



6th World Conference on **MARINE BIODIVERSITY**

Penang, Malaysia | 2-5 July 2023

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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We have the greatest pleasure to welcome you to the 6th World Conference on Marine Biodiversity (WCMB 2023) which will take place from July 2nd to 5th, 2023 in Penang, Malaysia. The conference will gather participants from all continents of the world to discuss and share knowledge on all aspects of marine biodiversity in both its fundamentals and applied sciences.

Call for Special Symposia for WCMB 2023

The Organizing Committee encourages submission of proposals for special symposia to be held within this conference. These special symposia aim to provide a forum for a focused discussion on specific special topics, emerging issues, as well as innovative applications in the fields of marine biodiversity

A proposed special symposium may be constructed around a specific and clearly defined scientific theme or question of broad interest within the field of marine biodiversity. We are happy to accommodate each special symposium for up to 120 minutes (subject to discussion for extension of time) and will be led by a chair and at least, but limited to another co-chair.

Each Symposium will consist of at least 2 invited speakers and 2 presentations selected from submitted abstracts. Each invited speaker will be given 30 minutes and 15 minutes for contributed abstracts. The symposium will be open for participation from the WCMB 2023 participants.

We kindly ask the chairs and co-chair(s) of selected special symposia to make necessary arrangements for their speakers as WCMB 2023 organizers will not be able to support financially any cost incurred but we might be able to provide a special discount for symposium Chairs. Registration of speakers in the special symposia is also mandatory and prerequisite for participating.

Submission Guidelines

- 1) The official language of the conference is English
- 2) Provide a title and short description (300 words) of the proposed symposium
- 3) Please provide names and affiliations of the invited speakers and their indicative titles of the talks. We also encourage the chairs and co-chairs to list possible other speakers for the proposed symposium



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We look forward to welcoming you to Penang!

Best regards

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