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A newsletter for geometrid specialists

FORUM HERBULOT NEWSLETTER

Editorial

This Newsletter is mainly intended to facilitate the early planning for those who plan to attend the **International Congress of Forum Herbulot 2018** in Stuttgart, Germany. Here we give more detailed information on this meeting. Another Newsletter is planned for late 2017 to concretize the plans and give some additional information if required.

Third Invitation to Forum Herbulot X

Hossein Rajaei (Stuttgart, Germany) and Axel Hausmann (Munich, Germany) would like to welcome you to the 10th International Congress of Forum Herbulot, entitled "**Integrative Taxonomy, a multidisciplinary approach to answer complicated taxonomic questions**".

In this congress the attendees have the possibility to present new results from their research on geometrid moths, but also other Lepidoptera if they are in common interest. Additionally we will have much time for discussions and for 'social networking'.

The congress will be closed with attractive sightseeing programs (city of Tübingen, Hohenzollern Castle and Black Forest).

We invited several keynote speakers from around the world.

There are several travel-grants for students. We encourage students to apply.

Date: 11-16 June 2018 (arrival 11 June, departure 16 June, conference 12-14 June, sightseeing programs 14-15 June).

Venue: in the State Museum of Natural History Stuttgart, Germany

More information will be announced in the homepage of Forum Herbulot:

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The Forum Herbulot Newsletter appears regularly two times per year and will be posted on the Forum Herbulot webpage www.herbulot.de.

Old issues can be accessed there. Membership in the Forum Herbulot initiative is free.

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STUTT GART is the capital city and the largest city of German state Baden-Württemberg. The city with over 207.36 km² area and population of over 623,000 is the sixth largest city in Germany, located on the Neckar River. Etymologically the name of Stuttgart rooted from German word *Stuotgarten* means stud farm, as the city was founded in 950 AD by Duke Liudolf of Swabia to breed warhorses. Stuttgart is a major economic center as well as industrial, tourism and publishing hotspot in Germany. Moreover, it is a transport junction, and possesses the sixth-largest airport in Germany. The head-quarter of many companies are located in Stuttgart (e.g. Porsche, Bosch, Mercedes-Benz, Daimler AG, Dinkelacker, etc.). The most important lepidopterological book series “Adalbert Seitz’s the Macrolepidoptera of the world” was published by Alfred Kern Publishers in Stuttgart.



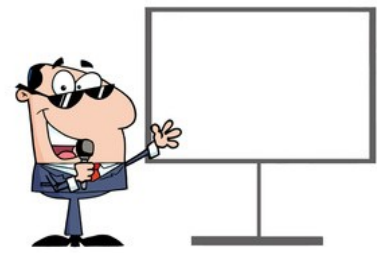
STATE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY STUTT GART (*Staatliches Museum für Naturkunde Stuttgart*) is one of the most important repositories for state-owned natural history collection in Germany. The history of the museum goes back to 1791. A small part of the collection got damaged during the World War-II. The exhibition part of the museum is housed in two building (Museum am Löwentor and Rosenstein Palace, both located in Rosenstein Park), with over 115,000 visitors annually. The museum has four scientific departments and over 20 scientific collections. The Lepidoptera collection, with over 1 Million prepared specimens is one of them.

TRAVEL to Stuttgart is easy. There are different kind of transportation systems, including railway (<http://www.deutschebahn.com/en/start/>), flight (<http://www.stuttgart-airport.com/>), bus (<https://meinfernbus.de/>) and highways. Congress venue (State Museum of Natural History, Stuttgart) located not far from Stuttgart main railway station and is reachable with S-bahn (S-4, 5, 6 and 60, just one stop from the main station).



PRELIMINARY PROGRAM:

11.6.2018	arrival, registration in the afternoon, Ice-breaking
12-14.6.2018	talks (congress closure at noon June 14)
14.6.2018	half day post-congress excursion
15.6.2018	full day post-congress cultural tour
16.6.2018	departure



CONTRIBUTIONS:

1. **Keynotes presentations** (30 to 40 minutes time (M) plus 5 M for discussion)
2. **Usual oral presentations** (10 M plus 5 M for discussion)
3. **Short talks** (3 M). This session will offer the opportunity to introduce project, new findings (e.g. a new species) or any other announcements or cooperation calls. A three-minute poster introduction is mandatory for all poster presenters.
4. **Poster presentations**. The size of the poster should be up to A0 (840x1188 mm).

The best student presentation and poster (BSc, MSc and PhD students) will be awarded.

CONFERENCE FEE. We are trying to have a low price congress to facilitate participation for as many attendees as possible.

Registration fee includes following costs: 1. participation in congress; 2. all congress materials; 3. Ice-breaking; 4. all coffee breaks (twice per day); 5. simple lunch (with few choices per day); 6. congress gala dinner; 7. two post-congress tours; 8. a three days ticket for transport inside the city.

The fee does NOT include the costs for the hotel, dinners and the lunch on Friday. The attendees are responsible for hotel reservation and dinner. There are multiple accommodation possibilities (from hostel to five star hotels) and many restaurants around the museum.



- Early registration (until 31. 03.2018): 250 Euro for early bird registration.
- Late registration (1.-31.4.2018): 340 Euro
- Accompanying person 150 Euro (we will organizing a cultural program for accompanying persons).

There are several **travel-grants** (up to 400 Euro) for students. We encourage the students to apply for these grants (please attach your **CV** and **cover letter** to the registration form), **not later than 31.04.2018.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SENDING ABSTRACTS

THE DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS SUBMISSION: 31.03.2018

Format: should consider the following instructions and should be sent exclusively in Word format (.doc or .docx) to fh-x@smns-bw.de

Language: English.

Font: Times New Roman, Size: 12.

Length: Maximum 450 words (including title, author name and affiliation, keywords).

Text content: Please present an introduction to the problem, methodology, main results and conclusion(s).

Title: in capital letters and bold, italicized scientific names indicating the family in parentheses.

Affiliation: should referring to the name and address of the institution.

Keywords: 3-5 keywords should be alphabetically sorted.

Please: specify the preferred type of presentation (Usual oral/Short-talk/Poster).

Abstracts will be evaluated by an editorial committee, which may suggest – in certain cases – to the authors to change from oral presentation to poster or vice versa.

Instruction for Poster: Posters need to be presented in upright format, Size: A0 (840x1188 mm).

Invitation to the contribution to the next newsletter of Forum Herbulot

As mentioned in earlier volumes, we encourage everybody to communicate to us any new and important references for this Newsletter. In the next issue, we are going to prepare a list of publications about Geometrid moth published in 2016-2017. Please use the exact formal criteria for citations as presented here, since we have not the resources to do large-scale editing.