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150€/person

including accomodation (Hotel Atrium, Arles), lunch, coffee breaks, transport between Arles and Tour du Valat each day

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KEY DATES

July 1st, 2015
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4 plenary sessions
1 poster sessions
1 short field visit per day
1 field visit in Camargue

CONFERENCE CONTEXT

At the crossroad of three continents and highly contrasting bioclimates, the Mediterranean basin is a truly unique area featuring exceptional biodiversity and has been identified as one of the 34 world biodiversity hotspot. Several civilisations settled and prospered through exploiting and shaping this biodiversity. There have been drastic upheavals in the relationships between society and nature in the last 150 years due to the strong demographic growth and constantly increasing anthropogenic pressure. Today, it is one of the regions in the world experiencing the greatest tensions, including economic, social, political, religious and environmental ones. The development of Conservation Sciences in the Mediterranean Basin is needed for finding new approaches allowing the conservation of biodiversity compatible with the development of human societies.

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CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

The main objective of this conference is **to create a scientific dynamism around the Mediterranean basin** about the stakes of conservation sciences.

Exchanging scientific knowledge and experiences should permit us to face the conservation challenges. This conference aims at scientific excellence by inviting high ranking lecturers, directed by Jacques Blondel as president of the scientific council, and by selecting high quality presentations.

The conference will also stimulate informal exchanges between young scientists with invited lecturers at the Tour du Valat estate, with its important biological value.

This will also be an opportunity to increase exchanges around the Mediterranean basin, by favouring access of young scientists from the south of the Mediterranean and by grouping the scientific and organisational committees from the two largest centres for Mediterranean ecology in France, IMBE in Aix-Marseille and CEFE/CNRS in Montpellier.