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ECOHEALTH 2016 CAREER AWARDS

The Association is pleased to announce two awards to be nominated and selected for announcement at the 2016 EcoHealth conference in Melbourne, Australia: the “Outstanding Contribution to the Field of EcoHealth” award and the “Exceptional Early Career Contribution to the Field of EcoHealth” award. Nomination deadline is 10 April 2016. For award criteria and nomination instructions, please visit our career awards page at <https://ecohealth.net/ecohealth-2/awards/>.

GEO BON OPEN SCIENCE CONFERENCE

The GEO BON Open Science Conference on “Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services Monitoring for the 2020 Targets and beyond” will be held in Leipzig, Germany from July 4 to 9, 2016. The conference is open to the wide scientific public and will foster scientifically sound biodiversity monitoring by in situ and remote sensing methodologies, monitoring of ecosystem services, modeling of biodiversity at all scales and in all dimensions and especially encourage interdisciplinary research. It will show ways forward in biodiversity observation and the development of Essential Biodiversity Variables. The conference will accept submissions of abstracts versing any biodiversity monitoring topic, but will prioritize talks associated with the development of monitoring for Essential Biodiversity Variables. To submit an abstract, please visit <http://conf2016.geobon.org/>.

LIVING PLANET SYMPOSIUM 2016

The 2016 European Space Agency Living Planet Symposium follows the previous successful symposia held in Edinburgh (2013), Bergen (2010), Montreux (2007) and Salzburg (2004). The event will be held in Prague, Czech Republic from May 9 to 13, 2016. This year's themes include atmosphere, oceanography, cryosphere, land, hazards, climate and meteorology, solid earth/geodesy, near-earth environment, methodologies and products, open science 2.0. Registration to attend the event (free of charge) is now open. To register, please visit <http://lps16.esa.int/>.

ESA ANNUAL MEETING 2016

The Ecological Society of America's annual meeting will be held from August 7 to 12, 2016, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida with the theme: Novel Ecosystems in the Anthropocene. Building on the ESA's 2015 Centennial meeting—Ecological Science at the Frontier—the 101st annual meeting will support sessions that explore how ecosystem structure and function respond to multiple drivers of change, how resource managers can cope with developing novel ecosystems, and potential benefits and problems that society will face as we progress into the Anthropocene Epoch. For more information, please visit <http://esa.org/ftlauderdale/>.

AVOIDING CATASTROPHE CONFERENCE

Concordia University in Montreal, Canada will host the “Avoiding Catastrophe: Linking Armed Conflict, Harm to Ecosystems, and Public Health” from May 4 to 6, 2016. Gathering experts from the medical, epidemiological, vet-

erinary, conflict management, biodiversity conservation, climate change and political science communities, this conference will pursue an integrated understanding of the catastrophic combination of prolonged armed conflict, environmental alterations such as biodiversity loss, and challenges to the provision of public health, including emergent infectious diseases, nutrition, and mental health issues. Registration is free.

held at the Greek Peak Mountain Resort in central New York State. The plenary session will focus on the role of health in sustaining wildlife populations. There will be special sessions on Turtle Health and Bringing Social Sciences to Wildlife Research. Abstracts are currently being accepted. To learn more, visit <http://www.esa2016.org>.

65TH WDA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 65th International Conference of the Wildlife Disease Association will be held from July 31 to August 5, 2016. The meeting is hosted by Cornell University and will be