

# 7<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of Integrative Zoology: Wildlife Monitoring and Data Collection under Global Change

# 25-28 Aug 2015, Xi'an, Shaanxi Province, China

### Organized by:

International Society of Zoological Sciences (ISZS)

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### **Background**

The International Society of Zoological Sciences (ISZS) will organize the 7th International Symposium of Integrative Zoology 25–28 Aug 2015, at College of Life Sciences, Shaanxi Normal University, Xi'an, Shaanxi province, China. The theme of the Symposium is Wildlife Monitoring and Data Collection under Global Change.

The ISZS was established in Beijing in 2004 as an international zoological body charged with organizing the ICZ and providing a global voice for zoologists. It is also a nonpartisan, nonprofit membership-based organization of professionals that aims to:

- promote zoology by improving communication between zoologists and zoological organizations;
- increase the availability of resources needed to conduct zoological research;
- promote co-ordination, collaboration and co-operation between different fields of zoology.

Currently, it remains the only international organization that covers all branches of zoological sciences in the world.

The core business of ISZS includes organizing the International Congress f Zoology (ICZ, started in 1889 and held every four years), publishing *Integrative Zoology* (INZ), a multidisciplinary scientific journal which is SCI and Medline Indexed, organizing the International Symposia of Integrative Zoology (ISIZ) in non-Congress years (6 have been held), and facilitating international research programs, such as Biological Consequences of Biological Sciences (BCGC). Currently, there are over 100 institutional members, including scientific academies, universities, NGOs, nature reserves, zoos and other professional societies from every continent, as well as more than 1000 individual members, with ISZS. For further information about ISZS and its membership, please visit the official website at: <a href="http://www.globalzoology.org">http://www.globalzoology.org</a>.

In 2008, the ISZS launched the international research program Biological Consequences of Global Climate Change (BCGCC). In October 2009, the program was expanded and renamed Biological Consequences of Global Change (BCGC). In the same year, it was adopted by the International Union of Biological Sciences (IUBS) as a new international scientific program at the 30th General Assembly in Cape Town, South Africa. In 2012, BCGC was reviewed as the core program at the IUBS and it was supported by IUBS for another three years (2012-2015). As a result, the theme of the 7th ISIZ is Wildlife Monitoring and Data collection under Global Change

We look forward to your participation, especially by zoologists, scientists, guests, and students, from all over the world, as well as ISZS members, EC & AC members, INZ board members and other invited guests in Xi'an.

The major topics of this symposium include:

- Wildlife Disease and climate change
- Biological invasion
- Plant-animal interaction
- Wildlife camera trapping monitoring
- Eco-physiology
- Herptile biology and conservation
- Bird evolution

#### Others

Alongside of the symposium, there will be an International Training Course on Integrative Zoology co-organized with "Asia Pacific Forest Invasive Species Network (APFISN) and the trainees who completed the course will be awarded a certificate issued by ISZS at the end of the course.

### **Other Meetings**

ISZS EC meeting (2015)
INZ Board meeting (2015)
2015 Annual Meeting, Shaanxi Zoological Society

#### **Dates**

Symposium: 25–27 Aug 2015 Training Course: 28 Aug 2015

#### **Venue**

College of Life Sciences, Shaanxi Normal University, Xi'an, Shaanxi province, China

### **Working Language**

The working language for the Symposium and Celebration is English.

### **Call for Symposia Speakers and Posters**

If you are interested in delivering a presentation or poster at the Symposium, please contact Dr Wenhua Xiong (xiongwh@ioz.ac.cn) before 24 Jun 2015.

# **Publication of Papers Presented at the Symposium**

Submitted abstracts for the Symposium will be collated in the Symposium Program Book for attendees. Manuscripts of presented talks or posters from the Symposium can be prepared for submission, peer review and publication in *Integrative Zoology* (<a href="http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1749-4877">http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1749-4877</a>), the official journal of ISZS and SCI-indexed. For publication in *Integrative Zoology*, please contact Dr Wenhua Xiong (<a href="mailto:xiongwh@ioz.ac.cn">xiongwh@ioz.ac.cn</a>).

# **Integrative Zoology Subscription**

Integrative Zoology (INZ) is a multidisciplinary scientific journal which is SCI (IF=1.419 in 2013) and Medline Indexed. It is also the official journal of ISZS and publishes zoological researches that compass all aspects of animal life. According to the Annual Report by Viley-Balckwell for 2013, INZ is currently available in over 2,000 institutions worldwide via Wiley-Blackwell license and another nearly 3,000 institutions in the developing world via philanthropic initiatives. Full text download in 2012 reached 30,018, which is a 25% rise compared with the previous year. To subscribe the journal, please visit <a href="http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1749-4877">http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1749-4877</a>, or contact Ms Tina Wang (<a href="mailto:twang@wiley.com">twang@wiley.com</a>). The ISZS members can enjoy a discounted subscription and buy an online subscription to INZ for only \$82.

# **ISZS Membership**

The ISZS Membership is open to any individual or organization with an interest in animals worldwide. Currently, there are two categories of membership at ISZS, Institutional and Individual. Institutional Members are required to pay 500€ per 4-year

term and Individual Members 40€ per 4-year term to enjoy the voting rights at the ISZS General Assembly (GA). The next GA will be held in Okinawa, Japan in 2016. If voting rights are waived, membership is free. As if at the end of 2013, there over 100 Institutional Members (representing over 30,000 zoologists) and over 1,000 Individual Members with ISZS. To become a member, contact Ms Wei Zhang (zhw1104@hotmail.com). To learn more about the membership and its benefits, visit http://www.globalzoology.org/dct/page/65579.

### **Registration**

**Online Registration:** Online registration is encouraged. Please register at: http://isiz7.csp.escience.cn.

Registration Fee: The registration fee is US\$200 for ordinary attendees and US\$150 for ISZS members, students or accompanying guests. Extra fees will be charged for those who wish to exhibit products or devices during the Symposium. The registration fee does not cover local accommodation or insurance (but does cover the lunch and dinner during the meeting). Registration fees for ISZS EC and AC members, INZ board members, invited plenary speakers, and one representative of ISZS institutional members will be waived.

Ordinary Attendee	ISZS Members, Students or
	Accompanying Guests
US\$200	US\$150

**Payment:** Please pay your registration at the Registration Desk at the College of Life Sciences, Shaanxi Normal University, China

**Participant's Badge:** Pick up your participant's badge at the Registration Desk. This badge is available only to the invited speakers and guests, ISZS EC and AC members, and those who have paid their registration fees.

#### **Insurance**

All insurance during the meetings and while traveling in China must be self-arranged.

# **Visa Application Information**

General information on obtaining a Chinese visa can usually be found at the local Chinese Embassy/Consulate (or their website). Attendees from most countries will require a visa to enter China. Some attendees may wish to apply for a tourist visa, which will allow you to attend the Symposium and Celebration, as well as sightsee in China.

If you need a general invitation letter from the Secretariat, in order to apply for your visa or grants or scholarships, please download it at: <a href="http://isiz7.csp.escience.cn/dct/page/70008">http://isiz7.csp.escience.cn/dct/page/70008</a>. Some countries may require an Authorized Notification Form for Visa Application in order to obtain a visa. If you need this type of special invitation letter, with the ISZS or CAS seal, please contact the Secretariat (<a href="mailto:iszs@ioz.ac.cn">iszs@ioz.ac.cn</a>) as soon as possible, after you have paid your registration fee. This letter takes some time to process.

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