

XXI European Congress of Lepidopterology Campobasso, Italy June 3-7, 2019



2ND ANNOUNCEMENT

The University of Molise, Campobasso (Italy), and the Council of Societas Europaea Lepidopterologica (SEL) invite all SEL members, and non members, to the **XXI European Congress of Lepidopterology**, to be held in Campobasso (Italy) June 3-7, 2019.

How and when to register?

Registration is open and must be completed online at the Congress' website:
<http://www.sel2019conference.com/>

Dates and Fees

Date	Registration/Activity	Fees
15 March 2019	Early registration online at website address above	€ 150/200/125
16 March 2019 onwards	Late registration	€ 200/250/150
15 April 2019	Abstract submission deadline	
Whole period	Accompanying person	€ 50/person
Whole period	Post Congress trip to Pompeii June 7, 2019	€ 50/person

Registration fees are for: *SEL and LepSoc Members/non-members/students* respectively.

Registration fees include: participation, congress material and abstracts program, coffee breaks, lunches, congress dinner, half-day field excursion, certificate of participation.

Payment

Payment can be completed as bank transfer (details at <http://www.sel2019conference.com/>), or at the registration desk upon arrival in cash (EURO only) or by Credit Card.

Venue

The Congress will take place at the University of Molise, Campobasso (Italy). Detailed information on how to get to Campobasso and the University of Molise can be found at:
<http://www.sel2019conference.com/>

Accommodation and meals

Campobasso hosts a wide range of accommodation possibilities, six of which are listed at the Congress' website (<http://www.sel2019conference.com/>) and can be book through the site as well at first come first served basis. Participants are requested to book their own accommodation. Lunch is included in the registration fee, but participants are requested to organize dinner themselves.

Preliminary Program

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 3 June	15.00 - 19.00	Welcome reception and opening of the Congress
Tuesday 4 June	8.30 - 18.30	Oral presentations and Poster session
	20.30	Congress Dinner
Wednesday 5 June	8.30 - 13.00	Oral presentations and Poster session
	14.00	Half-day excursion to Campitello Matese
Thursday 6 June	8.30 - 16.00	Oral presentations and Poster session
	16.00 - 18.30	General meeting
	18.30 - 19.30	Closing remarks
Friday 7 June	7.00 - 16.30	Post congress excursion to Pompeii
	16.30 - 18.30	Back to Campobasso or to Roma

Scientific Program

The deadline for submitting proposals for symposia and workshops is February 15, 2019.

The deadline for submitting abstracts for oral presentations and posters is April 15, 2019.

Student competition

Students (BSc, MSs and PhD) are invited to enter their presentations into the Students' competitions (one for poster presentations and one for oral presentations). Please indicate if you are a student who wish to enter the competition when you register your talk.

Social Program opened to Accompanying persons

Monday 3 June, 15.00 - 19.00 - Welcome reception

Thursday 4 June, 20.30 - Congress Dinner

Wednesday 5 June, 14.00 - Half-day Excursion to Campitello Matese

Friday 7 June, 7.00 - 16.30 - Post Congress Excursion to Pompeii

Other activities for accompanying person will be organized by Travel Agency "Di Paola Viaggi": Visit of Campobasso town, Visit of Termoli, Visit of Alto Molise (see Congress' website).

Mid-week Excursion

A half-day mid-week excursion to the subalpine Campitello Matese area Wednesday 5 June 2019 is included in the registration fee.

Congress Dinner

The Congress Dinner Tuesday 4 June 2019 at Piana dei Mulini Farmhouse is included in the registration fee (extra drinks not included).

Post Congress Excursion

A full post Congress excursion to the **UNESCO World Heritage Site of Pompeii** will be organized Friday 7 June 2019 for an additional cost of € 50/person. This includes bus transportation, entrance fee and lunch.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Collecting

In the area surrounding the Congress, insect collecting does not require a special permit.

Collecting activities in protected areas, as reserves and Parks, requires appropriate permits from the relevant authorities.

Climate and weather

Molise enjoys a warm and temperate climate with significant rainfall throughout the year. In Campobasso the average temperature in June is around 20 °C. But it is always prudent to check the local forecast before you go.

Currency

Italy is part of the European EURO Zone, and Euro is the used currency. ATMs are common in cities and towns, but may be scarce in rural areas. Major credit cards are accepted in most stores and restaurants, but it is recommended that visitors carry a sufficient supply of cash.

Visa

Italy belongs to the European Union, so visitors from member states do not need visa. Visitors from other countries should check visa requirements with their local Italian embassy before registering. Invitation letter can be provided after registration and send to the participants.

SUPPORT FOR MEMBERS

The SEL council has some funds available to support members who would like to attend the SEL conference but have insufficient funds themselves. Grants are awarded to individuals to cover expenses associated with transport, registration, hotel, meals, poster printing, etc. SEL cannot afford to pay the full costs, but will try to use the funds in the best possible way.

These grants are competitive and reviewed by a panel. Any submitted applications without all the required documents listed below will not be considered. All grantees are required to give a presentation (poster or talk). We especially encourage applications from students and amateurs, who lack financial means to attend the congress.

Required elements for grant consideration

The following documents **MUST** be included in the application in a single pdf file: 1) Letter of motivation including a statement as to why attendance of the SEL conference is considered important for the applicant's career and/or activities. Max 1 A4 page. 2) Short CV 3) Title of the proposed presentation including an abstract following the guidelines found at the registration page. 4) A short budget plan, including all expected expenses and other potential sources of subsidy. Include the amount of money that you need from SEL. SEL subsidies will most likely be in the range of EUR 300-500 maximum.

Submission and important dates

All applications should be written in English and submitted before: **15 March 2019**. Final decision and notification before: **10 April 2019**. All applications should be sent to the general Secretary, Carlos Lopez Vaamonde, carlos.lopezvaamonde@inra.fr

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