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INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ISLANDS AND EVOLUTION





First Circular and Registration
(<http://www.darwinislands.es>)

In 2009 we celebrate all over the world a double anniversary, 150 years from the publication of the *Origin of Species* and 200 years from Charles R. Darwin birthday. The University of Balearic Islands (UIB) launched a "**Darwin Year**" (<http://www.anydarwin.cat>) with several events during 2009.

One of these events will be the celebration of an **International Symposium on Islands and Evolution** that will take place from **14th to 17th September 2009 in Menorca (Balearic Islands, Spain)**. The aim of the symposium is to make a revision of different topics where insular studies had and have a deep influence on evolutionary theory, since Darwin and Wallace times to present day.

The symposium will have the support of the *Govern de les Illes Balears* (Regional Government of Balearic Islands), IEC (Institut d'Estudis Catalans), *Sa Nostra* Saving Bank, the *Consell Insular de Menorca* (Insular Council of Menorca), *Institut Menorquí d'Estudis* (IME, Menorcan Institute of Studies), the *Museu de Menorca* (Museum of Menorca), the *Ajuntament de Maó* and other regional and local sponsors.

Language

The official language of the symposium will be English

Location

The symposium will take place at ***Museu de Menorca*** in the town of **Maó** (Menorca, Balearic Islands, Spain).

Scientific Programme

The symposium will include three days of scientific sessions and one intermediate day for a field trip. Each scientific session will be open and closed by a plenary lecture of invited speakers (see below). Oral communications and workshops will be organized within each scientific session, as well as poster sessions. Invited speakers are leading figures of each research field of insular studies.

Scientific sessions will be devoted to the following topics:

- Island Biogeography
- Phylogeography and molecular evolution in islands
- Evolutionary ecology in islands



- Late insular evolution

Invited plenary lectures

We will host the following invited speakers:

Peter and Rosemary Grant (Princeton, USA)
(Opening plenary lecture)

Josep Antoni Alcover (Palma de Mallorca, Spain)

Samuel Berry (London, UK)

Jacques Blondel (Montpellier, France)

Thomas F. Glick (Boston, USA)

José María Fernández-Palacios (La Laguna, Spain)

Dennis Hansen (Stanford, USA)

Jens M. Olesen (Aarhus, Denmark)

Robert J. Whittaker (Oxford, UK)

After the symposium, a **scientific book**, published by the Menorcan Institute of Studies (IME), UIB and scientifically edited by the organizers (V. Pérez-Mellado & M.M. Ramón) will be produced. This volume will include all plenary lectures, as well as a selection of communications, after a peer review with external referees.

Accommodation



Several types of accommodation are offered to participants. From **** hotels to camping. For any query or reservation, please contact directly with **Magon Events** a company especially devoted to the organization of congresses and symposia. Magon events is a company of the travel agency **Viatges Magon S.A.** They will give you accommodation at special prices for participants and accompanying person. Magon events can organize not only your



accommodation but also the whole trip to Balearic Islands, including flight tickets reservations, car rental and any other requested service.



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Registration Fee

The inscription to the symposium will be **100 euros** for senior scientists, **60 euros** for students (certification required) and **40 euros** for accompanying persons. Fees will include the participation in scientific sessions, the book of abstracts, the field trip, Welcome Party, Closing Dinner, coffee breaks during the symposium and the scientific book published after the symposium.

For accompanying persons, fees will include the Welcome Party and Closing Dinner.

(Payment details will be given with the second circular)

(see more details at <http://www.darwinislands.es>)



PREINSCRIPTION FORM

First name:

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I will present an **oral** ☐ **poster** ☐ communication

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Registration will be restricted to 100 participants.

Preinscription forms will be accepted by rigorous order of registration.

(Only participants who send preinscription form will receive next circulars and all information of the symposium)