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### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EVOLUTIONARY PATTERNS

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Under the theme of “Horizontal and Vertical Transmission and Micro- and Macroevolutionary Patterns of Biological and Sociocultural Evolution,” the third conference will convene in Lisbon, Portugal from 27–29 May, 2013. The four major themes of the meeting are: Conceptualizing, quantifying and modeling horizontal and vertical evolution in biological and sociocultural sciences; Conceptualizing, quantifying and modeling micro- and macroevolution in biological and sociocultural sciences; Hierarchy theory and the units, levels and mechanisms of evolution; and Unification of the biological and sociocultural sciences into an Extended Synthesis. For more information, check the website: <http://evolutionarypatterns.fc.ul.pt/>.

### WILD TROUT XI

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The Wild Trout Symposium brings together a broad and diverse audience of governmental agencies, nonprofit conservation groups, media representatives, educators, anglers, fishing guides, and business interests associated with trout fisheries to exchange technical information and viewpoints on wild trout management and related public policy. Held on October 1–4, 2013 at the (Old Faithful Inn) Yellowstone National Park, USA this conference will equip participants to better manage, preserve, and restore these significant but declining resources.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.wild-troutsymposium.org/wildTroutXI.php>.

### THE 10TH EUROPEAN DRY GRASSLAND MEETING

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European Dry Grassland Meetings (EDGM) join the cycle of the European Dry Grassland Group conferences devoted

to dry grassland of Europe. The 10th EDGM in 2013 will be held from May 24 to 31, 2013 in Zamość, Poland. Grasslands have come under threat from changes in land usage, the loss of extensive grazing and the subsequent natural succession, afforestation, and interference from alien species. To learn more about the EDGM [http://www.edgg.org/edgg\\_meeting\\_2013.html](http://www.edgg.org/edgg_meeting_2013.html).

### WORLD WATER WEEK

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With 2013 being declared by the UN as the “International Year of Water Cooperation” the world’s water professionals will meet in Stockholm, Sweden from September 1–6, 2013 for World Water Week. Hosted by the Stockholm International Water Institute, World Water Week is the annual focal point for discussion of and collaboration on global water issues. This year’s theme is “Water Cooperation—Building Partnerships.” Some workshops include: Science and Art of Water Cooperation, Bridging Land-Water-Ecosystem Divides, and Linking Science, Practice and Policy Under Increasing Complexity and Uncertainty. For more information, visit: <http://www.worldwaterweek.org>.

### PRINCE MAHIDOL AWARDS CONFERENCE

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Created in honor of the centenary anniversary of His Royal Highness Prince Mahidol of Songkla, the Prince Mahidol Awards conference (PMAC) celebrates individuals or institutions for outstanding performance and/or research that has global impact in the field of medicine and public health. With the theme of “A World United against Infectious Diseases: Cross-Sectoral Solutions” the PMAC will be held on January 28–February 2, 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand. The general objective of the annual Prince

Mahidol Award International Conference is to bring together leading public health leaders and stakeholders from around the world to discuss high priority global health issues, summarize findings and propose concrete solutions. It aims at being an international forum that Global Health Institutes, both public and private, can co-own and use for the advocacy and the seeking of international advices on

important global health issues. To learn more about the conference or to view past awards, please visit <http://www.pmaconference.mahidol.ac.th>.

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