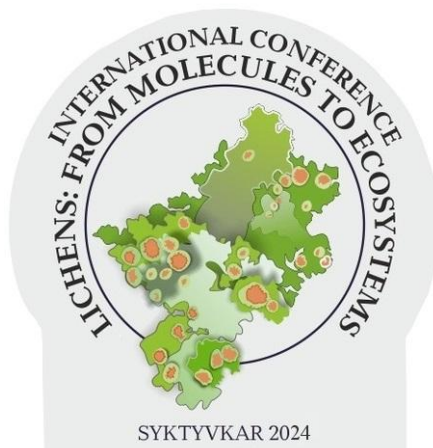


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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE "LICHENS: FROM MOLECULES TO ECOSYSTEMS"

July 1-5, 2024 Syktyvkar, Komi Republic, Russia

Welcome to Syktyvkar for the International Conference!

The Institute of Biology of the Komi Science Center of the Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences invites you to take part in the International Conference “Lichens: from molecules to ecosystems”, which will be held on July 1-5, 2024 in Syktyvkar (Komi Republic, Russia)

The following key topics will be discussed at the Conference:

1. Biodiversity and distribution of lichens
2. Lichens in plant communities and ecosystems
3. Experimental biology and ecology of lichens
4. Modern methods of lichens' investigations
5. Lichenology and education

The Conference agenda will be focused on the current state of regional lichen flora, studying of the physiology and response of lichens on environmental and climate changes, as well as the issues of protection of rare and vulnerable species of lichens.

After the completion of the main program of the conference, we are going to organize field lichenological trips (trip information will be posted in the second announcement).

During the Conference, you will be able to know more about the culture and traditions of the Komi people. We are going to organize fields to the vicinity of Syktyvkar.

Conference languages: Russian, English.

Conference Chair:

Svetlana Degteva, corresponding member of the RAS, doctor of sciences, director of the Federal Research Center "Komi Science Center of the Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences" (Syktyvkar)

Vice-Chairmen:

1. **Tamara Golovko**, professor, doctor of sciences, chief researcher of the Laboratory of Plant Physiology and Ecology of the Institute of Biology of Komi Science Centre of the Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences (Syktyvkar).

2. **Tatiana Pystina**, PhD, senior researcher of the Northern flora and vegetation department of the Institute of Biology of Komi Science Centre of the Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences (Syktyvkar).

Organizing Committee Secretary:

Mikhail Shelyakin, PhD., researcher of the Laboratory of Plant Physiology and Ecology of the Institute of Biology of Komi Science Centre of the Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences (Syktyvkar).

Program Committee:

1. **Ludmila Gagarina**, PhD., deputy director for research of the V.L. Komarov Botanical Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences (St. Petersburg).

2. **Farida Minibayeva**, doctor of sciences, head of the Laboratory of Redox Metabolism, Kazan Institute of Biochemistry and Biophysics of Kazan Science Center of the Russian Academy of Sciences (Kazan).

3. **Evgenia Muchnik**, doctor of sciences, associate professor, leading researcher of the Laboratory of Ecology of Broadleaved Forests of the Institute of Forestry Science of the Russian Academy of Sciences (Moscow Region, Uspenskoye village).

4. **Alexander Paukov**, PhD, associate professor of the Biodiversity and Bioecology Department of the Ural Federal University named after the first President of Russia B.N. Yeltsin (Ekaterinburg)

5. **Angela Sonina**, doctor of sciences, associate professor, head of the Botany and Plant Physiology Department of the Institute of Biology, Ecology and Agricultural Technologies of the Petrozavodsk State University (Petrozavodsk)

6. **Andrei Tsurykau**, doctor of sciences, associate professor, professor of the Biology Department of the Francisk Skorina Gomel State University (Gomel, Republic of Belarus)

7. **Richard Beckett**, professor, PhD, University KwaZulu-Natal (Pietermaritzburg, South Africa)

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Detail information will be available at the Conference website after November 27.

You can submit the registration form at the Conference site.

The conference reports proceedings will be published online and placed in the RSCI database.

We would be grateful for any suggestions on the organization of the Conference «Lichens: from molecules to ecosystems» send by email: lichens2024@ib.komisc.ru

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