route 2

#### **Changchun Railway Station:**

**1.** Taxies are available from the Railway Station to Jilin Agricultural University. It takes about 35 minutes and costs about RMB 40.

2. Bus # 115: From the Changchun Railway Station to Jilin Agricultural University.

### **Attention!**

Possible transfer cities in China.

1. Airplane: Beijing Capital International Airport (Beijing city),

Shanghai Pudong International Airport (Shanghai city),

Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport (Guangzhou city).

Please check the detail information to click the following link.

http://english.ctrip.com/flights/#ctm\_ref=nb\_fl\_top

 Train: Beijing railway station (Beijing city), Shenyang railway station and Shenyang North railway station (Shenyang city), Dalian station and Dalian North station (Dalian city).
 Please check the detail information to click the following link. http://english.ctrip.com/trains/#ctm\_ref= nb\_tn\_top

Visa

Participants, who need a visa to enter China, should contact the organizers if they need an official letter of invitation. The invitation letter is available only for those who have registered or submitted the abstracts.

## Weather

The weather is comfortable in August, but a little hot at noon. Temperature varies from  $18 \sim 32^{\circ}$  in Changchun City and  $14 \sim 27^{\circ}$  in Changbai Mountains.

## Insurance

All participants are encouraged to obtain health insurance before coming to China. The congress organizers would not provide insurance to the attendees.

## Deadlines

- 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2014 Early-bird registration
- 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2014 Abstract submission
- 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 Photo exhibition
- 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2014 Hotel reservation

## Instructions for Payment by Bank Transfer

ACCOUNT HOLDER: JILIN PROVINCE YULONGWENQUAN HOLIDAY VILLAGE CO.LTD ACCOUNT NUMBER: 163616855655

BANK NAME: BANK OF CHINA, JILIN BRANCH CHANG CHUN SHUANG YANG SUB-BRANCH, NO.966 SHUANG YANG STREET, CHANG CHUN CITY, CHINA

BANK SWIFT CODE: BKCHCNBJ840

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