



# X International Symposium on Pollination, Cholula, Puebla, MX June 27-29, 2011

## **Tentative Program is coming together!**

The following Sessions of 1 or 1.5 hours are proposed and members of the organizing committee are stepping to the fore to help find and invite speakers, and to chair the sessions.

***Conservation Issues in Pollination***

***Global and Land Use Changes and their Impacts on Pollination***

***Vertebrates as Pollinators and in Pollination***

***Pollinators & Pollination in the City: Gardens, Parks, and other Green Spaces***

***Honeybees in Pollination: Their Status & Health***

***Bees, Bionomics, Biosystematics, and Biodiversity in Pollination***

***Those other insects as pollinators***

***Plant Breeding & Mating Systems and the Interface with Pollination***

***Pollination Mediated Gene Flow in Plants***

***Issues in Crop Pollination for Modern Agriculture***

***Pollination in Greenhouses and Enclosed Environments***

***Pollinators & Pesticides***

***Evolution & Pollination***

***Pollination of Trees and in the Forest***

***Assessing Pollination Interactions for Ecosystem Function***

***Pollination Issues for National & International Policies & Trade***

***Organizing and Educating for Pollination***

## **Call for Papers & Posters**

Please submit the title of your proposed presentation (paper or poster) as soon as you can. The Symposium presentations will be eligible for consideration as part of a special issue of the e-journal Journal of Pollination Ecology (<http://www.pollinationecology.org/>)

## **Field Trips**

The meeting will have three full days dedicated to talks and include a full day's excursion to either the Helia Bravo botanic gardens (<http://motivosdelamarea.wordpress.com/2009/08/13/jardn-botnico-helia-bravo-hollis/>), Tetela de Ocampo an important area for commercial apple growing and glasshouses ([http://www.mexicoquerido.com.mx/puebla/es/destinos/dePdes.php?\\_idDestino=46](http://www.mexicoquerido.com.mx/puebla/es/destinos/dePdes.php?_idDestino=46)) or a visit to the archaeological ruins of Cacaxtla and Xochitécatl ("the pyramid of the flowers") a short drive from Cholula to the neighbouring state of Tlaxcala (<http://www.delange.org/Xochitecatl/Xochitecatl.htm>). We will also offer an extended

excursion at the end of the meeting to Cuetzalan (<http://www.peoplesguide.com/1pages/best/mexico/various/cuetz.html>) to explore the tropical forest and see indigenous beekeeping practices.

## Funding

We are searching for funds to help defray the costs for the Symposium and to help defray costs for organizers and participants.

We are urging members of the Board of ICPBR to help by making overtures to organizations and industries that may be able to help as well.

We are aware that some organizers and potential participants will need letters of invitation to apply for grants, sponsorships, other help, and possibly visas to enter Mexico. Please let us know as soon as possible so a letter can be written to accommodate your needs.

Please pass on the following scholarship announcement to young researchers (< 35 years old).

### IUBS Young Scientist Grant

The International Union of Biological Sciences (IUBS), of which ICPBR is a member, has a Young Scientist Grant for funds to help defray the cost for young researchers to attend conferences linked with IUBS programmes. To qualify for these funds applicants must be presenting a poster or oral presentation, be under the age of 35 and be in a PhD or post doctoral position. If you are interested, we are asking that you send the following information to Andrea McGraw-Alcock ([amcgrawa@uoguelph.ca](mailto:amcgrawa@uoguelph.ca)):

- Name and Affiliation
- Type of presentation (Poster or Oral)
- Provisional title and abstract
- Date of Birth
- Estimated travel cost to Mexico

## **DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER IN TIME FOR THE CHEAPER RATE**

(<http://www.uoguelph.ca/icpbr/Mexico.html>)

Thank you all!

Peter G. Kevan

and

Carlos Vergara

