

## 10<sup>th</sup> Hungarian Conference on Conservation Biology (HCCB)

**„Flagships, umbrellas and other species:  
what can mammal research do for conservation?”**

**1-3 April 2016  
Mórahalom**

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2<sup>nd</sup> Circular

The 10<sup>th</sup> event of the Hungarian Conservation Biology Conference Series (HCCB) will be held as a workshop on the research of endemic mammalian species of the Carpathian Basin, with particular attention to conservation aspects.

### **The 10<sup>th</sup> HCCB is organised by the**

Hungarian Biological Society  
Kiskunság National Park Directorate  
Mammal Protection Working Group, BirdLife Hungary - Hungarian Ornithological and Nature Conservation Society  
MTA, Centre for Ecological Research (Institute of Ecology and Botany; Danube Research Institute - Department of Tisza Research)  
Hungarian Natural History Museum  
University of Szeged, Department of Ecology

### **The 10<sup>th</sup> HCCB is sponsored by the**

Kiskunság National Park Directorate  
City Council of Mórahalom  
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Hungarian Natural History Museum  
MTA Centre for Ecological Research  
SCB European Section  
SCB Hungarian Chapter

**Venue** Aranyszöm Rendezvényház, Mórahalom, Hungary

### **Registration fees (VAT included)**

<b>Supporter Registration Fee</b>	12 000HU
<b>Full Registration Fee</b>	8 000 HUF
<b>Reduced Registration Fee</b>	6 000 HUF

The registration fee also includes the on-line version of the book of abstracts, all coffee breaks and the dinner on Friday evening.

Students, pensioners and participants who are on maternity leave or are unemployed are entitled to a reduced registration fee. To certify your entitlement please upload a photo of the corresponding document. You can upload the picture to the link provided after registration. Invoices of reduced registration fees will be issued to the participant.

Participants who pay a supporter registration fee will receive a certificate and their names will be listed on the conference website.

### **Registration**

You can register on-line on the conference website: [http://www.mtbk.hu/10th\\_mtbk/?page=registration](http://www.mtbk.hu/10th_mtbk/?page=registration)

**Deadline 31 January 2016**

### **Cancellation policy**

Cancellations can be made until the 15th March 2016. Please contact us and we will provide you with a 75% refund of the registration fees.

### **Accommodation**

Accommodation needs to be arranged individually by the participants. Please find a list of available places on the website ([http://www.mtbk.hu/10th\\_mtbk/?page=accommodation](http://www.mtbk.hu/10th_mtbk/?page=accommodation)).

### **Meals**

Friday's dinner and all coffee breaks are included in the participation fee. There will be an optional lunch organised on Saturday based on the demands given on the on-line registration form. The price of the lunch is 1200 HUF/person, which will be added to the registration fee and is to be paid via bank transfer in advance.

### **Payment method**

Payments can be made via bank transfer only. The invoice of the registration fee will be sent after the registration deadline. Please indicate in the comment box in the online registration form if you require a proforma invoice.

**The deadline for the bank transfer is 28 February 2016.**

Account Number of the Hungarian Biological Society  
K&H Bank IBAN: HU73 1020 0830 3231 0061 0000 0000  
Please write "10th MTBK registration fee" in the comment box.

### **Book of abstracts**

Only the abstracts submitted before the deadline and whose authors paid the registration fee will be included in the book of abstracts. The on-line version will be available for free, however a printed version can be ordered for 500 HUF in the on-line registration form.

**Deadline for abstract submission 31 January 2016.**

### **Formal requirements of the abstracts**

The abstract should be one paragraph no longer than 250 words. It should describe the background, the objectives and discuss the main results of the research. We are not able to accept abstracts without the results of the research (e.g. "In our presentation we will discuss the results from the data we are currently analysing.").

Only electronically submitted abstracts are accepted. To submit the abstract please use the link provided after the registration.

We provide an opportunity for NGOs, professional organisations and nature conservation associations to present themselves in the book of abstracts. Please upload the summary of the work, goals, basic principles and programmes of the organisation in maximum 250 words to the link provided after the on-line registration. We look forward to the introductions of organisations from all areas of Hungary and Carpathian Basin based conservation work, not only in the announced topics of the conference.

### **Professional programme**

The professional program will focus on six main topics and will consist of talks (12 minutes presentation and three minutes for questions), speed presentations (four minutes presentation and two minutes for questions), posters and workshops.

### **Topics**

- Species conservation programs
- Genetic diversity and protection of populations
- Habitat degradation, conservation and restoration
- Reintroduction programs, creating new populations, ex situ conservation
- Research methodology
- Economic and social aspects, raising awareness

### **Workshops**

Workshops will run in parallel sections.

- Bat Monitoring: experience and results
- Natural values of dry grassland habitats

We welcome further workshop proposals until **31 January 2016**. Please send your proposals to [mtbk10.szervezok@gmail.com](mailto:mtbk10.szervezok@gmail.com).

Plenaries of the symposia will be held by invited speakers, partly selected based on the submitted abstracts. For the further presentations the Organizing Committee reserves the right to propose other forms of presentation depending on the number of abstracts received. Feedback on the committee's decision will be given by 10 February 2016 the latest.

### **Poster section**

Information about poster sizes will be available on the website later on. Fastening materials will be provided by the organisers.

### **Wine tasting**

The wine tasting and lecture on the history of local wine costs 2000 HUF/person. The amount will be added to the registration fee and is to be paid via bank transfer in advance.

### **Excursions**

We organise two excursions on the third day (3 April 2016, Sunday) of the conference. Available options to choose:

- Habitats, landscape history, risk factors of the Vojvodina blind mole rat
- Conservation and management of the Water Buffalo Reserve near Mórahalom and the Nagyszéksós Lake wetland area

The cost of the excursion is 2000 HUF/person which includes packed lunch for the day and is to be paid on the spot. Trips depart if there are at least 20 participants.

### **Preliminary programme**

1 April 2016, Friday

- 11:00-13:00 Registration
- 13:00-15:00 Opening and talks
- 15:00-15:30 Coffee break
- 15:30-18:00 Talks
- 19:00- Dinner for all registered participants

2 April 2016, Saturday

- 9:00-11:00 Talks
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-13:00 Talks
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch break
- 14:00-16:00 Talks
- 15:00-15:30 Coffee break
- 16:30-19:30 Workshops
- 20:00- Wine tasting

3 April 2016, Sunday

- 9:00- Excursion

### **Contact information**

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We are looking forward to seeing you at the conference

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