



# SYSTEMATICS

First meeting of BioSyst EU 2009  
Seventh Biennial Conference of the Systematics Association  
11. GfBS-Jahrestagung  
10-14 August 2009

National Herbarium of the Netherlands and  
National Museum of Natural History Naturalis, Leiden

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BioSyst EU, the federation of European systematic societies, was founded in 2006.

It aims to provide a European platform to:

- promote research, teaching and training in all areas of systematic biology
- encourage collaboration and interchange among researchers, coordinate national and international efforts
- support and represent researchers in countries lacking formal systematics societies
- represent systematic biology in the European parliament

Participating societies include:

GfBS – Gesellschaft für Biologische Systematik (Germany)

NOBIS Austria – Network of Biological Systematics Austria (Austria)

SFS – Société Française de Systématique (France)

Swiss Systematics Society (Switzerland)

Systematics Association (UK)

The conference will be the first of a series of quadrennial European conferences for biological systematics. These meetings will encourage both formal and informal collaboration among systematic biologists and other interested researchers across Europe.

Sessions will include major themed symposia, timely 'how-to-' talks on important emerging topics by leaders in the field, and generous time allocation for contributed papers or posters by students and established researchers on any topic in systematics.

The conference is open to everyone; we especially encourage participation of research students and researchers in the early stages of their careers.

#### **Student bursaries**

To encourage student participation, competitive bursaries will cover registration, accommodation costs and the conference dinner (but not travel) for students presenting a paper on their own research work. For details and an online application form, see the Systematics Association website: [www.systass.org](http://www.systass.org).

#### **Deadlines**

Deadline for registration and submission of abstracts **30th June 2009**.

A late registration surcharge will apply after this date.

#### **Conference venue**

Leiden houses the major biodiversity collections of the National Museum of Natural History Naturalis and the National Herbarium of the Netherlands. It has one of the largest and most attractive historical town centres of the Netherlands, and is centrally located with excellent connections to Amsterdam, The Hague and Schiphol Airport.

The conference venue is within walking distance of Leiden Central Station.

**For more information, registration and booking details, see [www.biosyst.eu](http://www.biosyst.eu)**

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