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2005 Meeting of the Mexican Society of Primatologists, 4–7 May, 2005, Instituto de Ecología, Xalapa, Veracruz, México. For information: Juan Carlos Serio Silva, Presidente, Asociación Mexicana de Primatología AC, Departamento de Biodiversidad y Ecología Animal, Instituto de Ecología AC, km 2.5 antigua carretera a Coatepec, No. 351 conegregación El Haya, CP 91070, Apartado Postal 63, Xalapa, Veracruz, México, Tel.: +52 (228) 8 42 18 00 ext 4109 /4110 (Fax: ext 4111), e-mail: <serioju@ecologia.edu.mx>.

Fourth Annual Callitrichid Behavioral Husbandry and Management Workshop, 21–22 May, 2005, Washington, DC, USA. The Callitrichid Behavioral Husbandry and Management Workshop will be presented by the Cotton-top Tamarin SSP and hosted by the US National Zoo in Washington, DC. For more information, see the Workshop’s website at: <http://nationalzoo.si.edu/ConservationAndScience/EndangeredSpecies/GLTProgram/CallitrichidWorkshop/default.cfm>.


Association of Tropical Biology and Conservation – 2005 Annual Meeting, 23–29 July, 2005, Uberlândia, Brazil. The venue will be the Uberlândia Convention Center. For more information write to the Chair of the Organizing Committee, Kleber del-Claro, Laboratório de Ecologia Comportamental e Interações, Universidade Federal de Uberlândia, Caixa Postal 593, Uberlândia 38400-902, Minas Gerais, Brazil, e-mail <delclaro@ufu.br> or <atbc2005@inbio.ufu.br>.


1st Congress of the European Federation of Primatology, 9–12 August, 2005, Göttingen, Germany. The Congress will be
hosted by the German Society for Primatology (GeP) at the German Primate Centre (DPZ), University of Göttingen. It will coincide with the 9th Congress of the German Society. European students and researchers working on all aspects of primatology are invited to attend. Registration from 1 November 2004 to 30 March 2005. For more information contact Peter M. Kappeler, President EFP, German Primate Center (DPZ), Abteilung Verhaltensforschung & Ökologie, Kellnerweg 4, D-37077 Göttingen, Germany, e-mail: <pkappel@gwdg.de>, website: <http://www.gf-primatologie.de/EPF2005/index.htm>.

29th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists, 17–20 August, 2005, Portland, Oregon. The meeting will be held at the Benson Hotel and hosted by the Oregon National Primate Research Center. Call for abstracts and the meeting announcement will be sent electronically to all ASP members in mid-December 2004. Deadline for proposals for symposia, roundtables or workshops is 17 January, 2005. Deadline for abstracts for contributed papers, symposia speakers, workshops and roundtable discussions is 14 February, 2005. If a paper version of the meeting announcement is preferred, please contact: Larry Williams, Program Co-Chair, Tel: +1 251-460-6293, Fax: +1 251-460-6286, e-mail: <lwilliams@usouthal.edu>. For more information, please contact: Dr. Kristine Coleman, chair of the local organizing committee of the ONPRC at <colemank@ohsu.edu>.

29th International Ethological Conference, 20–27 August, 2005, Budapest, Hungary. For more information, write to: IEC2005, Department of Ethology, Eötvös University, 1117 Budapest, Hungary, or subscribe to the e-mail newsletter at <IEC2005-subscribe@yahoogroups.com>.

COHAB 2005: First International Conference on Health and Biodiversity, 23–25 August, 2005, Galway, Ireland. This important global event will provide an international forum for scientists, professionals, policymakers, and stakeholders to address the issues linking environmental health, human health, biological diversity, and international development. Themes to be discussed at the conference include the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment and the U.N. Millennium Development Goals; biodiversity, genetic resources, natural products and drug discovery; nature, culture, sociology and mental health; biodiversity in nutrition, agriculture and food production; pathogen pollution and the ecology of infectious disease; the use of wild species as sentinels of environmental health; functional biodiversity and ecosystem services; and ethnomedicine and traditional knowledge. A special session of COHAB 2005 will discuss policy options for addressing the health and development problems posed by biodiversity loss, with relevance to public health and development planning policies worldwide. COHAB 2005 is being organised by an international consortium led by the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Global Environment Facility, the World Conservation Union, the Centre for Health and the Global Environment at Harvard Medical School, and other international organisations. Full details of the conference may be found at http://www.cohab2005.com. Enquiries should be directed to Conor Kretsch, COHAB Director, e-mail: <info@cohab2005.com>.


Sixth Meeting of the Asociación Primatológica Española, 27–30 September, 2005, Facultad de Psicología, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Madrid, Spain. Sponsored by the Asociación Primatológica Española (A.P.E.), this Meeting will focus on the themes of Child Ethology, Conservation, Great Apes and Humans: Similarities and Differences, and Tool Use. For more information please see the website at <http://www.ucm.es/info/ape05> or contact Dr. Fernando Colmenares (<colmenares@psi.ucm.es>) or Dra. María Victoria Hernández-Lloreda (<ape@psi.ucm.es>).

2005 Annual Meeting of the Conservation Breeding Specialist Group, 29 September – 1 October, 2005, Syracuse, New York, USA. Beginning with a late-afternoon ice-breaker on Wednesday, the meeting will run through Saturday, ending with an afternoon and dinner at the Rosamond Gifford Zoo. Regional network meetings will take place on Tuesday, 27 September, and a Steering Committee meeting on Wednesday, 28 September. Accommodations are at the Genesee Grande Hotel (http://www.geneseegrande.com), which offers a variety of rooms and rates. The deadline for registration is 1 August 2005; for more information, email a request to <2005cbsg@cbsg.org> or visit their website at <http://www.cbsg.org>.

New World Primate Workshop (A Focus on Cebids), 30 September – 1 October, 2005, Cleveland, Ohio, USA. The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo announces a workshop on New World Primates that will focus on the captive care of Cebids in U.S. institutions. Informal roundtable discussions will include the following topics: diet and health, social groups and mixed species, enrichment and training behaviors, and population management. The workshop will begin at 10 a.m. on Friday, 30 September, and end at 4 p.m. on Saturday, 1 October. Attendance is limited to 50 people and registrants will be asked to complete a pre-meeting survey regarding their experiences with Cebids. The workshop will be held on the zoo grounds. Some meals will be provided and local lodging
half, we focus on distance sampling in more detail. We and discuss which method to use when. In the second important methods of estimating animal abundance in a rigorously constructed way. In the first half of the workshop, we cover plot sampling, distance sampling, mark-recapture and removal methods. We explain the common key statistical concepts underlying the methods, use custom-written simulation software to understand how the methods work, and discuss which method to use when. In the second half, we focus on distance sampling in more detail. We discuss practical issues such as use of the Distance software, field methods, and survey design. The workshop is aimed at anyone who needs to estimate wildlife density or abundance and is taught by leading researchers from the Centre for Research into Ecological and Environmental Modelling at the University of St Andrews, Scotland. Registration for this workshop is now open. Since all of our previous workshops in the USA have been oversubscribed, we encourage everyone interested to register as soon as possible. For more details, please see <http://www.ruwpa.st-and.ac.uk/counting.critters/> or contact Rhona Rodger, Workshop Organizer, CREEM, University of St Andrews, The Observatory, St Andrews, Scotland KY16 9LZ, tel: +44 1334 461842, fax: +44 1334 461800, e-mail: <rhona@mcs.st-and.ac.uk>.

**Primer Congreso Colombiano de Primatología**

**Asociación Colombiana de Primatología**, del 2 al 4 noviembre de 2005, Bogotá, Colombia. El Primer Congreso Colombiano de Primatología tendrá tres Áreas Temáticas para la presentación de los trabajos: **Biología y Ecología** — estudios en ciencias básicas que incluyen morfología, taxonomía, sistemática, genética, biología molecular, evolución, biodiversidad, comportamiento y ecología; **Medicina** — estudios en anatomía, fisiología, medicina, clínica, patología, epidemiología, nutrición, y restricción de primates; y **Conservación y Manejo (in situ / ex situ)** — investigación aplicada y gestión multidisciplinaria, herramientas conceptuales y técnicas dirigidas a la conservación, uso y aprovechamiento, trabajo comunitario, comercio, mantenimiento en cautiverio, reproducción, técnicas de captura, manipulación, registro y marcaje, enriquecimiento ambiental, rehabilitación, disposición de primates de comisión, normatividad y legislación. La ponencia debe incluir información nueva, se pueden enviar resúmenes de temas presentados en reuniones anteriores pero su aporte al Congreso debe ser clave, generar discusión constructiva o representar temas emergentes. Para mayor información del Congreso, puede visitar la siguiente página web: <http://www.geocities.com/primatescolombia>, o en el correo electrónico <ACP_investigacion@yahoo.com>.

**Primate Society of Great Britain (PSGB), Winter Meeting 2005**, 9 December, 2005. Flett Theatre, The Natural History Museum, London. The theme is “Primate Evolution and the Environment.” Guest speakers include R. D. Martin (The Field Museum, Chicago), Erik Seiffert (Oxford University), Peter Andrews (The Natural History Museum), Jussi Eronen and Mikael Fortelius (University of Helsinki), Susan Antón (New York University), Sarah Elton (University of Hull), Christophe Soligo (The Natural History Museum), Jonathan Kingdon (Oxford University), Urs Thalmann (University of Zürich) and Laurie Godfrey (University of Massachusetts). Organised by: Christophe Soligo, The Natural History Museum, e-mail: <C.Soligo@nhm.ac.uk>. See website: <http://www.psgb.org/Meetings/Winter2005.html>.

Germany. Organized by Peter M. Kappeler. Confirmed invited speakers: Diversity in the Past: Extinct primate communities – John Fleagle (State University of New York, Stony Brook). Diversity Today: Diversity of Malagasy primates – Anne Yoder (Yale University); Diversity of American primates – Anthony B. Rylands (Conservation International); Diversity of Asian primates – Janja Supriatna (Conservation International Indonesia); Diversity of African primates – John F. Oates (Hunter College New York); Primate biogeography – Shawn Lehman (University of Toronto); Speciation and taxonomy – Colin P. Groves (Australian National University); Human diversity – Mark Stoneking (Max Planck Institute, Leipzig). Preserving Diversity for Tomorrow: Diversity and conservation hotspots – Russell A. Mittermeier (Conservation International); Extinction biology – Carlos Peres (University of East Anglia); Conservation genetics – George Amato (Wildlife Conservation Society); Conservation genetics – Michael Bruford (Cardiff University); Reintroductions – Carel P. van Schaik (University of Zürich). Comparative Perspectives: Speciation in birds – Trevor Price (University of Chicago); Bird taxonomy and conservation – Robert Zink (University of Minnesota). Contact: Prof. Dr. Peter M. Kappeler, Deutsches Primatenzentrum (DPZ), Kellnerweg 4, D-37077 Göttingen, Tel/Fax: +49-551-3851-284/291, e-mail: <pkappel@gwdg.de>, website: <http://www.dpz.gwdg.de/sociobiology/GFT2005/index.html>.

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Ecology in an Era of Globalization: Challenges and Opportunities for Environmental Scientists in the Americas, 8–12 January, 2006, Merida, Mexico. This conference will be held at the Fiesta Americana Hotel in Merida, and is co-hosted by the Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán and the Centro de Investigaciones Científicas de Yucatán. Abstracts should address one of the meeting’s three subthemes: invasive species, human migration, and production. The invasive species subtheme includes such topics as dispersal of invasive plant and animal species, emerging diseases, and resistance of local ecosystems to invasive species and disease. The human migration subtheme includes the environmental effects of international and local emigration and immigration on recipient and source areas. Potential topics include infrastructure development needs and impacts, effects on land cover, and land use impacts. The production subtheme focuses on ecosystem transformations, including land-use change, required to produce goods and services for human use. Potential topics include the effects of changes in forest and agricultural policy on economies, biodiversity, and ecosystems throughout the Americas, in terrestrial, marine, and freshwater systems. We particularly welcome reports of projects that are interdisciplinary and that consider the need to communicate with broad audiences. For more information, or to submit an abstract, visit <http://www.esa.org/mexico>. Deadline for abstract submissions: September 16, 2005.

75th Annual Meeting of the American Association for Physical Anthropology, 5–12 March 2006, Anchorage, Alaska, USA. For program information, please contact the Program Chair, Lyle W. Konigsberg, Department of Anthropology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996-0720, USA, Tel: (865) 974-4408, fax: (865) 974-2686, e-mail <aapavp@utk.edu>. Local Arrangements Committee Chair: Christine Hanson, Department of Anthropology, University of Alaska Anchorage, Anchorage, AK 99508, USA, tel: 907-786-6839, fax: 907-786-6850, e-mail <afclhs@uaa.alaska.edu>. Website at <http://www.physanth.org/annmeet>.

Primate Society of Great Britain (PSGB), Spring Meeting 2006, 27–28 March, 2006, University of Stirling, Stirling, Scotland. The theme is “Primate Mentality and Wellbeing.” On the afternoon of 27 March invited speakers will address the relationship between cognition and welfare in primates. Other topics are welcomed for posters and oral sessions. There will be a prize for the best postgraduate presentation and poster. A provisional programme and instructions for presenters can be found on the meeting web site at: <http://www.psychology.stir.ac.uk/staff/svick/PSGB2006.php>. For more information please contact: Dr Sarah Vick (PSGB), Psychology Department, University of Stirling, FK9 4LA, Scotland. E-mail address for enquiries: <psgbspring@stir.ac.uk>.


29th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists (ASP), 16–19 August, 2006, San Antonio, Texas. Sponsored by Southwest National Primate Research Center. Tentative deadline dates are: Notify program chair of intent to offer a symposium or workshop by 5 December, 2005; Symposia and Workshop abstracts with confirmed list of participants due to program chair by 9 January, 2006; all final abstracts are due for symposia, oral, and poster presentations by 6 February, 2006. See the ASP website for updates and further information: <http://www.asp.org/meetings/index.html>.

1st European Congress of Conservation Biology, 22–26 August, 2006, Eger, Hungary. The European Section of the Society for Conservation Biology is determined to promote the development and use of science for the conservation of European species and ecosystems, and to make sure that conservation policy is firmly underpinned by the best available scientific evidence. This cornerstone conference will bring together a wide array of academics, policymakers, students, NGO representatives and biodiversity managers from throughout Europe and beyond. For more information, see the Congress website at <http://www.eccb2006.org> or contact András Báldi, Chair of the Local Organising Committee, at <baldi@nhmus.hu>.