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WELCOME

It is a great pleasure to invite you to attend the 9th International Symposium on Syrphidae (ISS9). Taking place for the first time in the Neotropical Region, the ISS9 will be held in Curitiba (Brazil) from 28th August to 1st September 2017. We are sure it will be an excellent opportunity to establish new research collaborations and share experiences on Syrphidae.

The following information is also available at http://syrphidaesymposium.wixsite.com/iss9-curitibabrazil

LOCATION

<u>Curitiba</u> is located in the South Region of Brazil and most of its inhabitants are of northern European descent. It is an important cultural, political, and economic centre in Latin America. Although Curitiba holds a population of 2 million inhabitants, it is managed to preserve its mid size town atmosphere. It was founded by the Portuguese over 300 years ago and settled by immigrants (such as Italians, Polish, Ukrainians, Germans, and Japanese). The name "Curitiba" comes from the Tupi words *kurí tyba* (= many pine seeds), due to the large number of pinecones of Paraná pines (*Araucaria angustifolia*) occurring in the region by the time of its foundation.

TRANSPORT

If you are coming to Curitiba from abroad, there are flights from all the larger capitals (São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Brasília and Porto Alegre). The easiest way is to take a flight to São Paulo (São Paulo International Airport - GRU) with a connection flight to Curitiba (Afonso Pena International Airport - CWB).

Note that São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro are both served by two airports and some flight connections can occur in a different airport. Avoiding the transfer from one airport to another is a good choice! The Symposium venue is located about 28 Km from the CWB airport. You can find in the following link directions from CWB to the La Dolce Vita Hotel.

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If you are coming by car, you only have to follow your GPS system and use the La Dolce Vita Hotel address: La Dolce Vita Hotel, Estrada Velha de Joinville, s/n - Rio de Una, Tijucas do Sul - PR, 83190-000, Brazil.

Transport from Curitiba to La Dolce Vita Hotel and vice versa will be organized. A bus will leave from Curitiba at 9 AM on August 28th and will come back to Curitiba on September 1st around 7 AM. We ask you to provide your arrival details and to let us know if you will need place in any of these two buses from Curitiba to La Dolce Vita Hotel and vice versa.

MONEY

The currency in Brazil is the **Real** (**R\$**). For those of you who need to pay the registration fee, or the excursion fee, we kindly ask you to pay this in Reais. We cannot accept foreign currency.

VENUE AND REGISTRATION

The ISS9 will be held in the <u>Hotel la Dolce Vita</u> located in a preserved region of rich nature, close to the "<u>Serra do Mar</u>".

All the sessions and accommodation will be in *La Dolce Vita Hotel*, for which delegates have a special offer. The Organizing Committee strongly suggests taking advantage of this deal and stay with us at the *La Dolce Vita Hotel*. It is also encouraged sharing rooms to get even better prices and because the number of single rooms is limited we cannot guarantee their availability for all the requests.

<u>Please</u>, notice that the hotel is located 40 km away from Curitiba's metropolitan area.

The hotel booking must be made in the registration form and must be paid along with the registration.

We have stablished combos for delegates and accompanying persons which include:

✓ 4 nights in the *La Dolce Vita Hotel* (August 28th to September 1st 2017)

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- ✓ Breakfast (4 days)
- ✓ Lunch without drinks (4 days)
- ✓ Dinner without drinks (4 days)
- ✓ Free Wifi
- ✓ Free use of recreation area, including: indoor heated swimming pool; steam and dry saunas; gymnastic and weight training equipment; Tennis court; Volleyball court; grass Soccer field; Paddleboat and kayaks in a lake of 210,000 m².

The registration for the ISS9 will start on **April 10**th **2017,** via an online form available at: https://goo.gl/forms/tNJouvKGPCGBqIUE3

The registration fee covers the admission to all sessions during the symposium, certificate of attendance, the delegate package and two coffee breaks daily. Early registrations have special prices (see table below) and must be submitted by May 22nd 2017.

	Early registration	Late registration	
	Deadline: May 22 nd 2017	Deadline: July 10 th 2017	
	Prices are in Reais	Prices are in Reais	
Registration only*	R\$ 400	R\$ 600	
Combo single room	R\$ 1800 per attendant**	R\$ 2000 per attendant**	
Combo double/twin room	R\$ 1500 per attendant**	R\$ 1800 per attendant**	
	R\$ 1100 per accompanying person	R\$ 1200 per accompanying person	
Combo triple room	R\$ 1320 per attendant**	R\$ 1620 per attendant**	
	R\$ 920 per accompanying person	R\$ 1020 per accompanying person	
Combo	R\$ 1176 per attendant**	R\$ 1476 per attendant**	
quadruple/quintuple room	R\$ 776 per accompanying person	R\$ 876 per accompanying person	

^{* &}quot;REGISTRATION ONLY" OPTION DOES NOT INCLUDE LUNCH AND DINNER. CHOOSING THIS OPTION, YOU MUST PAY 70 REAIS PER MEAL.

^{**}PRICES PER ATTENDANT INCLUDE THE REGISTRATION FEE (400 REAIS EARLY REGISTRATION; 600 REAIS LATE REGISTRATION).

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Delegates, who would not like to stay at the La Dolce Vita Hotel, must keep in mind that the registration fee does not include lunches and dinners. The reason for this arrangement was that the La Dolce Vita Hotel management included all those meals in the special offer (see above). We reiterate to take advantage of this special offer and stay with us at the La Dolce Vita Hotel.

Undergraduate and graduate students: based on available funds our intention is to provide small travel support grants and a reduction of R\$ 100 in the final fee for students. To apply for these support funds, please ask your supervisor to send an e-mail on a university letterhead confirming your status to syrphidae9@gmail.com with subject "Student_YourName", together with your abstract.

Accompanying person is not characterized as a delegate, taking advantage only of the hotel facilities.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND PRESENTATION

Abstracts are required for both oral and poster presentations. They must be submitted by e-mail to syrphidae9@gmail.com, with subject "Abstract_YourName" The deadline for abstract submission is **June 30**th **2017**. Only registered delegates can submit abstracts.

A layout of an abstract is provided in our <u>website</u>. Please follow this style. Avoid using references as much as possible; references should be used only if necessary. Each abstract has a limit of 300 words.

✓ **Oral presentations** will be 15 minutes long including 3 minutes for discussion. A digital file in Microsoft PowerPoint, saved as .ppt or .pptx (compatible with PowerPoint 2013), or a .pdf file, as well Prezi.exe must be uploaded to the computer in the morning (before the Opening) or just after lunch (before the beginning of the session). Files must be named with the presenter's first and last name and the day of the week (Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday).

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<u>Notice</u>: If you absolutely cannot make your presentation, please make every effort to find a replacement speaker. Nobody benefits from having gaps in the program. If you are absolutely unable to attend and cannot find a replacement, please notify the Organizing Committee.

✓ **Posters** have to be in A0 format (841 mm x 1189 mm) and they must be mounted by the presenters on the corresponding poster boards provided by the organizers. Poster boards and mounting materials will be available in the meeting room.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Following the previous Symposium, the scientific program will include sessions on Faunistics and Biogeography; Systematics and Phylogenetics; Biology and Ecology; Biodiversity Assessment and Conservation; and Integrated Pest Management and Biocontrol.

Below you will find a preliminary schedule of the ISS9.

Day / Time	Monday August 28 th	Tuesday August 29 th	Wednesday August 30 th	Thursday August 31 st	Friday September 1 st
8:30 – 9:00	Leave downtown to La Dolce Vita Hotel	Opening	Opening	Opening	Excursion
9:00 – 10:30	Arrival	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	
10:30 – 11:00	Arrival	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 12:30	Arrival	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:30	Arrival / Registration	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	EXCUISION
15:30 – 16:00	Arrival / Registration	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
16:00 – 16:50	Arrival / Registration	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	Plenary Talk	
16:50 – 18:00		Poster session 1	Poster session 2	Open discussion – closing remarks	
19:30 – 21:30	Welcome Dinner	Dinner	Special Dinner	Dinner	

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EXCURSION

On Friday September 1st 2017, and after we leave the La Dolce Vita Hotel, around 7 AM, we will do an excursion to Morretes/PR by train through Serra do Mar. Arriving in Morretes, you will have time to visit the town, have lunch and continue to Antonina, a colonial town facing the bay. Return to Curitiba by van or bus through the Graciosa Road (crossing through the Atlantic forest) or BR-277, depending on the weather conditions.

This excursion costs around 300 Reais and includes:

- ✓ Transfer from the hotel to the railway station.
- ✓ Train tickets to Morretes through Serra do Mar. The executive train category has English/Portuguese speaking guide on board and you will have snacks and drinks served (water, soda and beer).
- ✓ Visit to Morretes with its colonial houses, handicraft market and church.
- ✓ Lunch in Morretes or Antonina (typical food).
- ✓ Visit to the harbor town of Antonina with its beautiful bay.
- ✓ Return to Curitiba by van or bus.
- ✓ Transfer back to your hotel.

More info about the tour, please visit: http://www.curitiba-travel.com.br/Join In Train Tour executive

Depending on number of participants, prices might be reduced.

Please indicate on the registration form if you wish to participate in the excursion on Friday.

The excursion fee payment can be made directly to the Organizing Committee on the first day of the ISS9.

Please arrange your own accommodation if staying additional night(s) in Curitiba.

We suggest the following hotels:

Confiance Residence Batel

Harbor Hotel Batel

Harbor Self Saint Emilion

Mabu Curitiba Business

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Mercure Curitiba Sete de Setembro

Monte Castello

Pestana Curitiba

Slaviero Executive Batel

Salviero Slim Avenida das Torres

Transamérica

Tulip Inn Curitiba Batel

IMPORTANT DATES

Until May 22nd 2017: Early registration (reduced fees)

Until June 30th 2017: Abstract submissions

Until July 10th 2017: Late registration (regular fees)

August 28th – 31st 2017: Symposium

September 1st 2017: Excursion

WEATHER

Curitiba has a mild humid temperate climate with warm summers and no dry season. The months of August/September are characterized by *gradually falling* daily high temperatures, with daily highs ranging from 20°C to 23°C over the course of the months, exceeding 26°C or dropping below 16°C only one day in ten (Source: https://weatherspark.com/averages/33386/9/Curitiba-Parana-Brazil).

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We cordially invite you to attend the ISS9 and contribute to the scientific program by presenting your research. Come and meet colleagues from all over the world, exchange ideas, develop collaborations and enjoy!

We look forward to meeting you all in Curitiba.

Best regards,

Mírian Morales & Luciane Marinoni

The Organizing committee