

# The International Biogeography Society

## 5<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference, Crete, 7-11 January 2011

The International Biogeography Society (IBS; <http://www.biogeography.org/>) is a non-profit organization, founded in 2000, with the mission to:



- Foster communication and collaboration between biogeographers in disparate academic fields.
- Increase both the awareness and interests of the scientific community and the lay public in the contributions of biogeographers.
- Promote the training and education of biogeographers so that they may develop sound strategies for studying and conserving the world's biota.

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The International Biogeography Society will hold its **5<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference in Crete, from 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2011**. Early registration is now open.

The core of the meeting will be four successive symposia on broad foundational and cutting-edge topics and approaches in biogeography and macroecology, each with a suite of leading international scientists as well as openings for contributed papers:

**(1) Mediterranean Biogeography: Where History Meets Ecology Across Scales** (Organizers: Spyros Sfenthourakis & Remy J. Petit).

**(2) New Perspectives on Comparative Phylogeography – Novel Integrative Approaches and Challenges** (Organizers: Ana Carnaval & Mike Hickerson).

**(3) Biogeography and Ecology: Two Lenses in One Telescope** (Organizers: Dave Jenkins & Robert E. Ricklefs).

**(4) Analytical Advancements in Macroecology and Biogeography** (Organizers: Alexandre Diniz-Filho & Carsten Rahbek).

The meeting also has six sessions of contributed papers on key topics: (i) **Island biogeography**, (ii) **Climate change biogeography**, (iii) **Conservation biogeography**, (iv) **Palaeoecology**, (v) **Marine biogeography**, and (vi) **Hot topics in Biogeography**.

Dr. Robert E. Ricklefs will give a keynote lecture after receiving the **Alfred Russel Wallace Award**, recognizing his lifetime of outstanding contributions to biogeography.

On the day just before and after the conference (7 and 11 January), there will be arranged **field excursions** to a number of Crete's most exciting historic and biogeographic locations. In addition, on 7 January, three **workshops** will be held: Spatial Analysis in Macroecology, Phylogenetic Analysis in Macroecology, and Communicating Biogeography.

For more information, see <http://www.biogeography.org/html/Meetings/index.html>.