



International Workshop August 2013 Ceske Budejovice



Plant-insect food webs along latitudinal and altitudinal gradients originating from lowland tropical rainforests

Researchers, students, and interested public are invited to a 1-day workshop bringing some of the leading scientists in ecology to Ceske Budejovice. The public part of the workshop will take place on 13th August (Tuesday), with an optional trip to Sumava Mts, on 14th August. The workshop will include oral presentation by 18 senior researchers on biodiversity along ecological gradients, followed by an open poster session where you can present your own poster, and a general discussion with refreshments.

Programme:

13th Aug: 9.00-12.00 and 14.00-16.00 oral presentations, 16.00-18.00 poster session with discussions and refreshments
[field trip to the Sumava Mts. optional on 14th Aug]

Registration:

By email to Dr Bajzekova [bajzekova@entu.cas.cz], deadline 31 July.
Participation is free of charge. Cheap accommodation at student halls is available.

Venue:

Building B, Univ. of South Bohemia, Branisovska 31, Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic.
Google Maps: [detailed map - link](#)

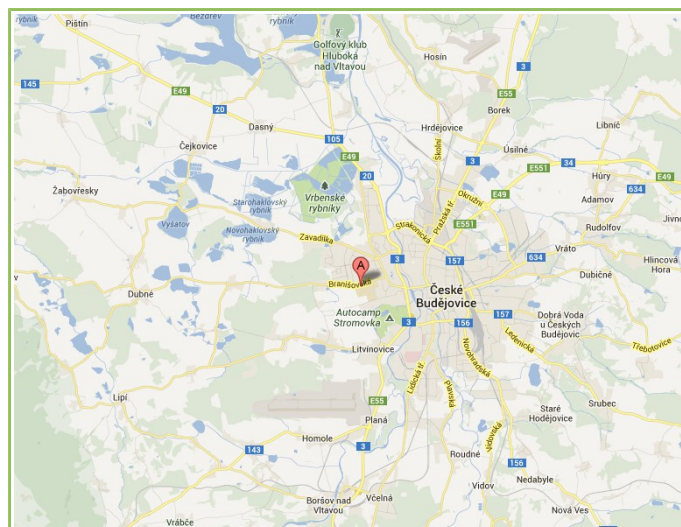


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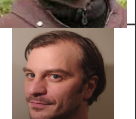
Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic (approximately 150 km south of Prague).

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Participants:

Name /website/:		Institution:	Country:	Research interests:	Taxonomic focus:	Geographical focus:	
Jan Beck	http://	Basel University	Switzerland	Biodiversity along habitat gradients, modeling and analysis of species' distribution, comparative analyses	Lepidoptera (Sphingidae, Geometridae)	Southeast-Asia, Africa, Europe	
Robert Colwell	http://	University of Connecticut	USA	Biogeography theory and models. Biodiversity informatics, biodiversity statistics. Species interactions and coevolution, especially plant - animal	Arthropods, hummingbirds	Americas (Costa Rica)	
Konrad Fiedler	http://	University of Vienna	Austria	biodiversity, conservation biology, phylogeny and insect-plant interactions	Lepidoptera	Europe, Borneo, Ecuador	
Matthew Forister	http://	University of Nevada, Reno	USA	specialization, diversification, and plant-insect ecology; the evolution of diet breadth, interactions across trophic levels	Insects (Lepidoptera)	Americas	
Nicholas Gotelli	http://	University of Vermont	USA	organization of animal and plant communities, effects of competition and predation on community structure	Insects (ants)	Americas	
Michael Kessler	http://	Zurich University	Switzerland	biotic and abiotic factors determining patterns of species diversity and the distribution of species, especially in the tropics	ferns, Acanthaceae, Araceae, Bromeliaceae, Cactaceae, Palmae	Costa Rica, Ecuador, Bolivia, Africa	
Roger Kitching	http://	Griffith University	Australia	patterns and processes of arthropod biodiversity along latitudinal and altitudinal gradients, food webs	Insects (Lepidoptera)	Australia, S. E. Asia, China	
Maurice Leponce	http://	Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences	Belgium	ant and termite community ecology and conservation with an emphasis on the canopy fauna	ants, termites	New Guinea, Ecuador, French Guyana etc.	
Jan Leps	http://	University of South Bohemia	Czech Republic	Mechanisms of coexistence of plant species, plant species functional ecology, species traits, assembly rules etc.	plants	Europe, New Guinea	

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Christy McCain	http://	University of Colorado at Boulder	USA	patterns and mechanisms of diversity and distributions of organisms, search for general theories of biodiversity	vertebrates		
Scott Miller	http://	Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of Natural History	USA	global and tropical insect biodiversity patterns, modern methods in insect taxonomy, barcoding	Lepidoptera	New Guinea, pacific, Africa (Kenya)	
Vojtech Novotny	http://	Biology Center, Czech Academy of Sciences	Czech Republic	ecology and evolution of plant-herbivore interactions, particularly in the tropics	insects (Hemiptera, Lepidoptera)	New Guinea	
David Storch	http://	Charles University	Czech Republic	Macroecology, biodiversity, evolutionary ecology, biogeography, community ecology, ecological complexity	birds	Europe, Africa	
Hana Tuomisto	http://	University of Turku	Finland	Rain forest ecology, vegetation research, remote sensing	plants, pteridophytes	Amazonia, Costa Rica	
Martin Konvicka	http://	Biology Center, Czech Academy of Sciences	Czech Republic	Insect community ecology and conservation	Lepidoptera	Central Europe, Mediterranean countries	
Lukas Cizek	http://	Biology Center, Czech Academy of Sciences	Czech Republic	Ecology of wood-boring insects, insect conservation	Coleoptera	Europe, tropical countries	
Lars Götzenberger	http://	Institute of Botany, Czech Academy of Sciences	Czech Republic	plant community assembly, functional diversity, functional trait relationships, dispersal	plants	Central Europe	
Francesco de Bello	http://	Institute of Botany, Czech Academy of Sciences	Czech Republic	Plant functional ecology and community assembly	plants	Central Europe	