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the Asian Society of Arachnology



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Dear Colleagues,

Welcome you to attend the joint meeting of the Fourth Conference of Asian Society of Arachnology and the Fifteenth meeting of Arachnological Society of China, which will take place on October 9-13, 2017, in Guiyuan Hotel of Southwest University, Chongqing, China.

We are glad to announce that we have received 76 scientific contributions, whereof 57 talks and 19 posters. So far, 150 participants from 17 countries of North America, Oceania, Africa, Europe and Asia have registered, including five invited speakers. The spider behaviorist, Prof. Robert R. Jackson from University of Canterbury, New Zealand, previously invited as plenary speaker, will be absent from our meeting, due to some realistic reasons.

The time limit for oral presentations is confirmed as three grades (including discussion): **40 minutes** for plenary presentations, **20 minutes** for teachers and post-doctors and **15 minutes** for students. All powerpoint slides are suggested to be made under Microsoft Office 2013 and the aspect ratio of template is 4:3.

The poster presentation must be prepared in portrait orientation and the size of poster should be 1200mm*800mm. If you have difficulty to print or carry it, our volunteers can help you to print, but you have to pay it by yourself.

Although abstract submission has been closed, it is still possible to register with normal fee (1900 CNY for teachers and 1400 for students) on spot, but only RMB is receivable. You can pay by cash, credit card with UnionPay (银联) label, or Chinese debit card. Anyone who needs invoice or receipt, no matter when you paid the registration fee, should announce to the financial volunteers.

Your registration fee has covered meeting materials (bag, attendee card, handbook for program and abstracts, notebook and pen, etc.), welcome banquet (Oct. 9, 19:00-21:00), lunches of three days (Oct. 10, 11, 13), coffee breaks and payment for mid-meeting excursion, *etc.*

Your accommodation will be arranged after registration. It can be paid by credit card with

UnionPay or Chinese debit card. Your breakfasts will be included in the accommodation fee of Guiyuan Hotel, unless you choose other hotels. Due to very limited numbers of single-bed rooms of Guiyuan Hotel, most attendees are suggested to choose double-bed rooms, no matter you get room-mate or not. The prices of single-bed rooms and double-bed rooms are 328 CNY and 298 CNY per room respectively.

Your suppers will be decided and paid by yourselves on the basis of your tastes. There are some delicious local foods around the hotel. Some of them are listed in the *Outline of Chongqing foods*.

The fee for each accompanying person are 600 CNY, including welcome banquet, three lunches and mid-meeting excursion.

The Russia Party will be held in the evening of Oct. 11. We encourage you take some local foods, drinks and wines from your country or hometown to the conference and share them with other attendees.

The terminal 3 of Chongqing Jiangbei airport has been formally put into use since Aug. 29, which is 35.9 km away from the conference venue, Guiyuan Hotel of Southwest University. Coaches and taxis are suggested from T3 of CKG to Hotel. More detail, see the *guide for transportation*.

We strongly encourage you to share your print copies of papers, books and journals with colleagues during the conference with or without charges. The newly published book, *Chinese Spiders Illustrated* (中国蜘蛛生态大图鉴), will be handed out during this conference with discounted price for all attendees. And some other books on nature, published by Chongqing University Press will be exhibited.

Any more question you have, please do not hesitate to contact with us!

See you in Southwest University!


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