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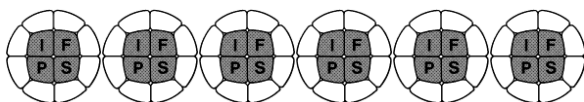
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Palaeobotany Conference (IOPC). This conference will be held between the 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2028 in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The venue is to be the Calgary TELUS Convention Centre, located in the centre of downtown Calgary. There will be fieldtrips to interesting areas of Canada both before and after the main conference proceedings in Calgary.

Manuel Bringué of the Geological Survey of Canada is heading up the organising committee and is finalising the scientific committee. The logo has recently been released, and the conference website and the 1<sup>st</sup> circular are both virtually ready to go live. Similarly, the consultants who have been hired to take care of logistics are presently constructing the portals for submissions of symposia and workshops; these should be ready by early July 2026.

I realise that this meeting is over two years away. However, if you have your 2028 diary, please enter the 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2028 (also see Appendix 2). We will keep you informed via this Newsletter and the IFPS website (<https://palyno-ifps.com/>).

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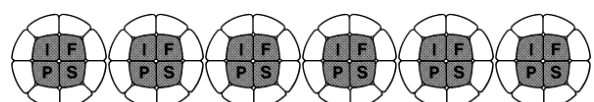
## IFPS BUSINESS

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**XVI IPC - XII IOPC**  
 CALGARY, CANADA  
 AUGUST 7 - 11, 2028

I am very pleased to announce that the planning for the next International Palynological Congress (IPC) is now well underway. This meeting will be the 16<sup>th</sup> in the series, and will be a joint conference with the 12<sup>th</sup> International Organisation of



## NEWS COUNCILLORS SAÚL MANZANO – APLE



Saúl is currently Associate Professor at the University of León, in Spain, and is a botanist by background that has been engaged in palynological studies from a botanical perspective since his undergrad. He defended his PhD at the University of Murcia (Spain) in 2018 on the paleoenvironmental history of Doñana and Sierra Nevada. His research interests later shifted toward the Quaternary palynology the Cape Floristic Region in SW South Africa where he develops modern reference collections, particularly on the Asteraceae, Proteaceae and Cape endemic plant lineages to support his palaeoecological investigations.

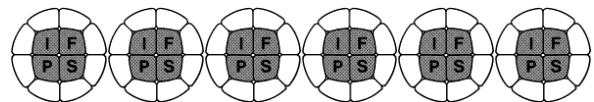


In 2021, he joined the University of León, where he established a paleopalynology laboratory (Quaternary Palynology Lab, Q-PAL) that provides external services and serves as the hub for all his research activity, both in the Cape and in sites across the Iberian Peninsula, where he works in peatlands and archaeological sites.

Saúl is deeply committed to teaching palynology and contribute actively to master's programs at several Spanish universities in addition to León (University of La Laguna, Pablo de Olavide University of Seville, University of Seville), as well as internationally (Stellenbosch University, Nelson Mandela University, and the University of Cape Town in South Africa). To date he develops active mentorship and training programs and he is always happy to host visiting scholars at any career degree. In that regard he is really excited to serve as a councillor at IFPS and aspire to foster collaborations between APLE members and other palynologists worldwide.

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## NEWS FROM IFPS SOCIETIES ALPP – SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS ON HERBARIUM DATA

Scientific contributions concerning the Herbarium of the laboratory of Palynostratigraphy and Paleobotany belonging to the CICYTTP (CONICE-ER-UADER) in Diamante, Entre Ríos province, Argentina, are listed below. The Herbarium LPPH is part of the RED HERBARIOS

ARGENTINA (Argentine Botanical Society) and the INDEX HERBARIORUM. Catalogs of pollen grains and spores of herbarized plants published are listed below. Also, some taxa are included in the PALDAT DATABASE

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Entre Ríos con énfasis en la ciudad de Diamante (Parte III). Boletín ALPP, v. 25, 62-134.

di Pasquo, M., Silvestri, L., Gómez, J., Fernández Pacella, L., Martínez Marignac, M. 2024. Catálogo polínico de especies arbóreas cultivadas y nativas de la provincia de Entre Ríos con énfasis en la ciudad de Diamante. (Parte II). Boletín ALPP, v. 24. p. 420-442

di Pasquo, M., Silvestri, L., Di Nardo, J., Fernández Pacella, L., Gómez, J., Kavali, P., Martínez Marignac, V., Ticona, Y., Quetglas, M., Vilá, J. 2024. Pollen of *Passiflora suberosa* L. in excrements of the caterpillar of *Agraulis vanillae maculosa* Stichel. Boletín ALPP, v. 24, 1-30.

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These publications and conference abstracts are all available at scientific websites: <http://www.palino.com.ar>

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## **APPLE – NEW STEERING COMMITTEE MEETS FOR A FIRST, STRATEGIC MEETING.**

The newly elected Steering Committee of the Asociación de Palinólogos de Lengua Española (Association of Spanish-Language Palynologists, APLE) recently held its first strategic meeting at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid.

The primary objective of this session was to draft the society's comprehensive action plan for the upcoming 2026–2030 period. A major focus of the discussions was enhancing APLE's external visibility through a major modernization of its digital communication infrastructure. The Committee agreed to transform its traditional communication channels into a dynamic online platform designed to share outreach content and recent papers. Improving social media presence and the dissemination of job opportunities, grants, and research projects also emerged as top communication priorities. Special attention was dedicated to the planning of the historic celebration of the association's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, which will take place in 2028. Cultivating institutional relations remains a cornerstone of the new strategy, with goals to boost APLE's active presence in major scientific events such as MedPalynoS (including the Spanish, Italian and French palynological associations) celebrating its next edition in Vannes (France) between the 28<sup>th</sup> June and 1<sup>st</sup> July 2027, or the Spanish Botanical Society's (SEBOT) meetings soon to be held in Albacete (November 2026) and Salamanca (July 2027).

Furthermore, the association aims to expand its international network by strengthening ties with Portuguese, Brazilian, and Latin American societies. This includes active

collaboration in upcoming conferences like MedPalynoS. To foster scientific exchange, APLE aims to launch a series of educational initiatives, including seminars and specialized working groups. These activities will target early-career researchers and promote training.



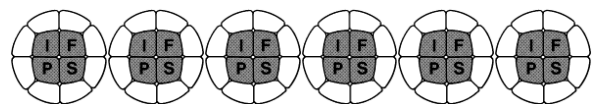
**Figure 1.** APLE Steering Committee, from left to right Yolanda, Pérez Pérez, María Plaza García, Antonio Picornell, Saúl Manzano, Lourdes López Merino & David Rodríguez de la Cruz.

Finally, the Board reviewed financial strategies to ensure long-term stability and to support the next generation of palynologist while committing to a model of open governance. This approach will encourage active participation, transparent decision-making, and closer collaboration among all members to collectively shape the society's future. If you are interested in participating, please contact APLE:

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# FUTURE MEETINGS

## 2026

### 2026 PALAEO-NOMA 2026, BONN, GERMANY, 22<sup>ND</sup>-27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026

This summer, Bonn University will host a week-long programme centred on two things that underpin much of environmental and palaeoenvironmental research: biological nomenclature and open data stewardship.

The week begins with the Nomenclature (Madrid Code) Workshop (23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> August), led by Dr Julia Gravendyck. This workshop introduces how fossil and living organisms are formally named, how nomenclatural rules operate in practice, and why debates over names matter for scientific communication, data integration, and long-term research comparability.

From 26-27<sup>th</sup> August, the focus shifts to data management. In the hands-on Neotoma Workshop, Dr Steffen Wolters will guide participants through preparing, validating, and uploading palaeoenvironmental datasets using Tilia as an interface to the Neotoma Palaeoecology Database. Emphasis is placed on practical workflows, including metadata preparation, data validation, and responsible contribution to shared research infrastructure.

The programme is designed to be accessible at all career stages and may be especially useful for master's students and early-career researchers navigating nomenclature rules or preparing their first datasets for open repositories.

Participants may register for either workshop individually or attend the full programme. The week opens with an evening welcome event at the Botanical Gardens, offering space for discussion and connection ahead of the workshops.

There are still some spots available. For more information, please check the appendix 1.

### 2026 SAPP – AASP, TRELEW, ARGENTINA, 8-11 SEPTEMBER 2026



The 19<sup>th</sup> Argentine Symposium on Paleobotany and Palynology will be celebrating jointly with the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the AASP-The Palynological Society in Trelew, Argentina in September 8-11, 2026. We are pleased to announce that the **abstract submission deadline** has been extended to **June 30, 2026**. In addition, the early bird registration deadline has also been extended, giving participants more time to benefit from reduced registration fees.

Each participant may submit a maximum of two abstracts. However, there is no limit to the number of abstracts on which an individual may appear as a co-author.

Abstracts must be submitted exclusively by email. Please download the abstract template from our website: <https://palynology.org/58th-aasp-tps-and-19th-sapp/> and follow the formatting instructions carefully.

Please send your abstract to: [trelew2026@gmail.com](mailto:trelew2026@gmail.com)

Participants may submit their work to thematic sessions or to general sessions covering broader areas within the discipline.

We encourage you to take advantage of the extended deadlines and join us in what promises to be an exciting and engaging scientific meeting.

## **Socials: Business Luncheon and Conference Dinner**

This event is very important for the AASP-TPS. It forms part of our society's constitution that we hold this event to disseminate annual reports to the members. HOWEVER, don't be deceived, this is a social occasion! The lunch will be at a local restaurant ([GOAT](#)) where ample Argentinian flavours will be on offer. The Board of Directors give a brief overview of the society's past year, look forward to the next and take questions from members. Non-members are more than welcome too. The conference Dinner plans are

## **Discover Patagonia: Join Our Field Trips!**

Enhance your conference experience by participating in our exciting field trips organized as part of the SAPP–AASP-TPS 2026 Meeting in Trelew, Argentina.

These excursions offer a unique opportunity to explore the remarkable geological and paleontological landscapes of Patagonia, one of the most iconic regions in the Southern Hemisphere. From fossil-rich formations to stunning natural scenery, each trip is designed to combine scientific insight, hands-on learning, and unforgettable experiences in the field.

Whether you are interested in stratigraphy, paleobotany, palynology, or simply want to immerse yourself in the natural beauty of the region, our field trips provide something for everyone.

Spots are limited, and we expect strong interest—we encourage you to plan ahead and secure your place early.

Learn more about the available field trips, itineraries, and registration details on our website:

<https://palynology.org/58th-aasp-tps-and-19th-sapp/>

Don't miss this opportunity to connect science with landscape and make the most of your time in Patagonia!

## **Pre-Meeting Courses – Expand Your Skills!**

Take advantage of a unique opportunity to deepen your expertise by joining our pre-meeting courses:

- Paleobryology
- Patagonian flora in an evolutionary context
- Tools for science communication: a perspective from the natural sciences

These courses are designed to provide focused, high-quality training led by experienced specialists.

Find the courses' details here: <https://palynology.org/58th-aasp-tps-and-19th-sapp/>

Start your conference experience with new knowledge, new connections, and fresh inspiration!

For questions or further information please write to: [trelew2026@gmail.com](mailto:trelew2026@gmail.com)

Check our website <https://palynology.org/58th-aasp-tps-and-19th-sapp/> for the latest information regarding the event.

See you in Trelew!

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## **2026 12TH EUROPEAN PALAEOBOTANY AND PALYNOLOGY CONFERENCE (EPPC), MÜNSTER, GERMANY, 20-24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2026**

The next EPPC Conference will take place in Münster, Germany, in 2026, co-hosted by the Palaeobotany Group (University of Münster) and the LWL-Museum of Natural History in Münster, Westphalia, Germany. For detailed information, please check Appendix 4 in this issue. Important: The deadline for proposals for symposia is September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025! Please

send your proposals to Christian Pott at christian.pott(at)lwl.org.

### **2026 PALYNOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF CHINA (PSC) CONFERENCE, 2026, ZHENGDIING, HEBEI PROVINCE, 2026**

More information will be available here in due times, or on:  
<http://www.chinapsc.cn/zyfh/bfxfh/en/about>

## **2027**

### **2027 XXII INQUA CONGRESS IN LUCKNOW, INDIA, FEBRUARY 2027**

The next INQUA Congress will take place Lucknow's Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeosciences between 28<sup>th</sup> January and 3<sup>rd</sup> February. The call for **INQUA Travel Grants** to support the attendance of early career and scientists from developing countries outside India is now open, with **application deadline next 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026** ([application form](#)). You can find all details about the conference available at the website <https://www.bsip.res.in>.

### **2027 MEDPALYNOS MEETING**

The next joint meeting of the Spanish, French and Italian palynological societies will take place in Vannes (France), between 28<sup>th</sup> June and 1<sup>st</sup> July. More information will be available in due times.

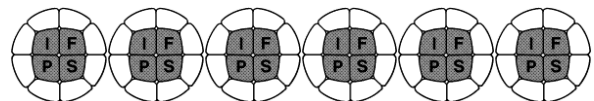
### **2027 11TH NPP WORKSHOP IN VILNIUS, LITHUANIA**

The next NPP Workshop will take place in Lithuania in 2027. More information will be available in due times.

## **2028**

### **2028 XVI IPC / XII IOPC MEETING, CALGARY, ALBERTA, CANADA**

The 16<sup>th</sup> IPC and 12<sup>th</sup> IOPC will be held August 7–11, 2028, in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The meeting will take place at the Calgary TELUS Convention Centre, located in the heart of downtown Calgary. Potential field trips may include visits to the Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology, the Late Cretaceous deposits in Dinosaur Provincial Park (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), the K–Pg boundary exposure at Dry Island Buffalo Jump Provincial Park, and several Paleocene fossil plant localities of the Paskapoo Formation. The scientific committee has been formed and the conference website will be released in early summer 2026. Similarly, the 1<sup>st</sup> circular will be released soon, so don't miss anything from your societies!



## CURRENT IFPS AFFILIATED SOCIETIES AND COUNCILLORS

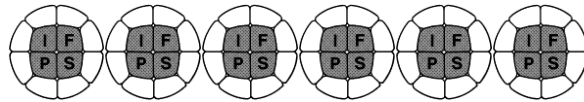
The current list of the IFPS officers and IFPS councillors is provided below. The IFPS president (James B. Riding), IFPS secretary-treasurer (Fabienne Marret-Davies), IFPS editor of *PALYNOS* (Encarni Montoya), and the IFPS Web-Master (Sandra Brügger) should be informed of any errors or necessary changes. Please inform the IFPS Officers of possible website or email address changes.

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## APPENDIX 1: PALAEO NOMA 2026



# PalaeoNoma 2026

Nomenclature  
& Neotoma

Only few places left!

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# Schedule

Attend Part 1 & 2  
separately or  
together

Tools for Data Harmonization in Palaeoecology  
**Nomenclature (Madrid Code) & Neotoma Workshop**

		Part 1: Nomenclature			Part 2: Neotoma			
		Sunday 23.08.26 Grawedyck	Monday 24.08.26 Grawedyck	Tuesday 25.08.26 Grawedyck	Wednesday 26.08.26 Wolters	Thursday 27.08.26 Wolters	Friday 28.08.26	
08:30-08:45	Room Open	Registration						Arrival Day
08:45-09:00	Syllabus, Housekeeping	Welcome	Morning Notes	Morning Notes	Morning Notes	Morning Notes		
09:00-10:30	Morning Session 1	Nom. Session 1	Nom. Session 5	Nom. Session 9	Neotoma 1	Neotoma 5		
10:30-10:50	Coffee Break	20 Min Break	20 Min Break	20 Min Break	20 Min Break	20 Min Break		
10:50-12:30	Morning Session 2	Nom. Session 2	Nom. Session 6	Nom. Session 10	Neotoma 2	Neotoma 6		
12:20-13:30	Lunch	Lunch at Leisure	Mensa	Mensa	Mensa	Mensa		
13:30-15:00	Afternoon Session 1	Nom. Session 3	Nom. Session 7	Discussion	Neotoma 3	Neotoma 7		
15:00-15:15	Coffee Break	15 Min Break	15 Min Break		15 Min Break	15 Min Break		
15:15-17:15	Afternoon Session 2	Nom. Session 4	Nom. Session 8	Guided Tour Research Museum Koenig	Neotoma 4	Neotoma 8		
17:30-18:30	Activities	Guided Tour Born City 1	Guided Tour Botanical Gardens (C. Lohne)		Guided Tour Botanical Gardens (tbd)	Guided Tour Born City 2		
18:30-19:30	Evening	18:30 - 21:00 Registration & Ice Breaker Part 1 @ Schloss Terrace with Pizza, Beer & Wine						
19:30-20:30		Dinner @ leisure	Dinner @ leisure	19:30-open End: "Conference" Dinner @ Havana /Ice Breaker Part 2	Dinner @ leisure	19:00-open End: Good Bye Dinner @ tbd		
20:30-21:30								

## Price

		Part 1 Nomenclature 23-25.08.26 (3 Days)	Part 2 Neotoma 26-27.08.26 (2 Days)	Part 1 & 2 Nomenclature & Neotoma 23-27.08.26 (5 Days)
Regular 01.06.2026 - 16.08.2026	Student (Bachelor, Master)	20 €	15 €	25 €
	Researcher	70 €	50 €	100 €

## Nomenclature (23-25. August – 3days)

- How to describe a new fossil species?
- How to choose the correct name from various synonyms?
- What is a recombination?

... if you don't know the answer to these questions  
... If you deal with taxonomy regularly

Then this workshop is for you!

We will introduce you to the basics of nomenclature using the *International Code of Nomenclature for algae, fungi, and plants* (ICNafp); tailored to fossil workers.

You will learn: ...

- how to achieve effective and valid publication
- the difference between a legitimate and a correct name
- how to apply the “nomenclature filter” to determine the correct name among synonyms
- How to decide which Code of Nomenclature to use for ambiregna taxa (e.g. Protists, NPP taxa)

We will provide you with the basic knowledge on nomenclature and taxonomy needed to support your publications and database work (e.g. Neotoma)

**This is an (absolute) beginner-level class.**

If some of these terms seem intimidating at first, don't worry – that's completely normal.

Like any (sub-)discipline, there is some vocabulary to learn, but you will quickly get used to it. What really matters is logical thinking and problem-solving, and we will practice these skills using hands-on examples.

If you have examples of your own, feel free to bring them along; we can discuss them together.

Instructor: Dr. Julia Gravendyck  
Lecturer for Systematic Botany, Uni Bonn  
Vice Rapporteur for the ICNafp



## Neotoma (26-27. August – 2 days)



How to work with Eric Grimm's iconic Tilia software and its taxonomy?

How to share my palaeoenvironmental data?

How to use and curate the Neotoma Paleocology Database?

... if you don't know the answer to these questions

... if you want to contribute data or  
become a Neotoma data steward

Then this workshop is for you!

We will introduce you to the structure of Tilia software and its embedded taxonomy for managing and graphing your own data and using it as an interface to Neotoma Paleocology Database

You will learn: ...

- how to format your own data and metadata in Tilia for sharing it with the community
- how to access data stored in Neotoma Paleocology Database with Tilia and with the help of the Neotoma2 R package
- how Tilia/Neotoma taxonomy is organised and how the taxa tables are curated

We will provide you with the basic knowledge on setting up and formatting your palaeo data in Tilia and train you in data stewardship tools and best practice.

**This class addresses beginners and advanced users alike.**

If this is your first encounter with Tilia software, don't worry – take your own data and we help you to get started.

If you have already made experience with Tilia/Neotoma taxonomy and feel a bit unhappy because of incomplete taxa tables or contradicting nomenclature — here's the chance to learn how to improve the database. Use the chance to discuss specific problems of data harmonization with your fellow researchers.

Take advantage of the nomenclature class and apply your knowledge in practice with the Tilia taxa tables.

Instructors:

Dr. Steffen Wolters  
Senior Researcher  
NIHK Wilhelmshaven  
Neotoma data steward

Dr. Petr Kuneš  
Associate Professor,  
Charles University Prague  
Neotoma data steward

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Is the palynological society founded by Gunnar Erdtmann in 1969 for the Nordic Countries. Today it welcomes all palynologists. CPS publishes the journal GRANA and was kind enough to offer sponsorship to further palynological cooperation.

We will meet in "Havanna", one of the lively and welcoming bar-restaurants in Poppelsdorf. Located just five minutes from the workshop venue, this district is home to a diverse mix of students and local residents and offers nice food as well as a good cocktails and mocktails.

The dinner will serve...

as a farewell event for participants of Part I  
and a welcome gathering for those joining Part II.

Participants attending both parts will have the opportunity to network with colleagues arriving and departing, bringing together all attendees of the workshop.

Thanks to the generous support of the Collegium Palynologicum Scandinavicum, we look forward to an enjoyable evening of shared enthusiasm for impressions, getting to know one another better, and good company among fellow palynologists and palaeontologists.





## Activities

We are offering a number of optional activities to introduce participants to Bonn and its scientific collections.

These will include **(1) guided walks through the city and along the Rhine** with views of the 'Seven Mountains', as well as **(2) tours of the Botanic Gardens** with our curator, Cornelia Löhne, and **(3) the Research Museum Koenig** with Dr. Katharina Schmidt-Loske, head of the Biohistoricum.

Activities can be booked at the registration desk during the workshop.



Dr. Katharina Schmidt-Loske, Head of the Bonn Biohistoricum, will guide us through the

**Research Museum Koenig**. While the museum focuses primarily on zoology, it also includes an immersive rainforest diorama.



Dr. Cornelia Löhne, our curator offers a **guided tour of the Botanic Gardens**, and will share fun plant knowledge and some curious history of names.

# Plan your trip

## Getting to Bonn

Bonn is well connected by international and national transport networks and can be reached easily by plane or train.

### By plane

The most convenient international airports are Düsseldorf Airport (DUS) and Frankfurt Airport (FRA). Both offer rail connections to Bonn.

From Düsseldorf, direct regional and long-distance trains via Cologne reach Bonn in ca. 1–1.5 hours.

From Frankfurt Airport, high-speed ICE trains connect to Siegburg/Bonn or Cologne, with onward connections to Bonn, typically within 1.5–2.5 hours.

Cologne Bonn Airport (CGN) is the geographically closest regional airport. From the airport, Bonn can be reached in approximately 25–35 minutes by taxi or via public transport (bus SB60 to Bonn Central Station / Bonn Hauptbahnhof).

### By train

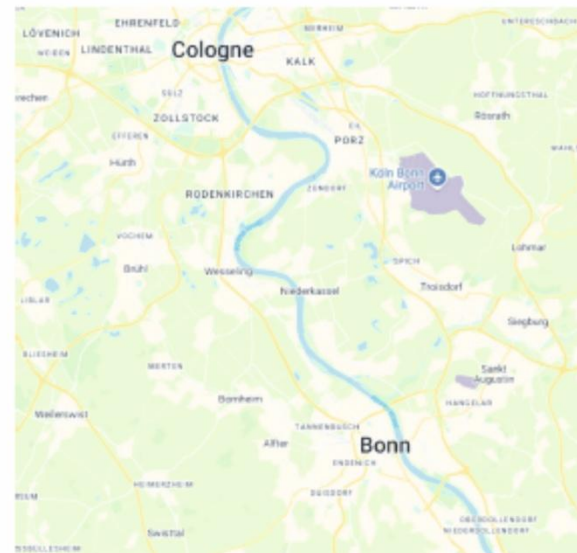
Bonn is served by regular regional and long-distance trains. The main station is Bonn Hauptbahnhof (Hbf).

High-speed ICE trains also stop at Siegburg/Bonn station, from where Bonn can be reached in approximately 20 minutes by tram line 66.

### Getting around in Bonn

Bonn has a reliable public transport system of trams and buses connecting all parts of the city via Bonn Hauptbahnhof (main station).

The workshop venue is located in Poppelsdorf, a district adjacent to the city centre that hosts most of the natural science institutes. It is within walking distance of the main station (approx. 10–15 minutes), making it easily accessible without the need for additional transport.



# Plan your trip

## Accommodation

We recommend staying in/near Poppelsdorf, which is within walking distance of the workshop venue and close to the city centre.

Alternatively, accommodation around Bonn Hauptbahnhof (main station) is also convenient, as the venue can be reached on foot (10–15 min).

Bonn offers a wide range of options but all with limited number of rooms, including hotels, guesthouses, and short-term rentals. As Bonn can be busy at times, we recommend booking accommodation soon.

On the right, you find a selection of accommodation options. We suggest using Google Maps to locate the venue and search for suitable places nearby. Sharing rooms or renting apartments can also help when traveling on a budget.

**Best Western Hotel President** – closest Hotel, centrally located in Poppelsdorf, within walking distance (5 Minutes walk) of the venue and surrounded by cafés and restaurants. (4 star, 100–130€ per night, 5 min. walk)

**IntercityHotel Bonn** – directly at the main station, convenient for arrivals by train (4 star, 75–120€ per night, 10–15 min. walk)

**Tante ALMA Hotel Bonn** – a simple boutique-style hotel in Poppelsdorf (75–120€ per night)

**Hotel Motel One Bonn-Hauptbahnhof** - standard hotel chain (3 star, 75–120€ per night, 15–20 min. walk)

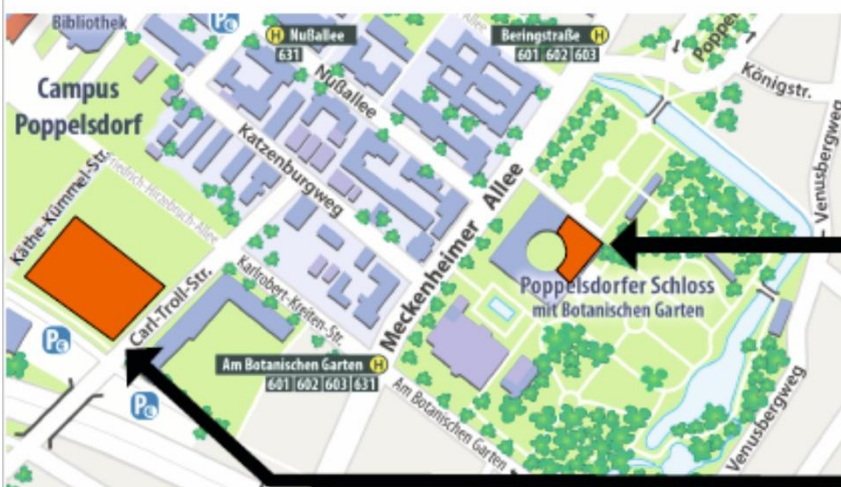
**City Hotel Mozart** – a smaller hotel near the main station with good access to the venue (3 star, 75–120€ per night, 10–15 min. walk)

**Hotel am Roonplatz** – a simple but close accommodation option (70–100€ per night, 10 min. walk)

**Max Hostel** (hostel, 40–50€ per night, 30 min. walk)

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\*Price estimates given above were retrieved March 2026 and are subject to change based on demand



## Venues

**Part I: Nomenclature**  
Poppelsdorf Castle,  
Garden Hall  
Meckenheimer Allee 169,  
53115 Bonn

**Part II: Tilia & Neotoma**  
Biology Rotation Building  
Ground Floor Seminar Room  
Käthe-Kümmel-Strasse 1,  
53115 Bonn

We are looking forward  
to meeting you in Bonn



**Dr. Julia Gravendyck (Part I)**  
Lecturer for Systematic Botany, Uni Bonn (Germany)  
Vice Rapporteur for the *International Code of Nomenclature for algae, fungi, and plants*



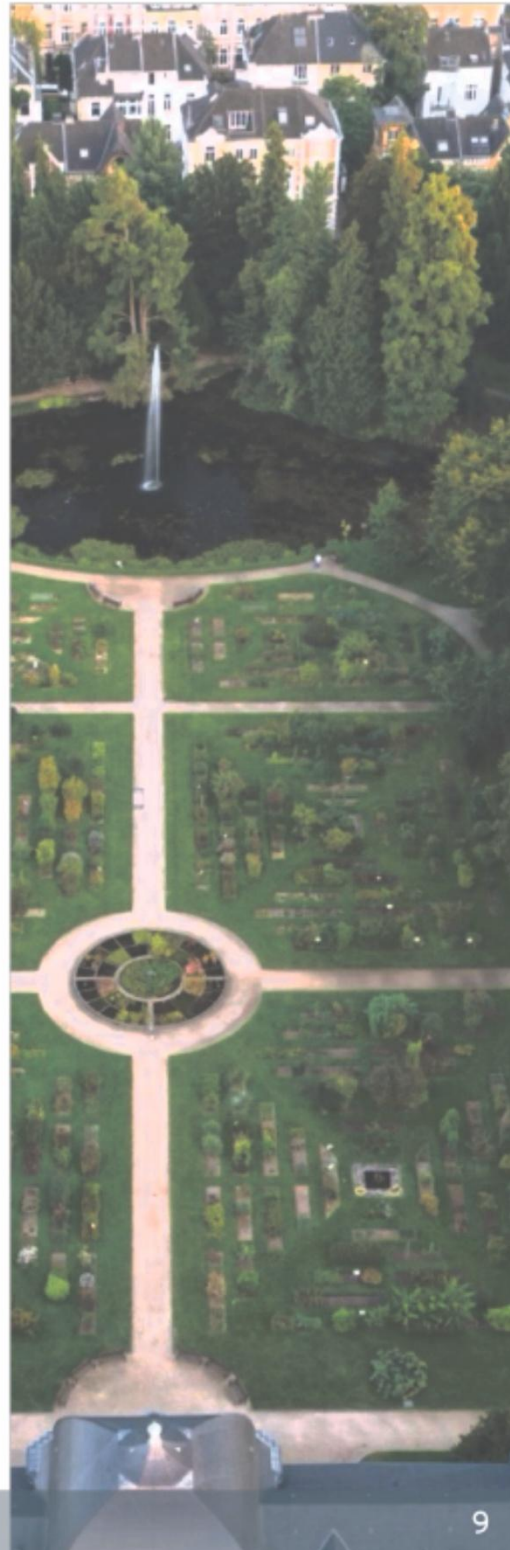
**Dr. Steffen Wolters (Part II)**  
Head of the Vegetation History Unit, Lower Saxony Institute  
for Historical Coastal Research Wilhelmshaven (Germany)  
Neotoma Data Steward



**Dr. Petr Kuneš (Part II)**  
Head of Plant Ecology Unit, Department of Botany,  
Faculty of Science, Charles University Prague (Czechia)  
Neotoma Data Steward



**Dr. Lyudmila Shumilovskikh (Organizing Team)**  
Researcher, Uni Göttingen (Germany)  
Coordinator of Non-Pollen Palynomorph Image Database



# Register Now

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Should you have any questions send us an email via  
[palaeonoma2026@gmail.com](mailto:palaeonoma2026@gmail.com)

As this is a small-scale event, we will send you an invoice for the registration fee after you complete the registration form.



View over "Südstadt" (Southern part of the City) from the University Castle, arrow heads indicate 5 of the seven mountains that might have inspired the Brothers Grimm for Snow White;  
Foto: Dr. Tim Böhnert

## APPENDIX 2: XVI IPC – XII IOPC 2028


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We look forward to welcoming you to IPC–IOPC 2028!



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