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3RD INTERN. SYMPOSIUM “COLEOID CEPHALOPODS THROUGH TIME”  
LUXEMBOURG, OCTOBER 8-11, 2008

**SECOND CIRCULAR – CALL FOR REGISTRATION & PRESENTATIONS**

**Introduction**

As announced in the first circular, the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Symposium ‘Coleoid Cephalopods through time’ will be held during October 8-11, 2008 in the Musée national d’histoire naturelle Luxembourg. **We are happy to inform you that registration and acceptance of abstracts has now started.**

The meeting is officially sponsored by the Fonds National de la Recherche Luxembourg (FNR).

As for many other groups of organisms, exchange of information between coleoid cephalopod workers from different fields (ecology, genetics, development, palaeontology, ecology) is crucial for modern, multidisciplinary research projects. Coleoid workers from all over the world and all disciplines are therefore invited to present their scientific results, discuss their contributions, exchange ideas, and arrange future collaborations. Linking bio- and geo-sciences is one of the key objectives of our 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. We hope to contribute to a better understanding of coleoid evolution and provide a platform for both neontologists and palaeontologists. We particularly encourage talks and posters about such multidisciplinary projects, questions and ideas. Of course, all other contributions regarding coleoids, their biology and use within the scientific community are welcome.

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## 1. Symposium schedule

Wednesday, 08.10.08	Registration, ice (« shell »)breaker party, vernissage “Coquilles coquines...les mollusques à la conquête du monde” [“Shells...molluscs and their conquest of the world”]
Thursday, 09.10.08	oral and poster presentations, public evening lecture
Friday, 10.10.08	oral and poster presentations
Saturday, 11.10.08	field trip

A detailed program will be presented in a following circular (August, 2008).

## 2. Symposium site

The Musée national d’histoire naturelle ([www.mnhn.lu](http://www.mnhn.lu)) is located in Grund (25, rue Münster), a canyon in the centre of the city that subdivides the old city and the railway quarter. Registration, icebreaker party, vernissage and public evening lecture will be in the museum. Presentations and coffee breaks will be in the old Abbaye of Neumünster called “Centre culturel de rencontre Abbaye de Neumünster”, which next to the museum.

## 3. Online-registration & payment

For registration please use the registration form at the our web site [www.symposium.lu/coleoids/](http://www.symposium.lu/coleoids/).

Registration fees are as following:

	early registration (before June, 2007)	late registration
full fee	80,00 €	120,00 €
student fee*	60,00 €	100,00 €
one-day field trip**	10,00 €	20,00 €
accompanying guest fee	30,00 €	50,00 €

\* Please, provide your student-ID at the symposium.

\*\* incl. lunch packet

### Details for bank transfer:

IBAN: LU 54 1111 1329 0010 0000

SWIFT (BIC) : CCPLLULL

Name of Bank: P & T Luxembourg

Bank address : L-1090 Luxembourg

Recipient: TRESORERIE DE L’ETAT CPTE MUSEE NAT. D’HIST. NATURELLE

Reference : your name, first name, coleoids

The registration fee for regular participants and students will include: admission, abstract volume, proceedings volume, icebreaker party, vernissage, public evening lecture, coffee breaks, and free entrance to the museum.

Accompanying guest registration will be for accompanying persons who will not be presenting. This includes admission, icebreaker party, vernissage, coffee breaks, and free entrance to the museum.

**Important:** Note that at the symposiums web site no payments can be made. For laggards, cash payments or EC or credit card payments have to be made at the information desk at the museum.

*Bookings cancelled after September, 1st will not be fully refunded (paid fee minus 30€)*

#### 4. Technical notes

- The symposiums language is English. Talks have to be in English. Poster should be preferably in English.
- Presentations should be limited to one talk and one poster per participant (if necessary, young scientists will have the opportunity to present two talks and/or two posters)
- Talks are scheduled to 15min and 5min discussion. Computer and beamer will be available in the lecture hall. Please bring your presentation on a compact disc or memory stick. It will not be possible to use your personal laptop.
- Posters should be in A0 format; poster walls size is 100 cm width x 180 cm height. Material for poster mounting will be available.

#### 5. Abstracts submission information

Please submit your abstract(s) according to the following guidelines:

The format needs to be either “rich text format” (rtf-file) or “Microsoft word document” (word file).

Body text should use “Times New Roman” font with 12pt size, lines double-spaced, and 2.5 cm margins on all sides. Title should be in capitals.

Authors and affiliations should follow on line below title. Underline the name of the speaker/presenter in multi-authored abstracts. Provide e-mail addresses for correspondence. Abstracts may include tables, figures and plates, but note that the print quality of the abstract volume will not be the best.

Citations in the text must be included in a reference list at the end of the abstract.

In main text, references to authors, in lower case, should be presented without comma before year, as follows:

Smith (2001), Smith (2001, 2002), (Smith 2001), (Smith 2001; Jones 2002), (Smith & Jones 2003, 2005), (Smith, Jones & Johnson 2003), Smith (2001: 1; 2003: 5), Smith (2001: fig. 2).

References should be presented as follows, in alphabetical order. Do not abbreviate journal names:

Høeg J. T. & Lützen J. 1985. - Comparative morphology and phylogeny of the family Thompsoniidae (Cirripedia: Rhizocephala: Akentrogonida) with description of three new genera and seven new species. *Zoologica Scripta* 22: 363-386.

Marshall C. R. 1987. - Lungfish: phylogeny and parsimony, in Bernis W. E., Burggren W. W. & Kemp N. E. (eds), *The Biology and Evolution of Lungfishes*, *Journal of Morphology* 1: 151-152.

Röckel D., Korn W. & Kohn A. J. 1995. - *Manual of the Living Conidae*. Volume 1: Indo-Pacific Region. Christa Hemmen, Wiesbaden, 517 p.

Schwaneer T. D. 1985. - Population structure of black tiger snakes, *Notechis ater niger*, on offshore islands of South Australia: 35-46, in Grigg G., Shine R. & Ehmann H. (eds), *Biology of Australasian Frogs and Reptiles*. Surrey Beatty and Sons, Sydney.

Gerecke R. et al. 2005. - Die Fauna der Quellen und des hyporheischen Interstitials in Luxemburg unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der Milben (Acari), Muschelkrebse (Ostracoda) und Ruderfusskrebse (Copepoda). *Ferrantia* 41, Musée national d'histoire naturelle, Luxembourg, 140 p.

- Entire abstract is limited to no more than three pages (including figures and plates).
- Abstracts should not describe new taxonomic names.
- Abstracts must be written in English and may be submitted for oral and poster presentations.
- **Deadline** for receipt of abstracts is **May 31, 2008** (abstracts will be confirmed by e-mail).
- All abstracts must be submitted electronically as an email attachment with "Abstract\_name of author(s)" in the file name and in the subject of the e-mail ([paleo@mnhn.lu](mailto:paleo@mnhn.lu)).

## 6. Publication of submitted papers

Symposiums proceedings will be published as a special issue of *FERRANTIA*, the scientific journal of the Musée national d'histoire naturelle de Luxembourg.

## 7. Field trip

Selected fossil sites in southern Luxembourg will be visited on Saturday, 11.10.08: the Bajocian coral reef environment nearby Rumelange (i.e. *Megateuthis*) and the oolitic ore deposits of the "Minette" Ironstone Formation (Toarcian-Aalenian) near Differdange.

## 8. Accommodation

Each participant has to book him-/herself an accommodation (except for the people presenting keynote lectures). A list of hotels in Luxembourg is proposed at our web site [www.symposium.lu/coleoids/](http://www.symposium.lu/coleoids/). Early booking is recommended!

## 9. Travel information

### *Flight connection*

The international airport ([www.luxair.lu](http://www.luxair.lu), [www.airport.lu](http://www.airport.lu)) is just 6 km out of Luxembourg City and connects Luxembourg with the main European capitals.

The city can be easily reached by the public city bus n°16 ([www.vdl.lu/vdl\\_multimedia/hor0906\\_16.pdf](http://www.vdl.lu/vdl_multimedia/hor0906_16.pdf)) or by taxi.

Alternatively, Luxembourg can be also reached via Frankfurt-Hahn airport ([www.ryanair.com](http://www.ryanair.com)). A frequent shuttle service (one-way ca. 15 Euros, duration ca. 90 min, online booking required) directly connects the air port (ca. 120 km from Luxembourg City) with the central train station in Luxembourg City (more information about the shuttle service [www.flibco.com](http://www.flibco.com)).

### *Train connection*

The central train station is situated in the centre of Luxembourg-City. The museum can be reached by a 15 min walk or by taxi.

### *Car*

Luxembourg is easily reachable from Belgium, France or Germany. There is no road charge. Parking possibilities near the museum are limited (parking fee).

A city map of Luxembourg is provided at our web site [www.symposium.lu/coleoids/](http://www.symposium.lu/coleoids/).

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