

28 - 30 sept. 2012 - LA ROCHELLE

DEFINITIVE PROGRAM (June 2012)



Friday, September 28th

Registration of attendees

The desk for registration will open at the Museum at 10:00 h. A welcome packet will be provided to attendees with program, directory of attendees, information about La Rochelle and the Museum of Natural History, name tag, as well as tickets for general admission to the museum.

The Museum Cafeteria will be open for snacks and discussion/get together.

- Dealer table setup for mini bourse
- Possible Guided Tours to the Museum
- 16:00 18:00 Mini Bourse

Coffee/water/snacks will be available in Auditorium (included in registration cost)

18:00 Reception at the City Hall (with aperitif). There will be curators of all La Rochelle and Rochefort museums, the mayor of Rochefort and an official from La Rochelle's City Hall.

Saturday, September 29th

The registration desk will be open from 9:00 h.

9:30 Opening of the Meeting by António Monteiro (Chairman)
Opening remarks by the museum Director
Introduction of our Guest of Honour: Dr. Georges Richard

Morning sessions. Chairman: António Monteiro

- 10:00 Plenary Lecture by **Dr. George Richard** (Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle de La Rochelle Université de La Rochelle, La Rochelle, France): "A career strongly dedicated to Cones"
- 11:00 Coffee break (included in registration cost)
- 11:30 Session Lecture by **Michael Rabiller** (Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle de La Rochelle, La Rochelle, France): "The Muséum of La Rochelle and its Cone holdings, during and after renovation."
- 12:00 Session Lecture by **Howard Peters** (Facultad de Ciencias, University of York, York, UK): "Cone snails: Laying the groundwork for survival of the scarcest"
- 12:30 Session Lecture by **Dr. Eric Monnier** and **Loïc Limpalaër** (Paris, France): "Hidden biodiversity in Cone shells: Criteria that help species recognition and review of some complexes"
- 13:00 Lunch (at your own expense, a la carte) [local to be indicated]
- 14:15 Group photograph (immediately after lunch, by a professional photographer)

Afternoon sessions. Chairman: Bill Fenzan

- 14:30 Session Lecture by **Dr. Edward J. Petuch** (Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida, USA): "Biogeography of the Western Atlantic Cone Shells: A Three Province Approach"
- 15:00 Session Lecture by **Dr. Gabriella Raybaudi** (Rome, Italy): "A contribution to the study of distribution patterns in Indo-Pacific Cones"

15:30 Session Lecture by **Andre Poremski** (Arlington, Virginia, USA): "Insights within the Jaspidiconus jaspideus complex"

16:00 Coffee break (included in registration cost)

Workshops.

Chairmen: Manuel J. Tenorio/Arnold Zandbergen/Michael Rabiller

16:30 Workshops: presentation, group assembly and team work:

- Dissection and radular mounting
- Identification of juvenile cones
- Identification of cones in old text drawings
- 18:00 Mini bourse and Poster Session

Dinner at the Muséum. If the weather's fine, it will be in the garden. It will consist of local products: local aperitf: pineau, cognac, oysters, delicatessen, mussels, local vegetables, cheese and dessert. It will be a buffet, so people can move and talk. Dr. George Richard will be our guest of honour

Sunday, September 30th

9:00 Morning welcome/Announcements

Morning sessions Chairman : Manuel J. Tenorio

9:05 Plenary Lecture by **Prof. Dr. Philippe Bouchet** (Muséum Nationale d'Histoire Naturelle – Paris, France): "*Thirty years of tropical deepwater exploration: new cones from the Pacific and Indian oceans*"

10:00 Session Lecture by **Dr. Reto Stöcklin** (Atheris Laboratories, Geneve, Switzerland): "Venomics: From cone snail venoms to drugs"

11:00 Coffee break (included in registration cost)

11:30 Session Lecture by **Dr. Pierre Scoubas** (VenomeTech, Valbonne, France): "Sampling the cone biodiversity of Mayotte for drug discovery in the VENOMICS project"

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12:00 Rotation of groups for participation in workshops

- Dissection and radular mounting
- Identification of juvenile cones
- Identification of cones in old text drawings

(Chairman : Antonio Monteiro)

13:00 Official closing remarks

13:30 Lunch (at your own expense, a la carte) [local to be indicated]

Afternoon Possible group visit to the famous local Aquarium [details to be

announced]