

Objective

This international seminar represents the Seventh European course on the biology and conservation of one of the most threatened animal groups. The course consists of 11 sessions grouped into three modules.

The first module will show the latest advances and current research on the biology of cetaceans and pinnipeds. In the second module, there will be practical demonstrations of laboratory techniques applied to the research on marine mammals. The third module will deal with aspects of management and strategies for species preservation, including marine protected areas, at European and world scales.

Registration and grants (limited places)

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Administrative Secretary opening hours*:
10,00 - 13,30 h.

Tuesday and Thursday:

17,00 - 19,00 h.

* CLOSED IN AUGUST

REGISTRATION: It is limited to a maximum of 100 participants and is subjected to current availability and order of receipt.

LANGUAGE: English (with simultaneous Spanish translation)

GRANTS: A limited number of grants are available for the course.

Applications should be submitted from 26th March to 15th July 2010.

REGISTRATION FEES: 129 Euros

DEADLINE: 8th September 2010
(if places are available)

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REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT:

Applicants must be university students or post-graduates.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION:

A registration form will be provided by the Student Office. Once this has been completed, it should be handed into the same office together with the following documentation:

- Photocopy of the passport
- Evidence that the applicant is at least a university or graduate student
- Original receipt showing payment of registration fees.

Students enrolled in first and second cycle, as well as any doctoral programs at public universities of Valencia, the Cardenal Herrera-CEU University and Catholic University of Valencia will be entitled to a 50% reduction in tuition fees.

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Seminar

SEMINAR VIII European Seminar on Marine Mammals: Biology and Conservation

Juan Antonio Raga
Peter Evans

Valencia
September 13-17, 2010

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Collaborators:





VIII European Seminar on Marine Mammals: Biology and Conservation

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September 13 - 17, 2010

Monday, 13th

08,30 h. Registration

09,00 h. Opening session

Juan Antonio Raga & Peter Evans

09,30 h. Life history strategies of marine mammals

Christina Lockyer

NAMMCO, Norway

12,00 h. Feeding ecology of marine mammals: techniques, problems and solutions?

Begoña Santos

Instituto Español de Oceanografía, Spain

16,00 h. Statistical modelling for cetacean habitat use, diet and life history

Graham Pierce

University of Aberdeen, UK

Tuesday, 14th

09,00 h. Assessment of marine mammal population size and status

Philip S. Hammond

University of St. Andrews, UK

11,30 h. Management of cetacean populations

Gregory P. Donovan

International Whaling Commission, UK

16,00 h. Impact of pollutants on marine mammals

Alex Aguilar

University of Barcelona, Spain

Wednesday, 15th

09,00 h. Practical sessions*: (1) Age determination & (2) Estimating population size using mark-recapture methods

COORDINATOR:

Juan Antonio Raga

PARTICIPANTS:

Christina Lockyer

Philip S. Hammond

16,00 h. Practical sessions*: (3) Identifying and quantifying cetacean diet & (4) Cetacean necropsy

COORDINATOR:

Peter Evans

PARTICIPANTS:

Graham Pierce

Begoña Santos

Juan Antonio Raga

* Practical sessions will be held in the Cavanilles Institute of Biodiversity and Evolutionary Biology at the Science Park of Valencia University. Only one of the four practical sessions offered can be chosen by each student.

Thursday, 16th

09,00 h. Parasitism in marine mammals

Juan Antonio Raga

11,30 h. Pathology of marine mammals

Mariano Domingo

Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain

16,00 h. Wind farms and marine mammals

Jonas Teilmann

Aarhus University, Denmark

17,30 h. Coffee round table

Free talks with the speakers

Friday, 17th

09,00 h. Behavioural ecology of marine mammals

Arne Bjørge

Institute of Marine Research, Norway

11,30 h. Conservation of marine mammals and the role of Marine Protected Areas in management

Peter Evans

13,30 h. Closing session