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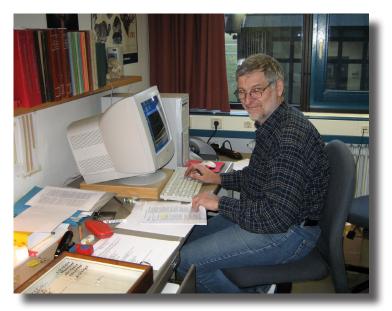
## PRELIMINARY HOST CATALOGUE OF PALAEARCTIC TACHINIDAE (DIPTERA)

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Herewith I let you know that I will retire from the Stuttgart museum (SMNS) at the end of April 2017. From May on I will be present in the museum only about two days per month, but people can always reach me via my e-mail address (above, which will remain valid or slightly change during 2017).

The Palaearctic tachinid-host catalogue on which I have been working these last years will be made available for all as a pdf-file from the end of April 2017 at http://www.nadsdiptera.org/Tach/WorldTachs/CatPal-Hosts/Home.html. My thanks to Jim O'Hara who made this possible. I plan to provide a revised version of this catalogue every two or three years and would be grate-ful if omissions or errors could be brought to my attention. Breeders who want to have their reared Palaearctic tachinid material identified are invited to contact me.



**Figure 1**. Peter Tschorsnig at his desk in the Stuttgart museum in 2008. (Photo by J.E. O'Hara)

Thank you and best wishes,

Peter

## ABOUT THE CATALOGUE

The aim of this catalogue is to provide information which is as correct as possible and as easy to use for the reader as possible, instead of an unannotated and often confusing mere listing of all records under the originally published parasitoid/host names. This catalogue is based on all available information which became known to the author (by critical study of existing catalogues, published papers and internet sources, checking of complete volumes of many journals, results of own revisions and identifications of material, occasionally also personal communications of colleagues). The content of the catalogue is preliminary in so far as it was not (yet) possible to find, consult or understand all possible sources. Major gaps exist for China; only easily accessible literature for the Palaearctic part of this country was used, and only such in which the scientific names of the hosts were given. Gaps also exist for some other (mainly Asian or eastern European) countries.