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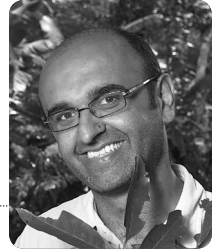


WELCOME MESSAGES

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT OF ATBC



**PROFESSOR
ROBIN CHAZDON**
Executive Director



**PROFESSOR
YADVINDER MALHI**
President

Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation (ATBC)

Welcome to the 2018 ATBC meeting in Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia, where a new experience awaits. We are excited to host the first ATBC meeting in Malaysia, together with the Asia-Pacific Chapter. We anticipate long and stimulating days full of intellectual excitement, interactions with colleagues, old friends, and new collaborators, mentees and mentors amidst the beautiful surroundings that blend culture, history, and nature. If you are new to an ATBC meeting, don't be shy to approach speakers, whether early career or senior. We are sure you will find us a friendly community.

Founded in 1963, the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation (ATBC) is a membership corporation, international in scope, membership, and objectives, functioning as an international body to foster scientific understanding and conservation of tropical ecosystems by supporting research, collaboration, capacity building, and communication among tropical biologists and conservationists. The ATBC, currently with members from over 65 countries, composes a broad community of tropical biology professionals and provides outlets for research dissemination, educational and funding opportunities, particularly for early career scientists working across the tropics. As a diverse community of science professionals, the ATBC provides a credible, collective, and authoritative vision of tropical biology and conservation issues that underpin public policy and management action. Our journal, *Biotropica*, is the leading international journal on tropical biology, and publishes six issues per year on-line.

Starting with the Asia-Pacific and Student and Early Career Scientist Chapters, new regional and thematic chapters are forming to provide more outlets for collaboration, communication, and regional networking. The Africa chapter has been established and the Latin America chapter is being born. The ATBC also offers a Mentoring program, Skills Workshops and Short Courses. The Conservation Chapter works actively to focus on important issues where ATBC resolutions and declarations can have an impact on decision making and mobilizing conservation actions around the tropics. We offer many ways to become involved.

ATBC provides tiered membership options for students and regular members regardless of economic status, and provides a limited number of travel grants to annual meetings. We aim to be supportive, inclusive, participatory, transparent, and multidisciplinary in all of our activities and events.

Please join us as a member to receive the maximum benefits of our global society. We are always looking for more ways to engage members. If you would like to get more involved in ATBC, please do approach us or any other members of Council – we're always happy to have a chat.

Please visit our website for more information (<http://tropicalbiology.org>) as well as our Facebook pages ATBC and Tropical Biology and Conservation Forum) and Twitter feed (@tropiciocon)

Enjoy your week at this wonderful meeting and beautiful location!



WELCOME MESSAGES

CHAIR AND CO-CHAIR OF ATBC 2018



**AHIMSA
CAMPOS-ARCEIZ**

*Chair
ATBC 2018*



**MOHD-AZLAN
JAYASILAN**

*Co-Chair
ATBC 2018*

We are most pleased to see the 55th Annual Meeting of the ATBC and the 2018 meeting of ATBC Asia-Pacific Chapter taking place in Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia, Southeast Asia. Never before has the work of tropical biologists and conservationists been as necessary as it is now, in the Anthropocene. With a global human population of over 7.5 billion (and growing!) and an economic paradigm based on consumerism and perpetual growth, we humans are putting unsustainable pressures on the world's biodiversity and natural systems. This is particularly true in the tropics, where most of the world's biodiversity is found.

ATBC 2018's theme is 'Linking Natural History with the Conservation of Tomorrow's Tropical Ecosystems'.

With this theme we want to highlight the importance of natural history because, if we want to conserve tropical biodiversity, we need a robust scientific understanding of how nature works. But we also know that science is necessary but not enough to do effective conservation. That's why in ATBC 2018 we want to avoid silos and intend to engage a range of academic disciplines, professional sectors, and social stakeholders. Together, we will exchange knowledge about tropical biodiversity and discuss the ways for its effective conservation. Diversity, in its many dimensions, has been a core value of the development of this conference, and we hope that everyone feels included and welcome to the conference.

Kuching is a superb location for ATBC's return to tropical Asia. The capital of the Malaysian state of Sarawak, Kuching, is an extremely welcoming and pleasant town where ATBC delegates will enjoy – as Alfred Russel Wallace once did – the beauty of its riverfront, the vibrance of its streets, and the excellence of the local cuisine. Sarawak, as the rest of Borneo and much of Southeast Asia, is home to a wide range of human cultures and to some of the most biodiverse forests in the world. We hope the ATBC 2018 delegates will be exposed to some of this stunning diversity, as well as to the conservation issues faced here and elsewhere in the tropics.

At the time of writing these lines, ATBC 2018 has nearly 800 delegates from over 60 countries. Roughly 42% of these delegates are students. We have a diverse program that includes six keynote presentations, two panel discussions, 35 oral symposia, nearly 50 general oral sessions, and two poster sessions. Besides the core program elements, we have 12 pre and post conference training workshops led by members of the ATBC community that generously contribute their time to provide important capacity building opportunities. We have as well lunch-time soft skill training opportunities, mentoring circles, and a number of closed meetings to discuss key issues for the ATBC community. On the evenings of 2nd to 4th of July, we have also scheduled three interesting science cafes in a lovely venue (Old Court House), which we encourage you to join.

Many people have worked very hard for the organization of this conference. Special thanks are needed to the Local Organizing Committee (nearly 20 people from 10 different organizations), the Scientific Committee (10 people from different parts of the globe) and the conference secretariat. All of whom have generously worked to make this conference rich in content and pleasant for the delegates.

We hope that all ATBC 2018 delegates have a great experience in Kuching. We also hope that this conference leaves a legacy, inspiring young tropical biologists and conservationists, promoting knowledge-exchange and collaboration, and leading to a real impact in our understanding and conservation of tropical ecosystems.

Selamat Datang!



WELCOME MESSAGES

THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM MALAYSIA

PROFESSOR GRAHAM KENDALL

*Provost and Chief Executive Officer
The University of Nottingham Malaysia*



The University of Nottingham Malaysia is proud to be the host institution of ATBC 2018, the 55th annual meeting of the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation, in Kuching, Malaysia.

Universities are powerful institution and agents of social transformation. They play a vital role in driving economic and social development through both the provision of education and through research, innovation, and knowledge transfer.

The University of Nottingham Malaysia provides a British education in an Asian setting and are among the highest performers in independent teaching and research assessments in Malaysia. We are recognized for our academic breadth, the quality of our education and an outstanding student experience. Our graduates are known for their critical thinking, creativity, global outlook, and entrepreneurship. Since its establishment in 2000, the University of Nottingham Malaysia has developed into a friendly, vibrant, and multicultural community of staff.

Increasingly, this community and our campus are also known for our commitment with environmental sustainability. Our academics and students take advantage of our prime Southeast Asian location and conduct high quality research in tropical biology and conservation, including studies on freshwater systems, community-based forestry, landscape ecology, conservation planning, and the conservation of Asian tropical megafauna.

We wish a great academic meeting to all ATBC 2018 delegates and hope this conference will help inspire to our students and other young tropical biologists and conservationists from the region.



WELCOME MESSAGES

UNIVERSITI MALAYSIA SARAWAK

PROFESSOR DATUK DR. MOHAMAD KADIM SUAIDI

*Vice Chancellor
Universiti Sarawak Malaysia*



From its inception, UNIMAS has put biodiversity and environmental conservation at the forefront of its research niche and agenda, through the establishment of the Faculty of Resource Science and Technology (FRST) and the Institute of Biodiversity and Environmental Conservation (IBEC). With these two hubs, UNIMAS' commitment increased two-fold, firstly, by identifying measures to enhance sustainable management of Sarawak's natural resources and secondly, via establishing collaborations with local communities, governmental and non-governmental agencies, as well as national and international researchers, to study conservation needs for tropical biodiversity and environmental conservation.

The synergy between State Agencies and UNIMAS is significant; not only do both benefit through the conservation of biodiversity and environment, it also highlights our expertise and skill in research, and at the same time, motivates our young researchers who come to UNIMAS to learn about biodiversity, in order to enhance their experience through industrial training at relevant agencies.

In line with the rapid developments in the forestry industry and the increasing awareness of the need to conserve these resources, this meeting is indeed substantial and with considerable impact within the current context of Malaysia's rich biodiversity and natural resources.

The 55th Annual Meeting of the Association of Tropical Biology and Conservation held in Kuching indicates the importance and the necessary balance of future conservation and sustainable development efforts in the region. The success of many conservation programmes will require strategic partnerships between the industry, developers, government and research institutions, in order to achieve the most effective results.

It is hoped that this meeting will present opportunities for advance explorations in scientific research, for the betterment of our people and the region. UNIMAS is ready to play its role in the same, while, at the same time, promote intellectual growth of the State's citizens, one of the acknowledged steps for us to attain the mission to become a university of choice for scholars and students in the region.

InsyAllah, may this meeting be a meaningful experience for everyone involved.



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Founded in 1913, the British Ecological Society (BES) is a not for-profit membership organization dedicated to the advancement of ecological science.

Our purpose is to, 'generate, communicate and promote ecological knowledge and solutions'. With over 6,500 members in 93 countries, we are the largest ecological society in Europe. We encourage an evidence informed approach to finding the right solution to ecological problems. Our activities include; scientific publishing, conferences, education, public engagement and grant giving to support the ecological community in the UK and the developing world.



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South East Asia Rainforest Research Partnership

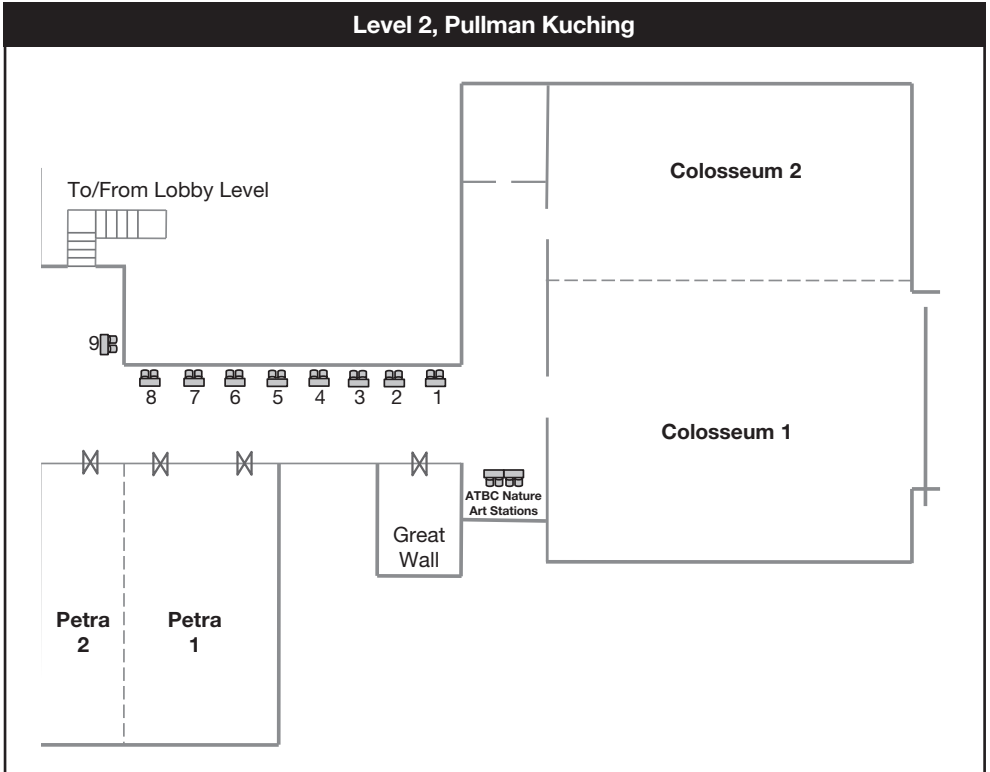
(Rainforest Research Sdn Bhd)
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Table No. 2

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EXHIBITOR NAME	TABLE NO.
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South East Asia Rain Forest Research Partnership	2
Tambora Muda Indonesia	3
British Ecological Society	4
CPH Travel Agencies (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd	5
Wild Borneo Photography / Natural History Publications	6
National Geographic Society	7
Milsar	8
Sarawak Forestry	9



GENERAL INFORMATION ATBC MEMBERSHIP



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As a member you will:

- benefit preferential prices to register at the ATBC annual meetings
- be allowed 10 free published pages in BIOTROPICA annually
- get access to member-only conference registration rates
- be eligible for presentation awards during annual meetings
- be eligible for travel grants to assist to annual meetings
- have a webpage for your field site promoted at tropicbio.org
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For more information please visit Wiley or email cs-membership@wiley.com

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ATBC Africa Chapter



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AWARDS

BACARDI AWARD

The **Bacardi Award** is open to those who have received a PhD, within 5 years of the meeting dates. To be eligible for the Bacardi Award, an applicant must be a non-student member for 2018 or have just completed the PhD in Spring 2018. For more information on the award, please see www.tropicalbiology.org/luis-f-bacardi-award/

ALWYN GENTRY AWARD

The **Alwyn Gentry Award** is presented to a student presenter (one each – oral or poster). Minimum qualification is to be a paying student member of the ATBC for 2018. For details of the award, please see www.tropicalbiology.org/alwyn-gentry-award/



GENERAL INFORMATION

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

ONSITE REGISTRATION COUNTER

Registration Counter is located at **Lobby Level, Pullman Kuching.**

OPENING HOURS

- 1 July, 1200 – 1600 hours
- 2 July, 0730 – 1700 hours
- 3 July, 0800 – 1700 hours
- 4 July, 0800 – 1700 hours
- 5 July, 0800 – 1200 hours

NAME BADGES & WELCOME KIT

Registered delegates are to wear their name badges at all times during the Conference for identification and security purposes. Admission to all Conference sessions and official functions are based on identification badges.

COFFEE BREAKS

Day 2 – 5 (2 – 5 July 2018)

- Time: Day 2: 1000 - 1030 hours, 1530 - 1700 hours
- Day 3: 1000 - 1030 hours, 1530 - 1600 hours
- Day 4: 1000 - 1030 hours, 1530 - 1700 hours
- Day 5: 1000 - 1030 hours, 1530 - 1630 hours

Coffee breaks will be served at **Foyer, Level 2, Pullman Kuching.**

LUNCH

Day 2 – 5 (2 – 5 July 2018)

Time: 1230 -1400 hours

Buffet Lunch will be served at **Eiffel and Olympia, Lobby Level, Pullman Kuching.**

INFO DESK

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E-CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

E-Certificate of Attendance will be emailed to all registered delegates after the conference, upon completion of the conference e-evaluation forms after 11 July 2018.

EXHIBITION OPENING HOURS

2 July, 0930 – 1700 hours

3 July, 0930 – 1700 hours

4 July, 0930 – 1700 hours

5 July, 0930 – 1600 hours

LIABILITY

The Organizing Committee will not assume any responsibility for accidents, losses or damages, as well as delays or modifications of the conference program.

SOCIAL PROGRAM

Hi-Tea Welcome Reception

Date : 1 July 2018

Time : 1800 – 1930 hours

Venue : Foyer, Level 2, Pullman Kuching

Dress Code : Casual

ATBC 2018 Banquet

Date : 5 July 2018

Time : 1900 – 2200 hours

Venue : Matang Terrace, Level 1, Hilton Kuching (5 mins walking distance)

Dress Code : Casual



GENERAL INFORMATION

INFORMATION FOR PRESENTERS

Speaker Preview Room

Speaker Preview Room is located at **Great Wall, Level 2, Pullman Kuching** and the opening hours are as follows:

- 1 July, 1200 - 1800 hours
- 2 July, 0730 - 1900 hours
- 3 July, 0730 - 1900 hours
- 4 July, 0730 - 1900 hours
- 5 July, 0730 - 1600 hours

You may submit or download your presentation materials at the Speaker Preview Room during the opening hours stated above.

FOR KEYNOTE & PANEL DISCUSSION SPEAKERS

- 1) You are required to check in at the Speaker Preview Room at least ONE (1) day prior to your presentation day to submit your final presentation materials.
- 2) The staff on duty will reconfirm your presentation timing and location.
- 3) Audio-visual testing facilities are available at the Speaker Preview Room. The staff on duty will assist you in testing and installing your presentation materials.
- 4) Please be present at your session room at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the session.
- 5) The standard Audio Visual & IT equipment provided consist the following:
 - Laptop (Microsoft Power Point, Microsoft Office, Internet Explorer & Window Media Player)
 - Projector with Screen
 - Standard PA system with microphone
- 6) You may indicate your computer preference (if any) upon checking in at the Speaker Preview Room.

FOR CHAIRPERSONS

- Please be present at your session room at least 10 minutes prior to the start of the session.
- Chairperson guideline will be provided to you upon registration at the Speaker Preview Room, Great Wall, Level 2, Pullman Kuching.
- Chairpersons are required to act as Timekeepers by ringing the bell provided on 12 min (1st reminder), 14 min (2nd reminder) and 15 min (session end).

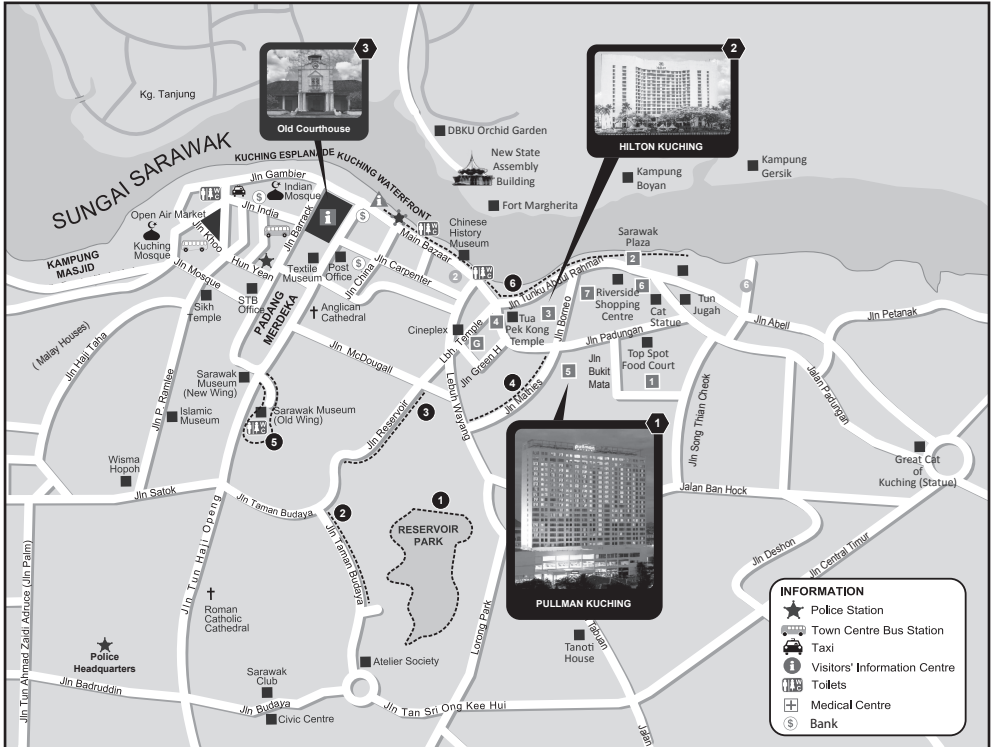
FOR SYMPOSIA AND GENERAL SESSION PRESENTERS

- Your presentation slides are required to be uploaded at the Speaker Preview Room ONE (1) day prior to the start of the session.
- Please reconfirm your presentation's timing and location with the staff on duty at the Speaker Preview Room located in the Great Wall, Level 2, Pullman Kuching.
- Audio-visual testing facilities are available for your testing and viewing. The staff on duty will assist you in testing and installing your presentation materials.
- You are required to be present at your oral and speed presentation area at least 10 minutes prior to the start of the session.
- For oral presentation - please remember that the time allocated for each oral session is twelve (12) minutes for presentation and three (3) minutes for questions and answers. A bell will be rung at the 12th minute as a reminder.
- For speed presentation - please remember that the time allocated for each speed session is five (5) minutes for presentation.
- If you are late to upload your presentation slide and/or if it is found incompatible with our system, the Organizing Committee has the right to cancel your presentation without any notice. You are encouraged to test and view prior to the start of the session.
- Please adhere to the Chairperson's instructions during the session, particularly the timing of your presentation.

POSTER PRESENTATION

Mounting	: 1 July 2018, 1200 - 1500 hours
Dismantling	: 5 July 2018, 1400 hours onwards
Presentation Times	: 2 July 2018, 1530 - 1700 hours 4 July 2018, 1530 - 1700 hours

- Posters must be set up at the given poster mounting time as stated above.
- The Organizing Committee bears no responsibility for any lost or damaged posters if the posters are not dismantled after the given time.
- Please ensure that no damage is done to the poster panel boards.
- Material for sticking: Double-sided tape.
- Please refer to the Venue Layout (page 16) for location.



HOTELS (CITY CENTRE ONLY) ■

1. ARIVA GATEWAY KUCHING
2. GRAND MAGHERITA HOTEL
3. HILTON KUCHING
4. HARBOUR VIEW HOTEL
5. PULLMAN KUCHING
6. RIVERSIDE MAJESTIC HOTEL
7. TUNE HOTEL

RUNNING TRACKS ● (CITY CENTRE ONLY)

1. RESERVOIR PARK
2. JALAN TAMAN BUDAYA
3. JALAN RESERVOIR
4. JALAN MATHIES
5. SARAWAK MUSEUM
6. WATERFRONT KUCHING

PLACES OF INTEREST ■

- ATELLER SOCIETY
- CAT STATUE
- CHINESE HISTORY MUSEUM
- CINEPLEX
- CIVIL CENTRE
- DBKU ORCHID GARDEN
- FORT MARGHERITA
- GREAT CAT OF KUCHING (STATUE)
- ISLAMIC MUSEUM
- KAMPUNG BOYAN
- KAMPUNG GERSIK
- OLD COURTHOUSE
- OPEN AIR MARKET
- POST OFFICE
- RIVERSIDE SHOPPING CENTRE
- SARAWAK CLUB
- SARAWAK MUSEUM (NEW WING)
- SARAWAK MUSEUM (OLD WING)
- SARAWAK PLAZA
- SIKH TEMPLE
- STB OFFICE
- TANOTI HOUSE
- TEXTILE MUSEUM
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PULLMAN KUCHING

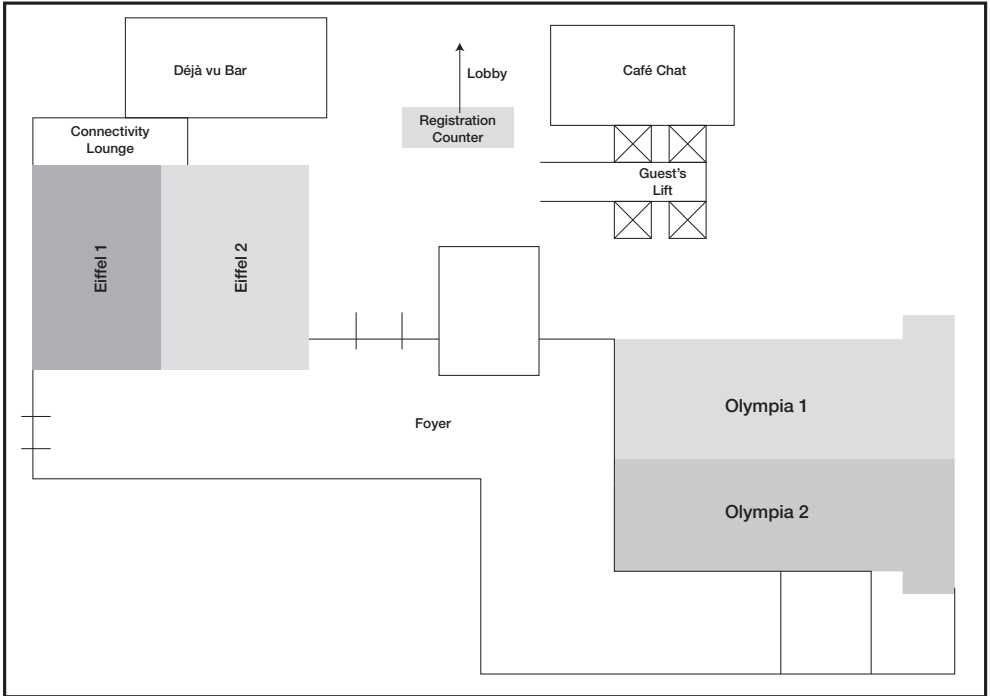
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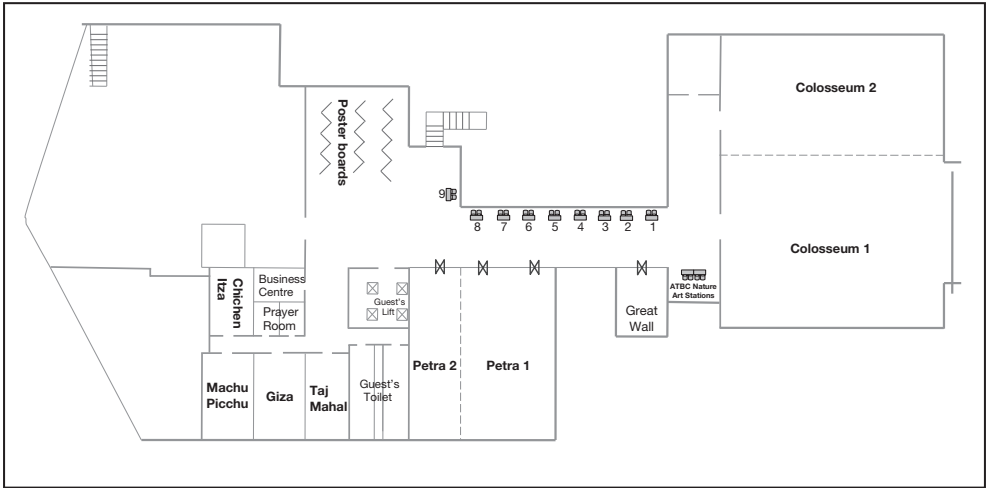
MAIN CONFERENCE VENUE LAYOUT PLAN



LOBBY LEVEL

	Lobby Area	Eiffel 1	Eiffel 2	Olympia
1 July 2018				
2 July 2018		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference Lunch • Soft Skill Workshop • Symposium 7.1 & 7.2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference Lunch • Soft Skill Workshop 	
3 July 2018	Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference Lunch • Soft Skill Workshop • Symposium 16.1 & 16.2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference Lunch • Soft Skill Workshop 	Conference Lunch
4 July 2018		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentoring Circle - Lunch • ATBC - Neotropical Chapter Meeting • General Session 27.1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentoring Circle - Lunch 	
5 July 2018		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference Lunch • Soft Skill Workshop • General Session 9.4 & 40 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference Lunch • Soft Skill Workshop 	

GENERAL INFORMATION | MAIN CONFERENCE VENUE LAYOUT PLAN



LEVEL 2

	Foyer	Great Wall	Colosseum 1	Colosseum 2	Petra 1	Petra 2	Taj Mahal	Giza	Machu Picchu	Chichen Itza
1 July 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hi-Tea Welcome Reception 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Ceremony 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mentoring Circles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wildlife The Toonie Way Workshop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council Meeting 			
2 July 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exhibition Poster Presentation Coffee Breaks Nature Art Station 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote Lecture 1 Symposium 1.1 & 1.2 General Session 4 Panel Discussion 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 2.1, 2.2 & 2.3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 3.1, 3.2 & 9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 4, 8.1 & 8.2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ATBC - SECSCI Meeting (Student & Early Career Scientist Chapter) Symposium 5.1 & 5.2 General Session 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biotropica Editorial Board Meeting Symposium 6 General Session 3 & 6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Session 1.1, 1.2 & 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Session 2.1, 2.2 & 8
3 July 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exhibition Coffee Breaks Nature Art Station 	Speaker Preview Room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote Lecture 2 Symposium 9.1 & 10.1 General Session 15 & 20 Panel Discussion 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 11.1, 11.2 & 17 Speed Presentations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 12 General Session 9.2, 9.3 & 11 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 13.1 & 13.2 General Session 16 & 21 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ATBC - African Chapter Meeting Symposium 14.1 & 14.2 General Session 17.1 & 22 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ATBC - Asian Chapter Meeting Symposium 15 General Session 1.3, 1.2 & 23 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Session 9.1, 13, 18.1 & 24 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Session 10, 14 & 19.1
4 July 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exhibition Poster Presentation Coffee Breaks Nature Art Station 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote Lecture 3 Symposium 18.1 & 18.2 General Session 30 ATBC Open Forum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 26 General Session 25 & 28 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 19.1 & 19.2 General Session 32 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 20 & 23 General Session 33 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 21, 24 & 27 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Session 17.2, 29.1 & 34 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 25 General Session 26 & 35 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 22 General Session 30 & 36
5 July 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exhibition Coffee Breaks Nature Art Station 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote Lecture 4 Symposium 28.1, 28.2 & 35 Presidential Address Closing Ceremony 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 29 & 34 General Session 42 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 30.1 & 30.2 General Session 27.2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 31 General Session 37 & 43 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Symposium 32.1 & 32.2 General Session 17.3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ATBC - Diversity, Gender & Inclusion Meeting Symposium 33 General Session 38 & 44 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Session 19.2, 29.2 & 39 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Session 18.2, 40 & 45



PROGRAM PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Time	Day 1 (SUNDAY) 1 July 2018	Day 2 (MONDAY) 2 July 2018	Day 3 (TUESDAY) 3 July 2018	Day 4 (WEDNESDAY) 4 July 2018	Day 5 (THURSDAY) 5 July 2018
0730 - 0800					
0800 - 0830					
0830 - 0900		Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions
0900 - 0930					
0930 - 1000		Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
1000 - 1030		Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions
1100 - 1130					
1130 - 1200		Keynote Lecture 1	Keynote Lecture 2	Keynote Lecture 3	Keynote Lecture 4
1200 - 1230					
1230 - 1300		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1300 - 1330					
1330 - 1400	REGISTRATION	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions
1400 - 1430					
1430 - 1500		Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions	Symposia and General Sessions
1500 - 1530					
1530 - 1600		Coffee Break & Poster Viewing	Coffee Break	Coffee Break & Poster Viewing	Coffee Break
1600 - 1630					
1630 - 1700	Opening Ceremony & Opening Keynote		General Sessions and Speed Presentations		Presidential Keynote Address & Closing Ceremony
1700 - 1730		Panel Discussion 1	Panel Discussion 2	ATBC Open Forum	
1730 - 1800					
1800 - 1830					
1830 - 1900	Hi-Tea Welcome Reception				
1900 - 1930					
1930 - 2000		Science Café 1 <i>Old Courthouse</i>	Science Café 2 <i>Old Courthouse</i>	Science Café 3 <i>Old Courthouse</i>	
2000 - 2030					ATBC 2018 Banquet <i>Matang Terrace, Level 1, Hilton Kuching</i>
2030 - 2100					
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2130 - 2200					



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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Day 0 (Saturday) 30 June 2018

Day 1 (Sunday) 1 July 2018

Time	Day 0 (Saturday) 30 June 2018	
09:00 - 17:00	ATBC Council Meeting <i>(By Invitation only)</i>	

Time	Day 1 (Sunday) 1 July 2018	
09:00 - 13:00	ATBC Council Meeting <i>(By invitation only)</i>	
10:00 - 13:00	Wildlife The Toonie Way Workshop	Petra 2, Level 2
12:00 - 16:00	Registration	Lobby Level
12:30 - 13:45	Mentoring Circle - Mentors Briefing <i>(Please refer to page 45 for more information)</i>	Petra 1, Level 2
14:00 - 16:00	Mentoring Circle - Mentor and Mentees Session <i>(Please refer to page 45 for more information)</i>	Petra 1, Level 2
	Opening Ceremony	
16:00 - 18:00	Opening Keynote: Seeing The Utan From The Orang: Field-Notes From a Recovering Conservationist <i>Speaker: June Mary Rubis, Environmental Change Institute, School of Geography & Environment, University of Oxford</i>	Colosseum 1, Level 2
18:00 - 19:30	Hi-Tea Welcome Reception	Foyer, Level 2

Day 2 (Monday) 2 July 2018

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	Colosseum 1, Level 2	Colosseum 2, Level 2	Petra 1, Level 2	Petra 2, Level 2	Taj Mahal, Level 2	Giza, Level 2	Machu Picchu, Level 2	Chichen Itza, Level 2	Eiffel 1, Lobby Level
07:30 - 17:00	Registration								Lobby Level
09:30 - 17:00	Exhibition Opening								Level 2
	SYMPOSIUM 1.1 Built Infrastructure and The Future of Tropical Forest	SYMPOSIUM 2.1 Environmental Sustainability in Oil Palm: Linking Science to Policy and Practice Across The Tropics	SYMPOSIUM 3.1 Tropical Tree Life-History Strategies: Causes and Consequences of Demographic Diversity	SYMPOSIUM 4 The role of Invertebrates in Undisturbed Tropical Ecosystems	SYMPOSIUM 5.1 Origins, Assembly and Evolution of the South and SE Asian Biota: Insights From Rocks, Fossils, Genes and Plots	SYMPOSIUM 6 Citizen Science: Global Biodiversity Monitoring and Science Literacy Empowerment	GENERAL SESSION 1.1 Bird Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 2.1 Plant Ecophysiology	SYMPOSIUM 7.1 The Second International Symposium on Fishing Cat Conservation: Persistence of a tropical wetland specialist, Ecology, Activism and Conservation
08:30 - 08:45	William Laurance; Infrastructure Expansion and the Future of Tropical Forests	Jake Bicknell; Designing oil palm landscapes to optimise biodiversity and ecosystem functions	Symposium Introduction by Sean McMahon	Cecilia Dahlsjö; Termites in soil	Robert Kooymann; Palaeo-Antarctic Rainforest Plant Lineages in Austral and Southeast Asia: Diversity, Abundance and Ecology	Sandro Von Matter; Linking Science Communication to Data Achievement in South America. Lessons from Available Platforms and Strategies for a long-term successful Global Biodiversity Monitoring Citizen	Demeng Jiang; How information about predation in mixed-species bird flocks changes through the breeding cycle in a subtropical, limestone forest	David Tng; Responses of lowland tropical rainforest trees to drought	Anya Ratnayaka; Guardians of the Wetlands: Using Fishing Cats for Urban Wetland Conservation in Colombo Sri Lanka
08:45 - 09:00	Alex Lechner; Planning for biodiversity conservation needs to be a core value for China's 'Belt and Road Initiative'	Sugeng Budiharta; Paying back the carbon and biodiversity debts from oil-palm plantations in Kalimantan, Indonesia	Stefan J Kupers; Tropical tree seedlings trade off shade and drought tolerance: a demographic approach	Louise Ashton; Termites mitigate the ecological effects of drought in tropical rainforest	Peter Wiif; The First Gondwanan Fagaceae: Early Eocene Castaneoids from Patagonia and the Paleo-Antarctic Component of Southeast Asian Tropical Rainforests	Pierre Bonnet; Potentials of a large scale citizen science platform for tropical plant species detection and phenological study	"Flavia Montano-Centellas; Mixed-species flocks and climate change: Towards a mechanistic understanding of avian social systems"	Deborah Appagua; Impact of elevated temperature and atmospheric CO2 concentration on seedling growth and survival of species along a tropical wet forest-savanna gradient	Ashan Thudugala; The Status Of Fishing Cat (Prionailurus viverrinus) Conservation In Human-Mediated Landscapes In Sri Lanka
09:00 - 09:15	Mohammed Alamgir; Infrastructure Expansion and the Indonesian Borneo Tropical Forests	David Edwards; Minimising the biological impacts of oil palm expansion in the Neotropics	Sophie Fauset; Differences in leaf thermoregulation and water-use strategies between two co-occurring Atlantic forest tree species	Kate Parr; Quantifying the role of ants in tropical ecosystems: resource removal	Tao Su; Paleobotany in tropical SE Asia: progress and opportunities	Benjamin Ong; Building capacity for civic participation in conservation: Case study of the Klang Valley City Nature Challenge 2018	Ari Martinez; Mixed-species flocking propensity and intraspecific sociality influence the colonization and extinction rates of bird species on islands.	Erika Berenguer; Tree growth and stem carbon accumulation in human-modified forests following drought and fire	Erwin Willianto; Further Note of Fishing Cat, Prionailurus viverrinus rhizoporeus, in Java Island, Indonesia
09:15 - 09:30	Ahimsa Campos-Arceiz; Why did elephant cross the roads? Roads and megafauna in Peninsular Malaysia	Paul Furumo; Motivations, barriers, and impacts of RSPD certification: lessons from the Colombian oil palm sector	Liza Comita; Conspecific density dependence varies with species life-history strategy at multiple life stages in a Neotropical forest	Stephanie Law; Vertical stratification of tropical ant assemblages: do ground ants restrict the foraging distribution of arboreal and subterranean ants?	Sarah Mathews; Forest tree community and biogeographic variation among five Indonesian islands	Robert Colwell; How a Citizen Scientist and Alan Turing's Genius Inspired a New, Powerful, and Very Simple Species Richness Estimator	Kanoktip Somsiri; Nest-site selection and nesting success of Scaly-crowned Babbler Malacopteron cinereum in seasonal evergreen forest in northeastern Thailand	Juan Posada; Do High-Altitude Tropical Alpine Plants use Light with Maximum Photosynthetic Efficiency?	Gridhar Malla; Long term conservation of Fishing cats in the Godavari delta, Andhra Pradesh, India
09:30 - 09:45	Sean Sloan; Infrastructure Development and Environmental Governance: Lessons from the Indonesian Leuser Ecosystem and the Global Tropics	Jane Hill; Optimising biodiversity and yield in smallholder oil palm plantations	Meghna Krishnadas; Functional traits predict seedling recruitment in relation to altered natural-enemy activity with edge-effects	Owen Lewis; Top-down effects of insect herbivores and seed predators on rainforest vegetation	Joeri Sergej Strijk; Sino-Australasian Lauraceae: Disentangling Genomes, Islands and Time	Varun Swamy; Community Aerobotany: using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles and online citizen science to monitor Amazon rainforest canopy trees	Liping Zhou; The response of mixed-species bird flocks to altitudinal and anthropogenic change in southern and southwest China	Melissa Whitman; How to play by a different set of rules: functional traits of Rhododendron species with a stress-tolerant ecological strategy along tropical elevation gradients	Sagar Dahal; Study and conservation initiatives of Fishing cat in the human dominated landscape of Nepal

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09:45 - 10:00	Somphot Duangchantrasiri; Distributions of tigers and prey in the Thailand's world heritage site as baseline for strengthening connectivity for species recovery	Melissa Leduning; Improving soil greenhouse gas fluxes in oil palm plantations	Chia-Hao Chang-Yang; Diversity Takes Time: Temporal Dynamics of Seedling Demography in a Subtropical Rain Forest	Paul Eggleton; Invertebrates in Tropical Forests: the Ultimate Baseline?	Caroline Parnell; The likely contribution of vertebrate seed-dispersers to the Sunda-Sahul floristic exchange	Cedric Kai Tan; Every cloud has a silver lining – An interactive theatre experience and its effects on conservation awareness	Ashish Jha; Importance of keystone habitats in scrub forests of peninsular India; findings from population and ecological studies on endemic Yellow-throated Bulbul <i>Pycnonotus xantholaemus</i>	Eleanor Thomson; Mapping the leaf economic spectrum across West African tropical forests using UAV-acquired hyperspectral imagery.	James Sanderson; Global Small Cat Conservation Update
10:00 - 10:15		Yit Arn Teh; Quantifying the greenhouse gas balance of oil palm plantations on peat soil in northern Borneo		Ondrej Mottl; Ant mosaics in tropical lowland forests: Finding drivers of spatial structure					
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break								Foyer, Level 2
	SYMPOSIUM 1.2 Built Infrastructure and The Future of Tropical Forest	SYMPOSIUM 2.2 Environmental Sustainability in Oil Palm: Linking Science to Policy and Practice Across The Tropics	SYMPOSIUM 3.2 Tropical Tree Life-History Strategies: Causes and Consequences of Demographic Diversity	SYMPOSIUM 6.1 Invertebrates and Ecological Processes in Modified Tropical Landscapes	SYMPOSIUM 5.2 Origins, Assembly and Evolution of the South and SE Asian Biota: Insights From Rocks, Fossils, Genes and Plots	GENERAL SESSION 3 Wind Disturbance in Tropical Ecosystems	GENERAL SESSION 1.2 Bird Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 2.2 Plant Ecophysiology	SYMPOSIUM 7.2 The Second International Symposium on Fishing Cat Conservation: Persistence of a Tropical Wetland Specialist, Ecology, Activism and Conservation
10:30 - 10:45	Mahmoud Ibrahim Mahmoud; Superhighway Development Threatens Tropical Forest Conservation and SDGs in Equatorial Africa	Lain E. Pardo-Vargas; Identifying critical limits in oil palm expansion for the conservation of terrestrial mammals in Colombia	Nadja Rüger; Using demographic trade-offs and a simple forest model to understand and predict tropical forest dynamics	Roger Kitching; Invertebrates and disturbance in tropical rainforests.	Michael Baile; Complex patterns of biodiversity across geologically even more complex tropical landscapes	Stephen Michael Turton; Reef-to-ridge ecological perspectives of high energy storm events in northeast Australia: insights from Severe Tropical Cyclones Larry and Yasi	An Nguyen; Occurrence of avian in a threatened biodiversity hotspot: missing species and spatial distribution of ground-foraging bird community in the central Annamites	Hua Lin; Leaf temperature regulation strategies of the plants from a hot dry and a hot wet habitat	Vanessa Herranz Muñoz; Conservation of a newly recorded population of fishing cat (<i>Prionailurus viverrinus</i>) at a protected coastal mangrove area in south-west Cambodia.
10:45 - 11:00	Cynthia Ong; Political Economy of Infrastructure Development - A Heady Landscape	Eleanor Slade; Assessing the benefits of riparian reserves in oil palm landscapes: developing the science to inform environmental policy	Vanessa E Rubio; Functional traits, guilds, and the dynamics in tropical forests.	Jane Hardwick; Insights into the diet composition of pygmy grasshoppers in Sabah, Malaysia, based on DNA metabarcoding	Maurizio Rosetto; Should I stay or should I go – the impact of biogeographic history and dispersal dynamics on rainforest assembly.	Thomas Fickert; To plant, or not to be, that is the question? Reforestation vs. natural regeneration within severely storm disturbed mangrove forests	Lisa Davenport; Movement of the Near Threatened Orinoco Goose (<i>Neochen jubata</i>) in human-dominated landscapes in Eastern Amazonia	Rebecca Ostertag; Relationships of Tree Growth and Mortality to Temperature and Rainfall in Hawaiian Forests	Jayasilan Mohd-Azlan; The distribution and conservation of wild felids in Sarawak, Borneo
11:00 - 11:15	Thomas Mutton; When rubber hits the road: the interplay of planning, pretexts and policy on Manus Island, Papua New Guinea	Matthew Struebig; Does the oil palm industry help alleviate poverty? Lessons from Indonesia	Jessica Needham; Beyond the slow-fast continuum: A global analysis of demographic rates in forest trees	Filipe Machado-França; How do El Niño droughts and fires interact with human forest disturbance to shape tropical biodiversity and associate functions? Evidence from Amazonian dung beetles	Elizabeth Joyce; New Guinea as a major generator of Malaysian and Australasian plant diversity: evidence from multi-lineage analysis of diversification through time	Edward Webb; Twelve-year tree community dynamics following catastrophic wind disturbance in a tropical insular forest	Jenny Munoz; Social behavior and life-histories variation: A story of Neotropical birds.	Yajun Chen; Convergence in plant hydraulic strategies across plant lifeforms in severe water-stressed habitats	
11:15 - 11:30	Mason Campbell; Does the upgraded Pan-Borneo highway project conflict with the Heart of Borneo aspirations in Sabah, Malaysia?	Edgar Turner; Can plantation management in oil palm increase biodiversity and pest control?	Sabrina E Russo; Global patterns in the slow-fast continuum of tropical tree demography: the roles of tolerance and responsiveness	Tom Fayle; Commensalism in a novel ecosystem: Converting degraded rainforest to oil palm plantation increases densities of a stem-excavating crabronid wasp in the ant-plant <i>Macaranga pearsonii</i> without fitness costs for mutualistic partners	Samantha Yap; Insights into the evolution of Australian rainforest through their biogeographic history, ecology and landscape attributes	Toby Jackson; Wind and Trees - the mechanical strength of tropical trees and their resistance to wind damage.	Prayitno Goenarto; Activity patterns of Crestless Fireback <i>Lophura erythrorhynchos</i> and Black Partridge <i>Melanoperdix nigra</i> in the Kampar Peninsula, Sumatra, Indonesia	Cho-ying Huang; Estimating litter production with a metabolic scaling theory-driven approach in a near tropical montane forest.	

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11:30 - 12:30	Keynote Lecture 1 - How to Explain The Biogeographic Patterns in SE-Asia's Equatorial Forests <i>Speaker: Assoc. Prof. JWF Slik, Associate Professor & Curator of the UBD Herbarium, Faculty of Science, Universiti Brunei Darussalam</i>									Colosseum 1, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch									Eiffel & Olympia, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	Biotropica Editorial Board Meeting (Closed Event)									Giza, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	ATBC - SECSCI Meeting (Student & Early Career Scientist Chapter)									Taj Mahal, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	ATBC 2018 Soft Skills Workshops Getting Published in The Sciences <i>Steve Turton</i>				Eiffel 1, Lobby Level	ATBC 2018 Soft Skills Workshops Making The Leap From Academics to a Career in Conservation Practice <i>Tony Lynam</i>				Eiffel 2, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	Nature Art Station (Please refer to page 45 for more information)									Foyer, Level 2
	GENERAL SESSION 4 Wildlife & Infrastructure	SYMPOSIUM 2.3 Environmental sustainability in oil palm: linking science to policy and practice across the tropics	SYMPOSIUM 9 Land-Use Change Impacts on Ecosystem Biogeochemistry and Functioning in Secondary Forests	SYMPOSIUM 8.2 Invertebrates and Ecological Processes in Modified Tropical Landscapes	GENERAL SESSION 5 Methodological Advances in Tropical Biology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 6 Society & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 7 Amphibian Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 8 Peat & Flooded Forests		
14:00 - 14:15	Tabitha Hui; Highway viaducts: Wildlife crossings or barriers to movement?	Elinor Benami; Recent Oil Palm Development in Brazil: Evaluating Expansion Dynamics and Constraints	Terhi Riutta; Complete carbon budget in selectively logged and old-growth tropical forests in Borneo	Lois Kinneen; Palatability and defence in seedlings of two species of dipterocarp experimentally planted across a fragmented landscape	Andreas Witting; Bloodsuckers for conservation - using iDNA from leeches for mammal biodiversity assessment and monitoring.	Aires Mbanze; Biodiversity Under Threat in the Niassa National Reserve, What can be Done? Understand the Opinions of Professionals and Volunteers Engaged in Conservation	Adolfo Amezcua; Inconsistent phenotypic syndrome in the evolution of poison frogs' aposematism	Lahiru Wijedasa; Carbon emissions from Southeast Asian peatlands will increase despite emission-reduction schemes		
14:15 - 14:30	"Helena Bergallo; Road kills and use of wildlife passages by mammals: a case study in the Sooretama Biological Reserve, Brazil"	Esther Baking; Assessing the conservation value of riparian reserves for terrestrial mammals in oil palm plantation and highly degraded forest	David Burslem; Logging and soil nutrients independently explain plant trait expression in tropical forests	Amelia Hood; Ants are key players in maintaining ecosystem functioning in oil palm plantations in Riau, Sumatra	Amaziasizamorija Jumali; Thermal camera vs visual counting: evaluating a comparison of techniques for primate census	Alvaro Gonzalez Monge; Conserving Mindoro's tamaraw. Integrating wildlife, landscape and indigenous communities in conservation and research	Carlos Frederico D. Rocha; Local Environmental Factors Influence the Structure of Frog Communities on the Sandy Coastal Plains of Southeastern Brazil	Arief Hamidi; Relationship between vegetation and peat depth in peat swamp forest of Kampar Peninsula, Riau, Indonesia		
14:30 - 14:45	Erin Riley; Roadside monkeys: anthropogenic impacts on moor macaque (Macaca maura) ranging patterns in Barlimunung-Bulusaraung National Park, Sulawesi, Indonesia	Jessie Knowlton; Resident and migratory bird use of oil palm (Elaeis guineensis) plantations and native forest fragments in southern Mexico	Charles Marsh; The impact of surrounding matrix trees on dipterocarp seedling growth and survival	Marisa Stone; How rapidly do invertebrate decomposers and litter decomposition rates recover during rainforest regeneration on disused pastures?	Azlan Mohamed; Occupancy, local abundance and density: what can we estimate with camera-trapping data?	Caroline Ward; Perceived barriers to and drivers of community participation in protected-area governance	Isabela Menezes Barata; Natural history and conservation of a rare species of bromeliad-dwelling frog from the Brazilian highlands	Matheus Nunes; El Niño carbon losses from human modified tropical forests are greatest near edges and on hillslopes, shows repeat-LIDAR surveys		
14:45 - 15:00	Inês Silva; Are bats vulnerable to roads in Southeast Asia? A case study of wildlife-vehicle collision mortalities in a biodiversity hotspot in Thailand	Ena E. Mata-Zayas; Mammal diversity in oil palm plantations in Southern Mexico: a first assessment.	Cecilia Prada; Influence of environmental variables and mycorrhizal associations on soil carbon storage in a montane forest in Panama	Joseep Sarapuu; Phylogenetic and functional patterns in leaf-cutting ants diet at the edge and in the interior of a fragmented Atlantic rainforest	Jürgen Niedballa; Combining Landsat time series and time-calibrated occupancy modelling to predict species distributions in tropical forests in space and time	Ethan Miller; Spatial dynamics of community landscape service values across the South West Mau Forest, Kenya	Sami Asad; Stream amphibian habitat associations and responses to reduced impact logging in the Deramakot forest reserve, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo.	Pia Parolin; Introduction to the Natural History and the Conservation of globally important forested freshwater wetlands		

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15:00 - 15:15	Rongrong Angkaewr, A test of road edge effects on the nest survival and the post-fledging survival of a tropical forest passerine	Frances Manning; Carbon fluxes from oil palm plantations on peat soil	Kelly Andersen; Rapid initial responses of forest carbon fluxes and nutrient cycling in a large-scale nutrient manipulation experiment in Central Amazonia	Inara Leal; Increasing aridity rather than human disturbance affects ant-mediated ecosystem services in Brazilian Caatinga	Seth Wong; Influence of body mass, socially, and movement behavior on improved detection probabilities when using a second camera trap	Cheng Chen; Do law enforcement and community outreach work? Comparing management and mammal diversity in a biodiversity hotspot in southwestern China	Martha Hurlley; Amphibian conservation at the intersection of ecology, taxonomy, and biogeography.	Martha Ledger; Determining regional-scale carbon losses from tropical peatlands using InSAR	
15:15 - 15:30	Gregory Irving; A hydroelectric dam in Peninsular Thailand has devastated the surrounding resident forest bird community	Henry Bernard; Retaining riparian reserves in oil palm plantations mitigates the loss of native small mammal species		Fitri Aini; Nitrous oxide and methane emissions from termites along a gradient of forest disturbance in Sumatra	Nadine Ruppert; Advancing the Rain Forest Conservation Toolkit – a new model for biodiversity surveys	Sharne McMillan; Local ecological knowledge of fish farmers reveals decline of Hong Kong otters and potential for conservation intervention	Catharina Karlsson; Bioacoustics of the amphibian community in Kinabalu Park and the use of open source resources for passive acoustic monitoring.		
15:30 - 15:45					Jesse F. Abrams; Using community occupancy models for diversity profiles	Victor Amin; Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Biodiversity Conservation of Protected Areas through Thematic Interpretation			
15:30 - 17:00	Coffee Break & Poster Presentation (Please refer to page 46 for poster titles)								Foyer, Level 2
17:00 - 18:30	Panel Discussion 1 - Implicit Biases, Diversity and Inclusion in Tropical Biology and Conservation <i>Moderator: Neha Sinha, Advocacy and Policy Officer, Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS)</i>								Colosseum 1, Level 2
	<p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr Cecilia A. L. Dahlstø, Postdoctoral in the Ecosystems Lab, University of Oxford 2. Dr Sheema Abdul Aziz, Co-Founder & President, Rimba 3. Dr Emilio Bruna, Professor, University of Florida 								
19:00 - 21:00	Science Café 1 - Cartoons in Conservation Communication <i>By Rohan Chakravarthy</i> (Please refer to page 44 for more information)								Old Courthouse

Please note that the venue of Science Cafe is at The Old Courthouse (15 minutes walk from Conference Venue, Pullman Kuching)

Day 3 (Tuesday) 3 July 2018

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	Colosseum 1, Level 2	Colosseum 2, Level 2	Petra 1, Level 2	Petra 2, Level 2	Taj Mahal, Level 2	Giza, Level 2	Machu Picchu, Level 2	Chichen Itza, Level 2	Eiffel 1, Lobby Level	
08:00 - 17:00	Registration									Lobby Level
09:30 - 17:00	Exhibition Opening									Level 2
	SYMPOSIUM 10.1 Tackling Illegal Wildlife Trade: Extent, Tools and Technologies, and Field Monitoring Methods	SYMPOSIUM 11.1 Feeding the Planet Whilst Minimizing Environmental and Socio-Economic Costs	SYMPOSIUM 12 Conservation-Based Recovery of Large Carnivores in Asia: Technical and Management Insights	SYMPOSIUM 13.1 The Future of Frugivory, Seed Dispersal, Seed Predation, and Fate in Changing Tropical Landscapes	SYMPOSIUM 14.1 Changing Environments & Changing Forests: Spatial and Temporal Variation in the Dynamics of Southeast Asian Forests	SYMPOSIUM 15 Freshwater Ecosystems and Dams in Southeast Asia: Understanding Human Impacts and Aligning Science With Decision Making Processes for Conservation and Sustainable Development	GENERAL SESSION 9.1 Mammal Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 10 Community-Based Forestry	SYMPOSIUM 16.1 Natural History and Canopy Dynamics of Lowland Evergreen Forests on Mt Makiling Forest Reserve and ASEAN Heritage Park, Philippines	
08:30 - 08:45	Wilson Lau; The Composition of Global Legal Wildlife Trade	L. Roman Carrasco; Trade-offs between multiple ecosystem services and tropical agriculture	Thomas Gray; The Decline and Fall of Cambodia's Tiger: lessons for global tiger recovery	Mathieu Guerin; Access to Forest Resources and Effectiveness of Protected Areas in Malaysia: A Historical Perspective on the National Park and the Krau Reserve since the Colonial Era	Akira Itoh; Species-specific drought effects: consequences for species and phylogenetic diversity of Bornean rain forest trees	Alexandra Zieritz; The freshwater mussels of Sundaland: towards protecting a unique fauna in a changing environment	Gabriella Fredriksson; The Tapanuli Orangutan: Just described and under immediate threat	Jasmine Randle; Power of the People: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats in Ethiopian Orthodox Church Forest Conservation Institutions	Leonardo Barua; Regeneration and Restoration Dynamics of a Tropical Forest Under Stress: The Case of the Mt Makiling Forest Reserve, Philippines	
08:45 - 09:00	Olivier Boissier; Extent of the impact of the Chinese wildlife trade on the world's wildlife	Yuchen Zhang; Crop-specific threats to biodiversity by 2050	William Marthy; Challenges towards recovering Sumatran tiger populations in two UNESCO World Heritage Site protected areas	Alys Granados; The importance of mast fruiting for vertebrates in a faunally intact ecosystem	Tze Leong Yao; Habitat-related tree species distributions and diversity in a peninsular Malaysian rainforest	Lindsay Porter; Dams and Dolphins: Investigating Impacts and Making Management Decisions	Maria Voigt; The red ape in the red: Global demand for natural resources and Bornean orangutan decline	Travis Reynolds; Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahido Church Forest Locations and Extent: Applications of a New Dataset for Remote Sensing Studies of Afromontane Forest Patches in Northern Ethiopia	Karla Jane Gonzalvo; Preliminary Assessment of the Forest Canopy Diversity of a 2-ha Long-Term Ecological Research (LTER) Plot in Molawin-Dampalit Watershed, Mt Makiling Forest Reserve	
08:00 - 09:15	Serene Chng; Caged in the city: Live bird trade in Southeast Asia	Felix Lim; Perverse market outcomes of conservation interventions: modeling market feedbacks of oil palm expansion in Indonesia	Ramesh Krishnamurthy; Making recovery possible: insights from tiger augmentation and reintroduction projects in India	Cooper Rosin; Defaunation, seed predation, and seedling establishment of commercially important trees in an Afrotropical forest	Matthew Scott Lusk; Long-term shifts in tree sapling abundance in multiple Southeast Asian rainforests	Yuichi Kano; Modeling the impact of hydropower dams on fish biodiversity and its synergistic effect with global warming in the Indochina region.	Andrew Tilker; Fading stripes in the Annamite mountains of Vietnam and Laos: data for a little-known endemic lagomorph caught in the Southeast Asian snaring crisis	Wesley Zbrowski; Sustained From Within? Social and Ecological Drivers of Expanding Internal Clearings in Ethiopian Orthodox Church Forests	Whizvir Gustilo; Patterns of Vertical Stratification and Herpetofaunal Diversity on Lowland Evergreen Forest in Mt. Makiling Forest Reserve, Philippines	
09:15 - 09:30	Sandeep Shrestha; An Assessment of Conservation Status of Critically Endangered Chinese Pangolins (Manis pentadactyla) in Community Forests amid Human-Dominated Landscapes of Nepal	Kimberly Carlson; Global Conservation Community Attitudes Regarding Oil Palm	Muhammad Irfansyah Lubis; Unraveling the complexity of human-tiger conflicts in the Leuser Ecosystem, Sumatra	Miyabi Nakabayashi; Seed dispersal of hemi-epiphytic figs by binturongs, gibbons and hornbills on Borneo	Kang Min Ngo; Short-term variation of tree growth rates in tropical forests of Singapore	Karen Suan Ping Lee; Interlinking Science with Decision-making: Sustainable Development of Hydropower Dams in Sarawak	Arjun Srivathsa; Packs in peril? Metapopulation dynamics inform strategies to conserve dhole Cuon alpinus populations in the Western Ghats of India	Joseph Hutabarat; Social Forestry Roles in Reducing Deforestation	Judeline Dimalibot; From Floor to Canopy Layer: Distribution and Diversity of Birds on Lowland Evergreen Forests in Mt. Makiling Forest Reserve	

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09:30 - 09:45	Penthai Sriwat; Monitoring the ASEAN rosewood trade using online seizure data: a 5-year case-study on Thailand's role as a source and transport country	Rebecca Senior; The state of climate connectivity across the tropics	Jackson Frechette; Surveys reveal important tiger conservation landscape in southern Tanintharyi Region, Myanmar	Henry Pollock; Breeding-related differences in habitat use and home-range size influence seed dispersal effectiveness and potential for forest regeneration in an endangered frugivore	Mohizam Mohamad; Temporal change in species composition and abundance at Lambir Hills National Park, Sarawak, Malaysia	Tommy Ganyal; Feasibility study of fish movement using a radio telemetry: Implication for the conservation of Malaysian Mahseer, Tor (Gray, 1834) Species	Mathias Mistrretta-Pres; The Multiple States of Mammalian Communities in the Anthropocene	Hilario Padilla; The Little-Known Stingless Bees: Diversity, Peculiarities and its Potentials for Community-Based Forest Conservation	Anna Pauline de Guia; Understorey versus Canopy Use by Bats and Non-volant Mammals on a Lowland Evergreen Forest in Mt Makiling Forest Reserve, Philippines									
09:45 - 10:00	Astrid Andersson; Using stable isotopes to detect laundering in wildlife trade	Joli Borah; How to better manage shifting cultivation to improve conservation outcomes	Anuradha Reddy; Spatial variation in the response of tiger gene flow to landscape features in Central India and Western Ghats, India	Haruko Ando; Do Japanese wood pigeons disperse seeds among islands? Foraging strategy estimated by observation and molecular ecological approach	Musalma Nasardin; Changes in stand structure and dynamics of trees in Pasoh Forest Reserve over 25 years	Hannah Baleta; System-scale planning for hydropower in Myanmar	Ana Filipa Palmeirim; Ecological correlates of mammal β -diversity in Amazonian land-bridge islands: from small to large-bodied species		Khrysty Pantua; Ectoparasite diversity from canopy birds, bats and reptiles from the Molavin-Dampalit Watershed, Mt. Makiling Forest Reserve.									
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break																	
	SYMPOSIUM 10.2 Tackling Illegal Wildlife Trade: Extent, Tools and Technologies, and Field Monitoring Methods		SYMPOSIUM 11.2 Feeding the Planet Whilst Minimizing Environmental and Socio-Economic Costs		GENERAL SESSION 11 Carnivore Ecology & Conservation		SYMPOSIUM 13.2 The Future of Frugivory, Seed Dispersal, Seed Predation, and Fate in Changing Tropical Landscapes		SYMPOSIUM 14.2 Changing Environments & Changing Forests: Spatial and Temporal Variation in the Dynamics of Southeast Asian Forests		GENERAL SESSION 12 Freshwater Systems		GENERAL SESSION 13 Genomics and Barcoding		GENERAL SESSION 14 Biological Invasions		SYMPOSIUM 16.2 Natural History and Canopy Dynamics of Lowland Evergreen Forests on Mt Makiling Forest Reserve and ASEAN Heritage Park, Philippines	
10:30 - 10:45	Antony Lynam; Integrated technology for improving the effectiveness of anti-poaching in tropical protected areas	Graham Prescott; Gold, farms, and forests	Asep Adhikerana; Connecting Tigers' Habitats in A Multi-Use Landscape: A Case of Sembilang-Dangku Landscape, South Sumatra	Hazel Chapman; Are putty nosed monkeys saving the day? Little evidence for surrogate seed dispersal in a West African montane landscape	Stuart Davies; Biodiversity and change: Comparative dynamics of Southeast Asian forests	Paromita Ray; Conserving the threatened fishes of a 'biodiversity coldspot' in India	Haw Chuan Lim; Comparative population genomics of bird species from SE Asian hotspots using thousands of makers and historical DNA	Henderite Ohee; Rapid expansion and biodiversity impacts of the red devil cichlid (<i>Amphilophus labiatus</i> , Günther 1864) in Lake Sentani, Papua	Jocelyn Zarate; Microbial Diversity Assessment in Mt Makiling, Los Banos, Philippines: Morphological and Functional Characterization of Associated Microbes for Agri-industrial Applications									
10:45 - 11:00	Sophie Adwick; Using technology to tackle illegal wildlife trade in Asia	Patrick Cannon; Does land sparing or sharing agriculture best protect avian functional diversity?	Suvankar Biswas; Understanding the functionality of identified tiger dispersal corridors in the Terai-Arc landscape, India	Hiroki Sato; Significance of escape from the mother trees: comparison of post-dispersal seed fates between two lemur-dispersed plant species in northwestern Madagascar	David Coomes; Topography shapes the structure, composition and function of tropical forest landscapes	Movin Nyansengeran; Revisiting paradigms: Can anthropogenically-formed forest pools provide refugia for threatened freshwater biodiversity?	John Mackay; Genomics for forest genetic resources management in tropical areas: lessons learned from temperate and boreal forests	Biplang Yadok; Native plant and invertebrate communities of West African montane and lowland forests respond differently to siam weed (<i>Chromolaena odorata</i>) invasion.	Juan Carlos Gonzalez; Forest Biodiversity across a Vertical Stratification: Implications to Ecosystem Services, Conservation, Tourism and Climate Change Resilience									
11:00 - 11:15	Wai Yee Lam; Countering Poaching in Deep Forests: The Tiny Team vs. Large Landscape Problem	H Manjari Jayatilake; Agricultural expansion as a major driver of deforestation in conserved tropical landscapes	Kerry Huang; Status of clouded leopards (<i>Neofelis nebulosa</i>) in mainland China	Adrienne Contasti; Bayesian posterior identify the effect of disturbance on the plant-granivore interaction in ecosystems worldwide	Jean Linsky; Botanic gardens and the conservation of threatened trees in Southeast Asia: integrating in-situ and ex-situ strategies	Jayampathi Herath; Conservation considerations of inter-basin fish species translocations in Sri Lanka: a genetic barcoding and taxonomic approach	Alison Shappcott; DNA barcoding and metabarcoding links natural history and conservation.	Naiara Guimaraes Sales; Importance of multidisciplinary approaches in tackling species introduction and hybridization between native and non-native species	Arturo Jr. Gracia; Inventory and Monitoring of Vertebrate Fauna in Three Long-Term Ecological Research (LTER) Sites in Mindanao, Philippines									
11:15 - 11:30	Hélène Biot; Changes in primates supplied and offers in Indonesian wildlife markets over the last 25-years	Anderson Saldanha Bueno; Shifting baselines provide over-optimistic assessments of the impacts of land-use change on biodiversity	Yan Ru Choo; Estimated abundance and activity centres of the Sri Lankan leopard (<i>Panthera pardus kotiya</i>) in Horton Plains National Park, Sri Lanka	Sachin Sridhara; An indirect test suggests that 'landscapes of fear' influences spatial seed dispersal patterns of a tropical ruminant	Naoki Tani; Fine-scale genetic differentiation causes uneven fitness among seedlings in a dipterocarp species	Kenny Chua; Fish diversity loss affects ecosystem functioning in Southeast Asian fresh waters: impacts on nutrient cycling and trophic energy flows	Karen Bell; Applying pollen DNA metabarcoding to the study of quantitative plant-pollinator networks in tropical ecosystems	Ann Marie Gawel; Non-native rats have mixed ecological roles in a system devoid of native seed dispersers										

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11:30 - 12:30	Keynote Lecture 2 - Protected Areas of Bhutan and Its New Financing Strategy <i>Speaker: Sonam Wangdi, Chief Forestry Officer, Nature Conservation Division, Department of Forests and Park Services, Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Royal Government of Bhutan, Thimphu</i>									Colosseum 1, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch									Eiffel & Olympia, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	ATBC - African Chapter Meeting									Taj Mahal, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	ATBC - Asian Chapter Meeting									Giza, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	ATBC 2018 Soft Skills Workshops Conservation Science in Practice & Communication <i>Edu Eliom</i>				Eiffel 1, Lobby Level	ATBC 2018 Soft Skills Workshops Introduction to Crowd Funding for Conservation <i>Emilio Bruna</i>				Eiffel 2, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	Nature Art Station <i>(Please refer to page 45 for more information)</i>									Foyer, Level 2
	GENERAL SESSION 15 Wildlife Trade	SYMPOSIUM 17 Impacts of Tropical Landscape Change on Human Diet and Local Food Systems	GENERAL SESSION 9.2 Mammal Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 16 Plant Ecology	GENERAL SESSION 17.1 Forest Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 1.3 Bird Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 18.1 Invertebrate Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 19.1 Biodiversity Patterns		
14:00 - 14:15	Caroline Dingle; From Parrots to Songbirds: Tracking trends and attitudes related to the pet bird trade in Hong Kong.	Dominic Rowland; The importance of forested landscapes for food security and nutrition across agricultural transitions: a multi-country comparative analysis	Ewan McDonald; Simulating impacts of rapid forest loss on population size, connectivity and genetic diversity of Sunda clouded leopards (<i>Neofelis diardi</i>) in Borneo	Libertad Sanchez-Presa; Pines and needles: functional and phylogenetic diversity across elevational gradients in Mexican coniferous forests.	Ian McFadden; Disentangling the mechanistic and functional trait drivers of spatial aggregation in tropical forest trees	Ravinder Kaur; Occupancy modeling for detecting potential hornbill nest trees in a secondary forest patch in the Kinabatangan Wildlife Sanctuary, Borneo, Malaysia	Jonathan Parrett; Male contest competition increases population resilience to habitat change: sexual selection enhances the survival and persistence of Bornean dung beetles within modified forest	Brett Scheffers; Vertical stratification influences global patterns of biodiversity		
14:15 - 14:30	Luke Gibson; Pittfalls in the Ivory Trade: Missing Hippo Teeth and Mismatched Trade Bars in China and Hong Kong	Laura Vang Rasmussen; Landscape Change and Dietary Diversity in the Global Tropics	Sophie Calme; The effect of natural habitat and human activities on large cat's predation risk in a tropical landscape: including spatial and temporal scales in a two-dimensional approach	Ting Shen; Vertical gradient in bryophyte diversity and species composition in tropical and subtropical forests in Yunnan, SW China	Jennifer Lucey; Forest Integrity Assessment: testing a new field assessment tool for identifying and monitoring conservation set-asides	Robin Lietz; Habitat associations of great argus and Bornean crested fireback in three commercial forest reserves in Sabah, Malaysian Borneo	Adam Sharp; Beetles and Beta-Diversity at the SAFE Project	Daniela Magdalena Sorger; The hidden diversity of trap-jaw ants along elevational gradients in Borneo		
14:30 - 14:45	Pegine Weckauf; Understanding urban bushmeat consumer profiles through human-centered design – A case study from Cambodia	Brownen Powell; Associations between dietary quality, biodiversity and landscape structure in the Eastern Arc Mountains	Nimisha Srivastava; Mammalian response to human dominated matrix reveals conditional opportunity for human-wildlife coexistence in the north-west Himalaya	Sébastien Albert; Dramatic loss of native fleshy-fruited plant diversity on recent lava flows of the Piton de La Fournaise volcano (Reunion, Mascarene islands)	Ravi Chaturvedi; Decline in soil moisture availability elevate the effects of disturbances in tropical dry forest	Xi Zheng; 15 years of wintering waterbird survey in Hainan: so much land, so little bird...	Friederike Gebert; Dung beetles (Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae) along elevational and land use gradients on Mt. Kilimanjaro: Which factors predict species richness and abundance?	Kingsly Chuo Beng; How many sampling events per year are required to quantify biodiversity change?		
14:45 - 15:00	Brian Crudge; Interviews with bear bile farmers in Vietnam highlight negative conservation implications	Amy Ickowitz; From Growing Food to Growing Cash: Dietary consequences of transitions to oil palm in Borneo, Indonesia	Roshan Guharajan; Survival strategies of the sun bear (<i>Helarctos malayanus</i>) in a forest-oil palm landscape.	Rongjing Zhang; Spermatophyte flora of Yinggeling National Nature Reserve of Hainan, China	Edicson Parra-Sanchez; Pushing the limits of plant communities resilience to human disturbance	Wanrong Chen; Saving the last home of the Green peafowl	Liesbeth Frias; Factors influencing the distribution of soil-transmitted helminths in a fragmented landscape in Sabah	Gregoire Blanchard; Water availability shapes the functional structure of lowland tropical forest tree communities at both regional and landscape scales in New Caledonia		

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15:00 - 15:15	Trang Nguyen; Growth of illegal ivory trade network in Cambodia		Ryan Ariandiy; Assessing ecological information of less charismatic species from camera trap data; Study cases of mammals in Kampar Peninsula	Weng Ngai Lam; Generalizable principles of facilitation and mutualism from the phytotelmata of <i>Nepenthes</i> pitcher plants	John Terborgh; Are blowdowns reducing forest carbon stocks in the Western Amazon?	Camille Silvoza; Abundance of island avian predators in a heavily impacted tropical forest suggests that endemics face greatest risk from landscape changes	Sille Holm; Comparative ecology of geometrid moths from tropical Uganda	Jonathan Myers; Differing strengths of density dependence between arbuscular mycorrhizal and ectomycorrhizal tree species do not explain the latitudinal diversity gradient	
15:15 - 15:30	Anthony Lau; Review on prosecution against illegal wildlife trade in mainland China and Hong Kong		Leona Wai; Ecology of Otters in the Lower Kinabatangan Wildlife Sanctuary	Ling Zhang; Mating system and fine-scale spatial genetic structure in the aggregated, self-compatible hermaphrodite mistletoe <i>Dendrophthoe pentandra</i> (Loranthaceae) in Xishuangbanna, SW China	Jorge A. Meave; Resilience of a dry tropical forest in southern Mexico	Alfred Mani; Response of insect and bird communities in tropical rainforests of Papua New Guinea to elevation and disturbance			
15:30 - 15:45						Patrick Hart; The effects of habitat fragmentation on bird song characteristics in a neotropical forest			
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break								Foyer, Level 2
	GENERAL SESSION 20 Hunting & Trade	SPEED PRESENTATIONS	GENERAL SESSION 9.3 Mammal Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 21 Key Conservation Issues in Malaysia	GENERAL SESSION 22 Karst Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 23 Fire & Tropical Rain Forests	GENERAL SESSION 24 Ecosystem Services		
16:00 - 16:15	Paul Frederick Eshoo; Design, monitoring and evaluation of a direct payments approach for an ecotourism strategy to reduce illegal hunting and trade of wildlife in Lao PDR	Speed Presentations <i>Kindly refer to page 50 for full list of Speed Presentations</i>	Jo Leen Yap; Primate research and conservation in Penang: Introducing Langur Project Penang (LPP)	Sivananthan Etagupillay; National Framework for Protected Areas (NFPA): Strengthening PA Governance to Fulfill PA Coverage Targets by 2025	Hayden Davis; Uncovering karst endemism within Southeast Asia with an emphasis on Bornean <i>Cyrtodactylus</i>	Mark Harrison; Impacts of wildfires on forest biodiversity in Indonesian Borneo	Murna Tela; The value of forest fragments in maintaining ecosystem services for subsistence farming in West - African Montane forest		
16:15 - 16:30	Emerson Sy; The trade dynamics of the Philippine Forest Turtle <i>Siebenrockiella leyensis</i>		Michelle Wong; An alternative approach to salvage a highly threatened ungulate population – a case study on Hainan Eld's Deer (<i>Rucervus eldi</i>)	Siti Azizah Mohd Nor; Reaching high towards a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve (BR) status: Penang Hill and its surrounds	Ze-xin Fan; Seasonal dynamics of stem radial growth of evergreen and deciduous tree species and their responses to microclimate in an Asian tropical dry karst forest	Susan Lappan; Long-term effects of forest fires on the ranging behavior of siamangs (<i>Symphalangus syndactylus</i>) in southern Sumatra, Indonesia	Matthew Bowie; Coffee - can sustainability schemes really address threats to biodiversity conservation?		

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18:30 - 16:45	Pei Hue Koh; Impacts of enforcement on Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities: How current enforcement strategies impact communities?	Speed Presentations <i>Kindly refer to page 50 for full list of Speed Presentations</i>	Rosie Drinkwater; Spatial patterns of mammalian diversity in Borneo, identified using leech-based molecular sampling	Ngai Weng Chan; Conservation of Ulu Muda forest for Ecotourism and Ecosystem Services	Junn Kitt Foon; Snails, Cement and Conservation: Bridging the science and management of limestone karst biodiversity in the most extensively quarried landscape in Peninsular Malaysia	Paulo Brando; Future changes in Amazon's fire regimes	Hafsa; The effect of temperature on insect flower visitor and its consequence to the quality and quantity of coffee fruit			
16:45 - 17:00	Hannah O'Kelly; Evaluating the Effectiveness of Efforts to Combat the Illegal Wildlife Trade		Boyd Simpson; Mammal Diversity in the Heart of Borneo	Malcom Demies; Biodiversity Conservation in Sarawak, Malaysia		Lydia Cole; Flaming peat: a palaeoecological perspective on burning in tropical peatland				
17:00 - 18:30	Panel Discussion 2 - Financing Biodiversity Conservation in the Tropics <i>Moderator: Dr K. Nagulendran, Undersecretary, Strategic Technology and S&T Application Division, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation Malaysia</i>									Colosseum 1, Level 2
	<i>Speakers:</i> 1. Dr Simon Hedges, CEO & Co-Founder, Asian Arks 2. Ir. Dr. G. Balamurugan, Managing Director, ERE Consulting Group 3. Pek Chuan Gan, Programme Manager, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)									
19:00 - 21:00	Science Café 2 - Governance, The National Trust and Biodiversity Conservation in Malaysia <i>By Pek Chuan Gan, Ivy Wong, Dr Sivananthan Elagupillay</i> <i>(Please refer to page 44 for more information)</i>									Old Courthouse

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08:00 - 17:00	Registration								
09:30 - 17:00	Exhibition Opening								
	SYMPOSIUM 18.1 Making Science Matter - From Conservation Research to Implementation	GENERAL SESSION 25 Climate Change	SYMPOSIUM 19.1 Moving Towards Coexistence – Reconciling Asian Elephant's Behaviour and Humans' Social Dimension	SYMPOSIUM 20 Novel Techniques and Emerging Findings in Tropical Bat Ecology and Conservation	SYMPOSIUM 21 Seeding Resilient Forest Landscape Restoration and its Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals	GENERAL SESSION 17.2 Forest Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 26 Impacts of Logging on Tropical Forests	SYMPOSIUM 22 Plant-Soil-Microbial Interactions in the Tropics	GENERAL SESSION 27.1 Miscellaneous Conservation
08:30 - 08:45	Bea Maas; Ecosystem services in tropical agroforestry - opportunities for conservation, mainstreaming, and implementation	Richard Corlett; Anthropogenic climate change in Southeast Asia and its impacts on biodiversity.	Anandakumar Mavatur; Elephant messengers: mobiles for Asian elephant conservation in urbanized settings in south India	Heather Davies; Regional scale analysis of bat-virus associations in Tropical Asia to support One Health surveillance	Stephen Elliott; Developing protocols for locating seed trees by drone	Iveren Abiem; Is regeneration in tropical Afromontane forests declining? An assessment of seed rain and seedling composition and diversity in a Nigerian Montane forest	Anand Poopsind; Trade-offs between carbon stocks and timber recovery in tropical forests are mediated by logging intensity	Francis Brearley; Fungal community structure along a tropical ultramafic altitudinal transect in Malaysia	Chanratana Pin; Seasonal waterholes support globally threatened species in the Deciduous Dipterocarp Forests of the Eastern Plains Landscape of Cambodia
08:45 - 09:00	Zulkifli Idris; Co-management of conservation area: Local government perspective on the management of conservation area in Banyuwangi District, South Sumatra, Indonesia	Robert Davis; Too hot to handle? Vulnerability of the Megapodes (Megapodiidae, Aves) to Climate Change.	Jamie Wadley; Movement responses of translocated elephants in Peninsular Malaysia	Ellen McArthur; Acoustic Diversity and Activity Pattern of Insectivorous Bats in a Riverine Forest of Gunung Mulu National Park, Malaysian Borneo	Dzaerman Dzulkifli; Private-public partnerships to support conservation and restoration within Malaysia's Central Forest Spine Initiative	Jesús Aguirre-Gutierrez; Shift in community level traits across forest types in tropical Ghana, result of climate changes, phenology changes or both?	Cindy Cosset; How does restoring logged tropical forests affect biodiversity?	Masayuki Ushio; Plant-soil feedbacks and the dominance of conifers in a tropical montane forest in Borneo	Joanne Li; Creating Wildlife-Friendly Water Retention Systems in Dry Forest Ecosystems
09:00 - 09:15	Cagan Sekercioglu; Promoting community-based bird monitoring in the tropics: Conservation, research, environmental education, capacity-building, and local incomes	Sujata Uppguta; Multi-scale modeling of anthropogenic and climatic drivers of vegetation cover change in the Uttarakhand Himalaya	Nachiketha Sharma; Behavioural responses of Asian elephants to human disturbance in relatively undisturbed habitat	David Hemprich-Bennett; DNA barcoding allows novel insights into the diet of insectivorous bats in Sabah's logged and primary forest	Christopher Kettle; Diversity for restoration: Scaling up to fail or deliver sustainable development	Andreas Hemp; Ecology and conservation of Entandrophragma excelsum, Africa's tallest tree species on Kilimanjaro	Tom Swinfield; The effect of selective logging and topography on canopy tree stoichiometry	Krista McGuire; Fungal and bacterial assembly across soil types and horizons at Lambir Hills, Malaysia	Birbin Li; Free-ranging livestock in forests encroach the habitat of threatened wildlife
09:15 - 09:30	Maria J. Santos; Role of actors and conflict in building local capacity to implement conservation decisions on the ground	Eloisa Lasso; Using Open top chambers (OTC) to simulate future warming scenarios in the Paramos, a tropical alpine ecosystem of the Northern Andes	Simon Hedges; Do new developments in insurance schemes represent a promising new way to facilitate human-elephant co-existence?	Marcus Chua; Into the light: Atypical diurnal foraging activity of Blyth's horseshoe bat, <i>Rhinophus lepidus</i> on Tioman Island, Malaysia	Arbainsyah I; Capacity-building to promote coal mine site rehabilitation in Kalimantan (Indonesian Borneo)	Mariana Y. Alvarez-Añorve; Use of the spectral reflectance to study the diversity and ecological processes of plant tropical communities.	David Milodowsky; Using airborne LiDAR to map the structural impacts of logging and land use change on forest canopies across a gradient of degradation in Sabah, Malaysian Borneo.	Liam Trethowan; Stoichiometric niche shift at a biogeographic juncture: a comprehension of the Sulawesi edaphic mosaic	Guohuang Huang; Sustaining raintorest bird communities in a deforested and heterogeneous landscape

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09:30 - 09:45	Joe Chun-Chia Huang, Toward an open science platform for Asian Soundscapes network	Wenda Cheng; Complex occurrence changes in a tropical lowland moth community following a decade of warming	Ee Phin Wong; Breaking through "Us versus them": how cognitive psychology and hormones help to bridge the divide between humans and elephants	Irene Conenna; Home range and space use by the yellow-winged bat (<i>Lavia frons</i>) in a tropical desert	Marlene Elias; Gender Matters in Forest Landscape Restoration: A Framework for Design and Evaluation	Taal Levi; Tropical forests are hyper-diverse because of enemies	Alexander Shenkin; Why are large trees vulnerable to drought, and can management help? The interactive roles of tree size, crown exposure, and logging in drought-induced tree mortality	Giacomco Sellan; Influence of a Bornean health forest (kerangas) structure, species composition and growth.	Sharif Ahmed Mukul; Conservation benefits of tropical multifunctional land-uses in and around a forest protected area of Bangladesh
09:45 - 10:00	Alice Hughes; Translating Conservation Science into Conservation Action	Fathimah Handayani; Extensive range contraction predicted under climate warming for a gliding mammal in north-eastern Australia	Alexander Zimmermann; Principles of human dimensions in HEC mitigation processes	Adria Lopez-Baucells; Optimising acoustic survey protocols for bat research in species-rich tropical forests	Sophie Schwer; Community mapping, forest restoration and sustainable development		Francis E. "Jack" Putz; Pan-tropical comparisons of selective logging emissions and potential emission reductions from reduced-impact logging	R. Max Segnitz; Assembly and consequences of root-fungal associations across a soil fertility gradient in a Bornean rainforest.	Ho Sang Kang; AKECOP: Partnership between ASEAN and Korea towards a sustainable tropical forest ecosystem management
10:00 - 10:15									Guilherme Ferreira; Strict protected areas are crucial for the conservation of threatened and larger mammal species in the Brazilian Cerrado
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break								
	SYMPOSIUM 18.2 Making Science Matter - From Conservation Research to Implementation	GENERAL SESSION 28 Impacts of Land Use Change	SYMPOSIUM 19.2 Moving Towards Coexistence – Reconciling Asian Elephant's Behaviour and Humans' Social Dimension	SYMPOSIUM 23 Bat Ecology and Conservation: A Pan-tropical Perspective	SYMPOSIUM 24 Tropical Plant-Pathogen Interactions in a Changing World	GENERAL SESSION 29.1 Human Influence in Tropical Ecosystems	SYMPOSIUM 25 Exploring The Consequences of Anthropogenic Change for Symbiotic Species in Tropical Ecosystems	GENERAL SESSION 30 Plant-Soil-Microbial Interactions	
10:30 - 10:45	Rachel Friedman; How Just and Just How? Incorporating Social Equity Considerations into Conservation Research and Decision-Making	Edu Effiom; Thinking beyond advancing low-carbon pathways to achieving multiple benefits from land-use through REDD+ in developing countries, the Nigeria experience.	Ashoka Deegoda Gamage; Tool use by elephants - "implication for HEC mitigation" in Udawalawe National Park Sri Lanka	Krizler Tanalogo; Scanning the underworld – the global distribution and conservation of cave-dwelling bats	Lars Markestajin; Fungal pathogens and insect herbivores mediate seedling dynamics and diversity patterns along a tropical forest humidity gradient.	David Campbell; Amazonian forest oligarchies are derived from Pre-Columbian unnatural selection	Petr Klimes; Ant-trophobiont interactions inside nests in tropical trees: opening the black box	Ardhini Maharning; Soil Nematode Community Shifted to Bacterial-Based Food Web in Response to the Tropical Agricultural Plants	
10:45 - 11:00	Akiva Topper; Social media as a novel platform for direct and indirect conservation	Eleanor Warren-Thomas; Biodiversity loss and carbon emissions from forest conversion to rubber in Asia: can carbon finance help, and what can rubber agroforestry offer?	John McEvoy; Translocating "Problem" Elephants – What can we learn from their movement behaviour?	Farah Carrasco-Rueda; Effects of agricultural activities on bat community in Madre de Dios, Peru	Julian Donald; Understanding endophyte diversity using metagenomics: initial findings from a neotropical rainforest canopy	Ted Feldpauch; Fire, forests, and farms: linking pre-Columbian Amazonian legacies to modern forests	Mickal Houadria; Mutualistic ant partners go on 'Leave' in Borneo oil palm plantations	Michiel Van Bruegel; Soil nutrients account for significant variation in species composition of secondary forests on a local, but not landscape scale	
11:00 - 11:15	Naven Hon; Making Science Matter - from conservation research to implementation: integrating citizen science in income generation and site management at Veun Sai-Siem Pang National Park,	Tommaso Jucker; Taking the temperature of human-modified tropical forest landscapes from a mile up using airborne laser scanning	Varun Goswami; Expanding the scope of conservation: Response to Asian elephants in large, private landholdings	Neil Jun Lobite; How Rainforest Transformation to Rubber and Oil Palm affects Chiropteran Diversity at Multiple Dimensions: Insights from Sumatra, Indonesia and Palawan, Philippines	Robert Bagchi; How might altered plant-pathogen interactions reduce plant diversity in disturbed forests?	Elspeeth Wilman; Examination of human influence on island biogeography in the Sunda Islands	Sze Hwei Zoe Yek; The diversity of ant-plant symbioses in the diminishing South East Asia forests	Tze Kwan Fung; Decomposition in surface soil in human-modified landscapes of tropical Singapore	

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11:15 - 11:30	Rizza Karen Veridiano; Bridging the gap of science and policy; a look on community-based forest conservation approach in the Philippines "Last Ecological Frontier"	Fengyi Guo; Land-use change interacts with climate to determine elevational species redistribution	Cheryl Cheah Phaik Inim; Finding joint solutions for Human-Elephant Conflict in an intensifying plantation landscape in Sabah, Malaysian Borneo	Hana Soualah Ailia; Effect of aquatic systems and natural Habitat on activities; Abundance and diversity Of Bats species in Medjerda watershed, (Souk Ahras, Algeria)	Julieta Benitez-Malvido; Tropical rainforest fragmentation and plant susceptibility to pathogen attack	Krishnapriya Tamma; Human impacts on forest-savanna bimodality at continental scales in tropical Africa	Chua Wanji; Diversity and network structure of Crematogaster-Macaranga interactions in different habitats	Xubing Liu; Soil phosphorus partitioning and species coexistence among arbuscular and ectomycorrhizal trees in tropical and subtropical forests	
11:30 - 12:30	<p align="center">Keynote Lecture 3 - The Political Future of Haze and Peatlands in Southeast Asia <i>Speaker: Dr Helena Varkey, Senior Lecturer, Department of International and Strategic Studies, University of Malaya</i></p>								Colosseum 1, Level 2
12:00 - 14:00	Mentoring Circle Lunch								Eiffel 1 & 2, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch								Eiffel & Olympia, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	Nature Art Station <i>(Please refer to page 45 for more information)</i>								Foyer, Level 2
	GENERAL SESSION 31 Making Science Matter	SYMPOSIUM 26 Role of Local Community in the Conservation of Tomorrow's Biodiversity	GENERAL SESSION 32 Asian Elephant Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 33 Bat Ecology & Conservation	SYMPOSIUM 27 Socio-Ecological Dimensions of Forest Transitions and Second Growth Forests in Tropical Landscapes	GENERAL SESSION 34 Mangroves and Coral Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 35 Spatial Patterns of Tropical Biodiversity	GENERAL SESSION 36 Arboreal Mammals Ecology & Conservation	
14:00 - 14:15	Neha Sinha; Decision making in the face of post-proctect impacts: the case of the Amur Falcon in Nagaland, India	Sharina Abdul Halim; Can community-based management increase resource conservation: Experience from selected fishing co-operatives groups (KPSP) in Langkawi UNESCO Global Geopark	Sam Un Eam; Using fecal DNA to estimate Asian elephant population abundance in the Cardamom Mountain Landscape, Cambodia	Ricardo Rocha; Neotropical bats in a recovering fragmented landscape: effects of matrix regeneration on specialist and generalist species	Ana Sofia Nanni; Neotropical reforestation hotspots: Biophysical and socioeconomic typologies of contemporary forest expansion	Suyadi Suyadi; Characterizing changes in spatial metrics in expanding mangrove forests	Maria Natalia Umana; Tree species and functional distribution in response to a rainfall gradient in Panama.	Jessica Haysom; Borneo's Arboreal Mammals: Diversity and Vulnerability to Habitat Change	
14:15 - 14:30	Naruemon Tantipisanuh; National Biodiversity Hotspot Identification – Importance of Unpublished Data	Christine Wulandari; Community Social Capital for the Conservation of Forest Biodiversity in Forest Park Register 19, Lampung Province, Indonesia	Priya Davidar; Conservation genetics of Asian elephants (Elephas maximus) in peninsula India	Chao-lung Hsu; Seasonal variation in bat species composition and activity in different habitat types at a humid forest of northeastern Taiwan	Trevor Caughlin; Spatial models to link landowner decision-making with tree cover dynamics in Southwestern Panama	Ayu Lana Nafisyah; Benthic microalgae in Indonesian mangrove sediments: their nature to adapt unique environment	559, Elizabeth Raine; Using joint species distribution modelling to understand the factors that influence the distribution of a key ecological indicator group	1055, Li Fei; Current diversity and status of tree squirrels and flying squirrels in Yunnan Gaoligongshan, China: a mega-hotspot for scurid diversity	
14:30 - 14:45	Jonathan Hunter; Evidence-based approaches for proactive protection of tropical wildlife in Southeast Asia	Tapan Kumar Nath; Community Forest Management for Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Community Development	Vivienne Loke Pei Wen; Dietary and Herbivory impacts of Asian Elephants on Forest Structure in Peninsular Malaysia	Luis Daniel Avila-Cabadilla; Drivers potentially influencing host-bat fly interactions in anthropogenic Neotropical landscapes at different spatial scales	Naomi Schwartz; Reversals of reforestation in Latin America and the Caribbean between 2001 and 2014	Aidan William Short; Cold tolerance in the black mangrove, Bruguiera gymnorrhiza	Ryan Chisholm; Species-area relationships and biodiversity loss in fragmented landscapes	Mariane Kaizer; Into the canopy; camera traps as an efficient tool for arboreal mammals monitoring and conservation	
14:45 - 15:00	Tasya Sarira; So where do we begin? Analysing conservation priorities for the Asia Pacific	Justine Vaz; Our shared heritage; our shared responsibility: putting policy into practice – enabling community participation in the care and protection of vital natural areas	Jean-Philippe Puyravaud; Modelling the combined effects of climate change and anthropogenic impact on the future distribution of the Asian Elephant (Elephas maximus) in South Asia	Ryszard Oleksy; The impact of the Mauritian flying fox (Pteropus niger) on commercial fruit plantations through high resolution GPS tracking and orchard assessment	Robin Chazdon; Assessing the evidence base for nature's contributions to people through forest restoration and reforestation in the tropics	Jacob Bukoski; Variation in structure, species composition and ecosystem carbon stocks in a deltaic versus estuarine mangrove forest	Boris Bongalov; Scale-dependent interaction between niche and neutral processes gives rise to plant diversity gradients in tropical forest landscapes.	Molly Hennekam; Getting off the ground: Can drone-based surveys effectively estimate arboreal mammal populations? A case study for the Koala on Kangaroo Island.	

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15:00 - 15:15	Jian-Huan Yang; Harmonizing conservation and development: a tale from Cambodia	Ahmad Kusworo; Monitoring Poverty in Social Forestry Areas	Athena Syarifia; Genetic Diversity of Sumatran Elephant Population in Bukit Barisan Selatan National Park, Sumatra	Tammy Milidenstein; Small islands pose big problems for the world's largest bats	Elena Lazos-Chavero; Dynamics and meanings of tropical reforestation for rural livelihoods in Mexico	Rempel Suwa; Dwarfing phenomenon and biomass estimation of a mangrove in the Philippines	Kipro Damas; Ecological drivers of species distribution in <i>Syzygium</i> (Myrtaceae), a hyperdiverse genus of trees in New Guinean forests	Norman Lim; Glide performance and tree usage in the Sunda colugo (<i>Galeopterus variegatus</i>); implications for habitat connectivity	
15:15 - 15:30	Sandy Andelman; The Legacy of the Organization for Tropical Studies in Enhancing Conservation Policy in the Tropics	Lou Martini; Linking life history to the conservation of Amazon River turtles: The effectiveness of conventional and community-based management approaches to turtle conservation at the Rio Trombetas Biological Reserve, Brazil		F. B. Vincent Florens; Mass-culling of a threatened island flying fox species fails to increase fruit-growers' profits and worsens conservation issues	Micah Scudder; Effectiveness of community forest enterprises in conserving biodiversity in Papua New Guinea	Yan Zhou; Exploring Coral Restoration at Dapeng Bay at Southeast China at the Northern Tip of the Coral Triangle	Gideon Lee; Species differences or stochasticity: What drives successional trajectories in local and landscape scale diversities?	Priscilla Miard; Distribution and population densities of nocturnal arboreal mammals in Penang Island, Peninsular Malaysia	
15:30 - 15:45	Lili bin Tokiman; Endau-Rompin Johor National Park – Challenges and Lesson Learnt				Leighton Reed; Ephemeral forests: rapid re-clearing of secondary tropical forests in southern Costa Rica	Shin-ya Morishima; Zooxanthella expelled from giant clams (<i>Tridacna crocea</i>): possible symbiont source of coral reef ecosystem		Geraldine Veron; First results on the status of the elusive Palawan binturong	
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15:45 - 17:00	Coffee Break & Poster Presentation <i>(Please refer to page 46 for poster titles)</i>								Foyer, Level 2
15:30 - 17:00	ATBC - Neotropical Chapter Meeting								Eiffel 1, Lobby Level
17:00 - 18:30	ATBC Open Forum								Colosseum 1, Level 2
19:00 - 21:00	Science Café 3 - New Discoveries and The Search for Lost Species in Borneo <i>By Chien C. Lee</i> <i>(Please refer to page 44 for more information)</i>								Old Courthouse

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08:00 - 12:00	Registration								Lobby Level
09:30 - 16:00	Exhibition Opening								Level 2
	SYMPOSIUM 28.1 Biodiversity Loss on Islands. Causes, Consequences, and Approaches for Restoring Diversity and Ecosystem Function	SYMPOSIUM 29 Spatial analysis to support conservation and restoration planning for tropical tree species	SYMPOSIUM 30.1 Trophic Interactions in Human-Modified Tropical Landscapes	SYMPOSIUM 31 Advances in The Understanding of Tropical Bats as Pollinators and Seed Dispersers	SYMPOSIUM 32.1 Frontiers in Demographic Modeling for Tropical Forest Ecology and Conservation	SYMPOSIUM 33 Lianas and Their Impact on Ecosystem Processes	GENERAL SESSION 29.2 Human Influence in Tropical Ecosystems	GENERAL SESSION 18.2 Invertebrate Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 9.4 Mammal Ecology & Conservation
08:30 - 08:45	Halde Rogers; Restoring seed dispersal to an empty forest: a case study from the island of Guam	Riina Jalonen; Filling the knowledge gaps for conservation of priority tree species: Introduction to the session	Cristina Banks-Leite; Functional diversity is a poor representation of ecosystem functioning changes caused by habitat disturbance	Tuanjit Sritongchuyai; Role of specialist and facultative nectar-feeding bats in the pollination network in the agricultural system	Emilio Bruna; Are there synergistic effects of drought and fragmentation on the demography of tropical understorey plants?	Frans Bongers; Pervasive decline in lianas in Congo basin contrasts with global patterns	Supeni Sufaati; The most marketable wild edible mushrooms in the northern lowland of Papua, Indonesia	Timothy Bonebrake; Morphological and behavioral specialization of tropical butterflies permits persistence in marginal environments	Nicolas Deere; A nuanced insight into the impacts of tropical forest degradation on medium-large mammals
08:45 - 09:00	Anna Traveset; Mutualistic networks in the Galapagos Islands and how alien species modify their structure	Hew Leung Lee; Predicting Dipterocarpaceae Distribution for Prioritizing Conservation Areas in Sabah	Li Yuen Chiew; Dung beetle and mammal interaction networks across a multi-use landscape in Sabah	Shaema Abdul Aziz; Flying foxes, plants, and people: conserving an uncharismatic animal of ecological and economic importance	Takashi Kohyama; Relating demography and primary productivity among tree species and across forests	Chris Chandler; Linking landscape-scale liana infestation to carbon storage using airborne hyperspectral imagery	Tilo Indrawan; Linking RSP0 Compensation to Village Forest.	Catherine Hulstoft; Species and trait diversity of an insular tropical Lepidoptera assemblage across space and time	Eva Gazagne; Surviving in a degraded forest environment: foraging strategies and space use of northern pigtailed macaques (Macaca leonina) in Sakeraet Biosphere reserve, Northeastern Thailand.
09:00 - 09:15	Evan Pehm; Slowed regeneration of native montane forests on Hawai'i: ecological thresholds and alternative stable states	Kevin Kit Siong Ng; Plant material transfer guidelines of important tropical tree species and its application for forest rehabilitation	Daisy Dent; Tree and bird communities show parallel responses to loss of forest cover in a human-modified landscape in central Panama	"Sheherazade Sheherazade; Big roles from big bats! From the world's smallest fruit to the lush forests of Indonesia"	Jenny Zambrano; Using Integral Projection Models to study the effects of forest fragmentation on the population dynamics of a late-successional tropical tree	Frank Sterck; Branch development helps explaining the greater success of lianas over trees in dry compared to wet forest.	Sitfi Iriyani; The legal basis for Forest Management Units as Conservation practitioners in Aceh Province, Indonesia	Chung Lim Luk; Inter-annual Monitoring Improves Capture of Regional Tropical Butterfly Assemblages	Leandro do Nascimento; Passive acoustic monitoring unveil howler monkeys' vocal repertoire and call functions
09:15 - 09:30	Susan Cordell; Functional restoration attempts in Island forests: Why redundancy wins in the short term	Soon Leong Lee; Life history approach to develop genetic conservation guidelines of forest tree species in the tropics	Poss Gray; Effect of tropical forest disturbance on the competitive interactions within a diverse ant community	Voon Ching Lim; Utilisation of DNA Barcoding in Assessing the Diversity of Bats and Their Phytophagous Diet in Peninsular Malaysia	Rachel Hillier; Variation in germination and survival of early life history stages affects the population growth of palms across their elevational ranges.	Sergio Estrada Villegas; Lianas decrease biomass accumulation in early successional tropical forests	Ni Kadek Erosi Undaharta; The cultural significance and conservation of Dipterocarpus haseltii Blume in sacred groves in Bali, Indonesia	Shuang Xing; Treading the Wallacean shortfall for an endangered, iconic and in-demand tropical butterfly (Teinopalpus aureus)	Faisal Ali Anwarali Khan; A test of species delimitation and biogeography hypothesis using Southeast Asian round-leaf bats (Genus Hipposideros)
09:30 - 09:45	Julia Heinen; Extinction-Driven Changes in Frugivore Communities on Oceanic Islands	Chin Hong Ng; Genetic diversity assessment of Intsia palenrangia and its implications for conservation	Victoria Kemp; Diet shift of mobile predators in response to habitat disturbance	Christine Ely Nuevo Diego; Reproductive biology of a critically endangered mangrove, Somateria griffithii Kurz 1871, in Satun province, Thailand	Orou Gaoze; Low reproductive values confer resilience of mangrove species to harvest	Andrew Marshall; Forest resilience to global liana proliferation	Prashanth Ballullaya U; Conservation of sacred groves of the Western Ghats: contrast in perception among rural and urban neighborhood communities	Eric Guilbert; Altitudinal filtering of Planthopper (Insecta Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha) on Mont Wilhelm (Papua New Guinea)	Marina Mohd Top @ Mohd. Tah; A Preliminary Observation on Activity Patterns of Two Porcupine Species using Camera Traps in Sarawak, Malaysia
09:45 - 10:00	Julian Schrader; The Small-Island Effect Revisited: Patterns and Drivers of Species Richness on Small Islands in a Tropical Archipelago			Nor Zaliyah Mohamed; Knowledge, Attitude and Perception among Durian Growers toward Bats Visiting Their Durian Orchards in Kuala Nerus, Terengganu, Malaysia	Marco Visser; Beyond density-dependence alone: How density-dependent and independent mechanisms together determine species abundance in a common tree species.	Elizabeth Kearsley; Assessing the impact of lianas on tree growth in tropical forests	Sergio Milheiras; Are perceptions of biodiversity and ecosystem service provision linked with attitudes towards conservation? Evidence from eastern Amazon, Brazil	Coralie Martin; Diversity of the Onchocerca genus and emergence of zoonotic infections	Shrutashi Paul; Modelling spatial distribution of northern swamp deer subspecies Rucervus duvauellei duvauellei across upper Gangetic plains, India using survey and molecular data

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10:00 - 10:15						Erica Odell; Lianas and trees: insect folivory and leaf traits in an Australian subtropical rainforest	Ian Munanura; A Family Resilience Conceptual Model for Exploring the Sustainability of Forest Adjacent Communities in Africa.		
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break								
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	SYMPOSIUM 28.2 Biodiversity Loss on Islands. Causes, Consequences, and Approaches for Restoring Diversity and Ecosystem Function	SYMPOSIUM 34 Integrating Perspectives to Address Social-Ecological Challenges in Conservation	SYMPOSIUM 30.2 Trophic Interactions in Human-Modified Tropical Landscapes	GENERAL SESSION 37 Oil Palm & Sustainability	SYMPOSIUM 32.2 Frontiers in Demographic Modeling for Tropical Forest Ecology and Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 38 Pollination & Ecosystem Services	GENERAL SESSION 39 Reptile Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 40 Altered Ecosystems Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 41 Plant Phenological Patterns
10:30 - 10:45	Prishnee Bissessur; When effective conservation of oceanic island plant species depends on systematic understanding of natural history: Case of Mauritius endemic <i>Roussea simplex</i> (Rousseaceae)	Janice Ser Huay Lee; Evaluating the social and ecological factors behind the 2015 extreme fire event in Sumatra, Indonesia	Clare Wilkinson; Freshwater fish suffer large reductions in species and functional richness while maintaining provisioning ecosystem service across a land use gradient in Borneo	Mohamad Ashraf Abdul Mutalib; Alley-cropping System Can Boost Arthropod Biodiversity in Oil Palm Production Landscapes	Wirong Chanthorn; When seed dispersal matters: extracting information of diversity maintenance mechanisms and demography from spatial-point patterns and seed dispersal networks	Jin Chen; Frequent hybridization and obligate pollination may facilitate species diversification of <i>Ficus</i> plants	Muhammad Silmi; Habitat use by king cobras in a palm oil plantation in southern Borneo	Dajun Wang; The home range and movement behaviours of a pack of free-roaming dogs in Singapore.	Akiko Satake; Assessment of plant phenological responses in the tropics based on gene expression analyses and mathematical modeling
10:45 - 11:00	Sampath Seneviratne; Divergence in carotenoid pigments and resultant island endemism of flameback woodpeckers in a tropical island	Kerrie Wilson; Taking a multi-dimensional approach to human-wellbeing - impacts of community forest management in Indonesian Borneo	Zhenghong Wang; Ant assemblage composition explains high predation pressure on artificial caterpillars during early night	Ella Michael Dosi; Fish fauna from conservation area in oil palm plantation of peat	Pieter Zuidema; Individual heterogeneity drives population growth and induces functional equivalence in Malaysian rainforest trees	Shatarupa Ganguly; The relative importance of herkogamy and reciprocity in determining disassortative pollen transfer and fruit set in a stigma height dimorphic species	Sergio Guerrero; Varanus salvator Population Dynamics and Parasite Diversity: A Fast Food Effect in a Fragmented Landscape	Sze Ling Tee; Species composition of native mammals in urban forest patches in Selangor, Malaysia	Koen Hufkens; Toward establishing detailed baseline tree phenology responses to climate drivers for the central Congo Basin
11:00 - 11:15	Shakinah Ravindran; Introduction of Barn Owls in a Tropical Island in the South China Sea for the Control of Rodent Pest Population and for Ecology Studies	Freya St John; Intention to kill: Tolerance and illegal persecution of Sumatran tigers and sympatric species	Jia Huan Liew; Freshwater food webs in the tropics: drivers of structure and responses to anthropogenic habitat modification	Sarah Luke; The value of riparian buffers for conservation in oil palm plantations	Umi Purnamasari; Demography of Javanese Edelweiss (<i>Anaphalis javanica</i> (DC.) Sch.Bip.) on Selo Hiking Track, Semuncar Resort, Merbabu Mountain National Park: A Baseline Measurement for Population Management	Olivier Hardy; Seed and pollen dispersal of African timber tree species - implications for sustainable forest exploitation	493, Felix Landry Yuan; Habitat-specific warming responses in an Afrotropical skink	Roshniath Ramesh; Resilience of heronry birds to urbanization	Souparna Chakrabarty; Quantitative indices of leafing phenology in woody tree species from a seasonally dry tropical forest
11:15 - 11:30	Claudia Baider; Major positive benefits of mechanical control of invasive alien plants on the woody plant community of an oceanic island		Anna Goldman; Mini-cascade: ants exert top-down control on hemipteran herbivores and predators	Darshanaa Chellaiah; Effects of leaf litter quality and riparian buffer structure on community dynamics of bacterial decomposers in oil palm plantations	Thian Yew Loke; Density-Dependent Mortality of Dipterocarp Seedlings within the Degraded Forest of Sungai Tiagu Forest Reserve	Luke Powell; The birds, the bats, the bees and the chocolate trees: Achieving sustainable agriculture in the Afrotropics through DNA metabarcoding and network analysis	Anne Devan-Song; Movement ecology and natural history predict human-snake conflict patterns	Ho Lee; Temporal changes and compositional organization of ant communities along vegetation succession in Hong Kong	

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11:30 - 12:30	Keynote Lecture 4 - Of Supermarkets and Superhighways – The Wildlife Trade of Southeast Asia <i>Speaker: Kamitha Krishnasamy, Acting Regional Director, TRAFFIC</i>								Colosseum 1, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch								Eiffel & Olympia, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	ATBC - Diversity, Gender and Inclusion Meeting								Giza, Level 2
12:30 - 14:00	ATBC 2018 Soft Skills Workshops Pointers for a Successful Job Interview <i>Corinne Vriesendorp & Juan Posada</i>			Eiffel 1, Lobby Level		ATBC 2018 Soft Skills Workshops Diversity and Inclusion in Tropical Biology & Conservation <i>Krista McGuire & Liza Comita</i>			Eiffel 2, Lobby Level
12:30 - 14:00	Nature Art Station (Please refer to page 44 for more information)								Foyer, Level 2
	SYMPOSIUM 35 Connectivity in Tropical Landscapes	GENERAL SESSION 42 Disturbance, Succession & Restoration	GENERAL SESSION 27.2 Miscellaneous Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 43 Ecology & Conservation in Tropical Tree Plantations	GENERAL SESSION 17.3 Forest Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 44 Gibbon Ecology & Conservation	GENERAL SESSION 19.2 Biodiversity Patterns	GENERAL SESSION 45 Forest Fragmentation	
14:00 - 14:15	Jedediah Brodie; How do we decide which wildlife corridors to conserve? Prioritizing connections to maximize regional biodiversity persistence	Renato Crouzeilles; Global map on the ecological uncertainty of forest landscape restoration success	Joao Campos-Silva; Rethinking the tropical sustainable-use protected area paradigm	Katie Oliver; The short lived haven of plantation forests for <i>N. bengalensis</i>	Nimal Gunatilleke; Biodiversity of ecological communities in three isolated hills in Sri Lanka	Lu Yan; Population census and conservation status of the Skywalker hoolock gibbon (<i>Hoolock tianxing</i>) in China	Laura Allen; How we measure diversity matters: assessing variation in biodiversity indicators across a gradient of human disturbance in tropical forest.	Satoshi Naniami; Effects of forest fragmentation on gene flow in two dipterocarp tree species in tropical rain forests in Sarawak, Malaysia	
14:15 - 14:30	Sara Williams; Growing a corridor: incorporating simulated animal movement and location weighting into iterative connectivity optimization	Natalia Norden; Evaluating Tropical Dry Forest Responses to Landscape Degradation and Forest Succession Based On Sounds Of Nature	Eben Goodale; Multinational collaborations in ecology and environmental science within Asia; current status and pathways forward.	David Kurz; Bearded pig (<i>Sus barbatus</i>) utilisation of a fragmented forest-oil palm landscape in Sabah, Malaysian Borneo	Richard Bryan Sebastian; Seeding Diversity and Dynamics across Multiple Land Uses in South Central Sabah	Hoang Trinh Dinh; Habitat assessment and population viability analysis for the Cao-vit gibbon (<i>Nomascus nasutus</i>) in Trung Khanh Forest, Northern Vietnam	Rachakonda Sreekar; Scaling up latitude beta-diversity relationships using ForestGEO plots	Salindra Dayananda; The conservation value of small forest fragments within monoculture rubber plantations in Xishuangbanna, China.	
14:30 - 14:45	Jenny Hodgson; Decision support for restoring ecological networks in tropical developing countries using Condatis	Kwek Yan Chong; Comparing the recovery trajectories in taxonomic and functional composition between young secondary and old-growth forests after an extensive tree fall event	Alison K. S. Wee; Dynamic biodiversity management at range edges	Trifosa Iin Simamora; Biodiversity Conservation Value of Forest Fragments for Birds in Swidden vs. Oil Palm Plantations in West Kalimantan, Indonesia	Selina Ruzi; Can variation in seed removal patterns of Neotropical pioneer tree species be explained by local ant community composition?	Pahayu Oktaviani; Home range use by Javan Gibbons (<i>Hylobates moloch</i>) in Submontane Tropical Forest, Indonesia	Tijana Cvetkovic; Discovering the shape of biodiversity of dominant tree family Dipterocarpaceae from the edge to the core of the distribution	Daniele Ciccuzza; Fern and tree communities in the fragmented tropical forest of China	
14:45 - 15:00	Simon Mitchell; Species traits predict variation in environmental thresholds across logged forests and riparian reserves	Zhila Hemati; Ecological recovery of soil quality through intercropping of rubber plantation	Fiona McAlpine; Training indigenous Scientists to Build a Base for Conservation in the Baram River Basin, Malaysian Borneo	Mark Jun Alcantara; Rubber plantations replace forest ant species with habitat generalists with larger geographic distributions: a case study in Xishuangbanna, China, and a global meta-analysis.	Hao Ran Lai; Functional traits moderate plant recruitment in a wind-disturbed tropical lowland rainforest in Singapore	Wing Yee Fok; Assessment of Community-based Initiatives in conservation project for the World's Most Critically Endangered Primate	Sami Rifai; How much of the global spatiotemporal variation in tropical woody net primary productivity is attributable to meteorological conditions?	Emilie Cros; Genome-wide data reveal patterns of small scale connectivity across fragmented landscape in six songbird species	

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15:00 - 15:15	Divya Vasudev; Human behaviour as a spatio-temporally varying barrier to species connectivity	Natasha De Vere; Rainforest regeneration and restoration investigated using DNA barcoding in the Lower Kinabatangan Floodplain, Sabah, Malaysian Borneo.	Marsya Sibarani; Tambora Muda: Enhancing the capacity building and networking among young conservationists to aid biodiversity conservation in Indonesia	Peter Van Der Meer; Do ecosystem services benefit from intercropping in oil palm smallholdings?	Sara Fern Leitman; A proposed correction formula for litterfall production measurements in a tropical lowland forest	Ahyun Choi; Immatures grow too fast? Age difference in activity budget, feeding and ranging behavior of wild Javan gibbons (<i>Hylobates moloch</i>) is not obvious	Tithira Lakkana; Spatial patterns in the vegetation of a tropical montane cloud forest in Horton Plains, Sri Lanka in relation to disturbance	Miriam San José; Regional context drives the spatial scale that best predicts seed rain responses to landscape structure in fragmented rainforests	
15:15 - 15:30	Corine Vriesendorp; Cultural and biological connectivity in a massive conservation corridor in the Putumayo watershed in South America	Rakan Zahawi; Tropical secondary forest enrichment using giant stakes of keystone figs	Twa Ong-in; Status and Distribution of Forest Partridge in the Thai Peninsula: a worrying situation	Norliyana Zin Zawawi; Effect Of Biochar Application To Nitrous Oxide Emission From Oil Palm Cultivation	Katja Rembold; Stand structural components and species richness across four land-use systems in Sumatra	Saein Lee; Do seasons and reproductive status affect foraging time and diet composition in wild Javan gibbon (<i>Hylobates moloch</i>)?	Junichi Fujinuma; Taxonomic diversity pattern of tropical woody plant species across the globe		
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break								Foyer, Level 2
16:00 - 18:00	Presidential Keynote Address An Earth System View of Tropical Forests <i>Speaker: Prof Yadvinder Malhi, Professor, University of Oxford</i>								Colosseum 1, Level 2
Closing Ceremony									
19:00 - 22:00	ATBC 2018 Banquet								Matang Terrace, Level 1, Hilton Kuching

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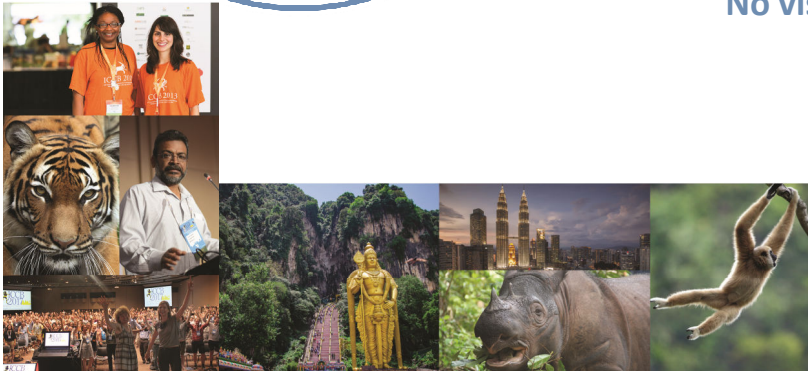
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Sunday, 1 July 2018, 16:00 – 18:00

OPENING CEREMONY | OPENING KEYNOTE

Seeing The Utan From The Orang: Field-Notes From a Recovering Conservationist



June Mary Rubis

Environmental Change Institute, University of Oxford

Presentation Summary:

Here, I reflect on mainstream conservation narratives, politics and power relations around orang utan conservation in Sarawak, and highlight multiple strategies that Indigenous Dayak communities employ to uphold their rights over contested landscapes. Specifically, I reflect on the problematic framing around the current discourse regarding orang utan conservation in Sarawak and elsewhere in Borneo, how the framing works, how Indigenous Ibans resist the framing in diverse ways, and the consequences of focusing on particular narratives. For this talk, I draw on my ethnographic research in Batang Ai, Sarawak from the years 2015-2016, and my overall 12-year long conservation fieldwork and management in Sarawak and Sabah (Malaysian Borneo) and Central Kalimantan (Indonesian Borneo).

Biography:

Combining my overall 12-year long work experience in long-term fieldwork with primate conservation biology in Sarawak and Central Kalimantan, NGO work in Indigenous land issues in Malaysian Borneo, and my academic interest in the intersection of political ecology, Indigeneity and cultural politics, my research focuses on Indigenous responses towards orang utan conservation-making in Batang Ai, Sarawak. I was born and raised in Kuching, and have spent much of my conservation work experience in Sarawak, Sabah and Central Kalimantan. I graduated with a MSc. in Environmental Change & Management (Distinction), from the Environmental Change Institute, University of Oxford on a Chevening-Oxford scholarship and have continued on in the same University to read for my DPhil. It is my hope that this background, in combination with my commitment to Indigenous issues in Borneo will result in a useful PhD project which will contribute to not only our understanding of the struggle of Indigenous land issues and history of conservation in Sarawak but also to policy and scholarship tackling Sarawak's current conservation and land issues.

Monday, 2 July 2018, 11:30 – 12:30

KEYNOTE LECTURE 1

How to Explain The Biogeographic Patterns in SE-Asia's Equatorial Forests



Assoc Prof JWF Sliik

Universiti Brunei Darussalam

Presentation Summary:

The marked biogeographic difference between western (Malay Peninsula and Sumatra) and eastern (Borneo) Sundaland is surprising given the long time that these areas have formed a single landmass. Several possibilities could have lead to this pattern, with sea barriers being an obvious one. However, most of Sundaland has formed a single dry landmass during most of its history, making the sea barrier hypothesis unlikely as a sole explanation. A dispersal barrier in the form of a dry savanna corridor during glacial maxima has been proposed as an additional explanation to overcome this problem. However, conditions for a full fledged savanna corridor across Sundaland are also limited, and existed for relatively short time intervals. For most of its history Sundaland has formed a connected single landmass without sea-barriers and savanna conditions, so why didn't all these plant spread across the whole region evenly? Here I will suggest another possible explanation for the observed biogeographic patterns.

Biography:

Graduated as a Masters from Leiden University in 1994, having studied a variety of topics, from snail taxonomy in Greece, Southern Elephant Seal behavior in Argentina, and finally tropical forest ecology in Guyana. After my studies I fulfilled my 'Civil Service', instead of 'Military Service', studying Seagrasses and benthic worms at the Dutch Institute for Ecological Research in Yerseke, the Netherlands. Started PhD at Leiden University (1996) studying the taxonomy and ecology of two widely distributed and common plant genera *Macaranga* and *Mallotus* in East Kalimantan, Borneo (Indonesia). Had several postdoc positions at Leiden University studying effects of fire on tropical forests. In year 2008, he moved to China and started working at the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Xishuangbanna Tropical Botanical Garden, where amongst others he initiated a forest fragmentation study that originally included 50 plots in different sized forest fragments. In year 2013, he moved to the Universiti Brunei Darussalam, where he set up a 15-ha plot specifically aimed at monitoring large tree (dbh > 50 cm) dynamics. During the whole period described here he also worked together with many other biologists around the world building up a large data set of tree inventories across the tropics to study biomass, diversity and tree distribution patterns at the pan-tropical scale.

Tuesday, 3 July 2018, 11:30 – 12:30

KEYNOTE LECTURE 2

Protected Areas of Bhutan and Its New Financing Strategy



Sonam Wangdi

Chief Forestry Officer, Nature Conservation Division, Dept of Forests and Park Services, Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Royal Government of Bhutan, Thimphu

Presentation Summary:

Bhutan has long held a deep commitment to conservation. Its mountains, forests, and rivers nourish diverse species within as well as outside of its well-connected protected area system that covers 51.44% of its geographical area. The country's Gross National Happiness philosophy upholds environmental protection as fundamental to national wellbeing, and its constitution mandates that a minimum of 60 percent of the country remain under forest cover. More recently, the country made a bold commitment to remain carbon neutral forever. Within this shifting context, new possibilities emerge. For investors interested in long-term conservation impacts, Bhutan today presents an exceptional set of favourable conditions. A young and politically stable democracy, it is eager to enact systems that will benefit all life within its borders. To make this a reality, the Royal Government of Bhutan and the WWF are pursuing a project finance for permanence (PFP) model. Borrowing tactics from private finance, one of its trademarks is a single closing deal in which all partners come together to sign and agree to full funding. Known as Bhutan for Life, the initiative will provide Bhutan's government with a \$43 million transition fund until 2030 to build up and effectively manage a robust network of protected areas and wildlife corridors.

Biography:

Mr. Sonam Wangdi currently works as the Chief of Nature Conservation Division under the Department of Forests and Park Services of the Royal Government of Bhutan. As the Chief of this Division, he is responsible for technically advising the protected area system of Bhutan that includes, five National Parks, four Wildlife Sanctuaries, one Strict Nature Reserves and also the network of biological corridors, that interconnects these protected areas. He is currently spearheading the national taskforce for revision of the protected area system of Bhutan that will look into redesigning of Bhutan's 51% of area under protection to bring more relevance of these protected areas into the needs of present time. He is also a member of the Strategic Planning Committee and Technical Working Group of Bhutan for Life Initiative that intends to sustainably finance the conservation of Bhutan's natural heritage in this protected area system.

Wednesday, 4 July 2018, 11:30 – 12:30

KEYNOTE LECTURE 3

The Political Future of Haze and Peatlands in Southeast Asia



Dr Helena Varkkey

Senior Lecturer, Department of International and Strategic Studies, University of Malaya

Presentation Summary:

The Southeast Asian nations, especially Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore, have been suffering from almost annual episodes of haze pollution for decades now. Smoke from peatland forest fires, mostly in Indonesia, travel across boundaries, resulting in transboundary haze. Haze is not only a physical problem linked to fire, but also a complex political one. Many fires have been traced to land clearance activities of agribusiness concessionaries in Indonesia, who are not only local but often also Malaysian and Singaporean. Demand for land have encouraged the opening up of ecologically-important and fire-prone peatlands, which are largely protected by law but often licensed out to politically well-connected businesses. Efforts by the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) to encourage cooperation to mitigate haze have been unsuccessful due to national interests and weak institutions. Is the future of Southeast Asia destined to be hazy? This talk will focus on recent developments to consider if the combined physical and political complexities of this transboundary problem can ever be reconciled.

Biography:

Senior Lecturer at the Department of International and Strategic Studies, University of Malaya in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Growing up in Kuala Lumpur, many of my childhood memories are tinted with the dreary shroud of haze that descended over my hometown almost every year. My curiosity about the haze nurtured my interest in air pollution and sustainable development issues in my university years. I chose to focus on different socio-political elements of the Southeast Asian transboundary haze pollution for both my Masters and PhD dissertations. My first book, "The Haze Problem in Southeast Asia: Palm Oil and Patronage", was published in 2016 under Routledge and focused on the relations between Indonesia, Malaysia, and Singapore as a result of the haze. Following this, I have continued to conduct research in on the politics of haze, while expanding into related issues like the region's oil palm sector and peatland management and conservation.

Thursday, 5 July 2018, 11:30 – 12:30

KEYNOTE LECTURE 4

Of Supermarkets and Superhighways – The Wildlife Trade of Southeast



Kanitha Krishnasamy

Acting Regional Director, TRAFFIC

Presentation Summary:

From dusty market stalls piled high with exotic meat to the click-and-buy world of online wild pet shopping, Southeast Asia is a region that is both supermarket and superhighway for the illegal trade in an extensive list of wild plants and animals. Threatened and protected species are consumed locally or trafficked across international borders - at ease - with an acute link to Southeast Asia at the heart of this trade, as a source, consumer and transit region. TRAFFIC, the wildlife trade monitoring network, has been tracking this regional trade for the last 26 years. This session will provide some insights into ongoing and pressing issues, rising threats and the solutions at our disposal.

Biography:

Kanitha Krishnasamy possesses over 15 years of knowledge and expertise working in the conservation field. Currently the Acting Regional Director for TRAFFIC Southeast Asia's extensive programme in Southeast Asia, she leads the region's programme on tackling the trade in threatened species. Kanitha's wealth of knowledge on wildlife, trade and regional conservation policy informs not only the organisation's work but its advice to agencies on monitoring and tackling wildlife trafficking and law enforcement support. Prior to joining the TRAFFIC Southeast Asia team, Kanitha worked with the Malaysian Nature Society (MNS) for seven years, after which she served on its Board for two years. She holds a Bachelors Degree in International Tropical Forest Management, and is a current Board Member for FSC in Malaysia.

Thursday, 5 July 2018, 16:30 – 1830

PRESIDENT KEYNOTE ADDRESS

An Earth System View of Tropical Forests



Prof Yadvinder Malhi

Professor of Ecosystem Science, University of Oxford

Presentation Summary:

Tropical forests play an important role in the functioning of the Earth system. Attempts to understand some of these roles brings a novel combination of some of the traditional approaches with new toolkits associated with the Earth system sciences, toolkits such as satellite remote sensing, atmospheric observations and global biosphere-atmosphere models. Here I showcase how these various approaches can work together to provide understanding of the influence of tropical forests at a planetary scale. I focus on the specific case of the 2015/2016 El Niño, and try to answer the question: why do tropical forests pour out carbon dioxide during El Niño events, and what does this tell us about the future prospects for tropical forests and the global climate?

Biography:

Yadvinder Malhi is Professor of Ecosystem Science at Oxford University. His research interests focus on the interactions between tropical terrestrial ecosystems and the global climate, and how tropical ecosystems and their biodiversity and functioning can best be maintained in the context of global change. He founded the Global Ecosystems Monitoring (GEM) network of intensive monitoring plots across the tropics. This network also endeavours strongly to strengthen capacity and connect students and researchers across the tropics. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society, and in 2018 was awarded a Gold Medal of the Royal Geographical Society for his work (as was Alfred Russel Wallace in 1892!). In year 2018 he is President of the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation.

Monday, 2 July 2018, 17:00 – 18:30

PANEL DISCUSSION 1

Implicit Biases, Diversity, and Inclusion in Tropical Biology and Conservation

**Moderator:****Neha Sinha***Advocacy and Policy Officer, Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS)*

Neha Sinha works with the Bombay Natural History Society as Advocacy and Policy Officer, with a specialization in policy and important bird areas. She is also an environmental columnist and writer. She has taught environmental politics at the University of Delhi and received the Professional Legislative Fellowship sponsored by the US Department of State (2017), and the 'Wildlife Service' Award from Sanctuary Asia in year 2017.

**Speakers:****Dr Cecilia A. L. Dahlsjö***Environmental Change Institute, University of Oxford*

Dr Dahlsjö has a D.Phil in tropical ecology from the University of Oxford and currently holds a postdoctoral position in the Ecosystems lab at the same university. Her main interests include bottom-up approaches to ecosystem functioning with a particular focus on the role of decomposer organisms in both pristine and managed habitats around the world. Recently she has also dabbled in ethical analyses where she is exploring the boundaries of intrinsic value, using invertebrates as an example group, and the responsibilities that are associated with being the moral agent and a researcher. Dr Dahlsjö has a long-standing interest in gender issues and is running the survey on implicit bias as part of the ATBC registration form. Through the survey she hopes to identify and explore ethnic and gender-based biases in tropical science.

**Dr Sheema Abdul Aziz***Co-founder and President, Rimba*

Sheema is the Co-founder and President of Rimba, a Malaysian non-profit research group conducting conservation science. She is also Principal Investigator of the organization's Project Pteropus. A bat biologist and conservationist, she has a BA in Archaeology, an MSc in Conservation Biology, and a PhD in Ecology. She is also a steering committee member for the Southeast Asian Bat Conservation Research Unit (SEABCRU), specifically the Flying Fox Priority Group and Ecosystem Services Priority Theme. She has 15 years of experience in the conservation field, having previously worked under several conservation organizations (e.g. WWF-Malaysia, TRAFFIC Southeast Asia, Wild Asia) on issues related to protected area management, forestry, wildlife trade, biodiversity assessments, and local communities. Her research focuses on the conservation ecology of flying foxes (*Pteropus* spp., *Acerodon* spp.), which includes investigating bat ecosystem services, and situations of human-bat conflict. She is currently expanding her work on durian pollination ecology, conflict between fruit growers and bats, and hunting of flying foxes, with the goal of spearheading fruit bat conservation as a priority for Peninsular Malaysia.

**Dr Emilio M. Bruna***Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation & Center for Latin American Studies*

Bruna has a joint appointment with the University of Florida's Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation & Center for Latin American Studies. He received his BS and MS from the University of California-San Diego and a Ph.D. in Population Biology from the University of California-Davis; Prior to joining UF he was an NSF Minority Postdoctoral Fellow at Brazil's Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas da Amazônia. Bruna's research focuses on (1) the ecological consequences of deforestation and other human activities on tropical ecosystems, (2) Latin American Science and Science Policy, and (3) the role of international collaboration on the impact of scientists and their research.

Tuesday, 3 July 2018, 17:00 – 18:30
PANEL DISCUSSION 2
Financing Biodiversity Conservation in the Tropics

**Moderator:****Dr K. Nagulendran**

Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation Malaysia

After a short stint in the private sector, Nagu joined the Government of Malaysia in 1995 as a Diplomatic and Administrative officer till today. He has been primarily involved in the biodiversity and environment sector. He has been involved in policy formulation, governance and stakeholder engagement on issues related to environment especially focusing on biodiversity. He was instrumental in leading the drafting of the Biosafety Bill which was adopted by the Malaysian Parliament in 2007. He too facilitated the drafting of the Access to Biological Resources and Benefit Sharing Bill which was adopted by the Parliament in 2017. He too was involved in assisting the adoption of the Wildlife Conservation Act in 2010. Nagu a Chevening Scholar completed his Masters in Environmental Management in 2003.

He has been involved as a negotiator for the Government of Malaysia at various UN meetings/conference on the many facets of biodiversity issues which affects the planet and global citizens. His doctoral study was on Biodiversity Governance. After completing his doctorate in 2017, Nagu is currently the Undersecretary, Strategic Technology and S&T Application Division, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI), Malaysia.

**Speakers:****Dr Simon Hedges**

Asian Arks

Simon has almost 30 years of experience in wildlife conservation-related research and survey work, endangered species and protected area management, and wildlife policy formulation, including the writing and implementation of wildlife action plans. Most of his time since 1988 has been spent in Asia and, from 2007, Asia and Africa. Simon's experience encompasses work on elephants, rhinos, wild cattle, deer, wild pigs, primates, large cats, wild dogs, small carnivores, rodents, and birds. From 1998, he focused on elephants, particularly on the development of reliable monitoring methods, human–elephant conflict assessment and mitigation work, and, since 2004, the ivory trade and the resulting illegal killing of elephants. Simon worked for the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) for 18 years, working to conserve elephants and ultimately coordinating WCS's elephant conservation work. He left WCS at the end of January 2018 to establish a new NGO, Asian Arks, which will focus on protected area management in Asia. Simon was a member of the joint Technical Advisory Group (TAG) of the CITES Monitoring the Illegal Killing of Elephants program and the Elephant Trade Information System for many years. He chaired the IUCN/SSC Asian Wild Cattle Specialist Group (AWCSG) from 1995 to 2005, was the Co-Chair of the Asian Elephant Specialist Group (AsESG) from 2005 to 2015, and a member of the IUCN/SSC Species Conservation Planning Task Force. Simon is currently a member of the IUCN/SSC Human–Wildlife Conflict and Green List Task Forces and remains a member of both the AWCSG and AsESG. He has published in journals ranging from Molecular Ecology, Conservation Biology, and Journal of Animal Ecology to Tropical Biodiversity, Kukila, and Gajah. Simon has also contributed chapters to several peer-reviewed books and edited (and contributed to) the 2012 book, "Monitoring elephants and assessing threats: a manual for researchers, managers and conservationists".

**Hari Sankaran**

Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Limited (IL & FS)

Mr. Sankaran has been pivotal in developing the IL&FS business portfolio and award-winning PPP projects. After taking a Master's Degree in Economics from The London School of Economics and Political Science in the UK, Mr. Sankaran served as Project Finance Specialist with Industrial Credit & Investment Corporation of India (ICICI). He moved to IL&FS as Chief Economist in 1990 and later served as the Joint Managing Director and CEO, and then Vice Chairman and Managing Director of the Board. Mr Sankaran is the 2018 Chairman of CII National Committee on Infrastructure. CII is India's premier business association with significant numbers of members on a pan India basis.

**Pek Chuan Gan**

Programme Manager, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Gan Pek Chuan is the Programme Manager and Acting Head of Sustainable and Resilient Development at the United Nations Development Programme in Malaysia. She provides policy advisory and project development support to the Government of Malaysia and relevant partners, in the focal areas of sustainable development and mainstreaming of environmental issues into planning and development. Pek Chuan holds a Master's Degree in Environmental Management from National University of Malaysia (UKM) and a Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Environment from University Putra Malaysia.



PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

- 1) Boot Camp in Wildlife Study Design and Data Analysis**
Date : 19 – 30 June 2018
No. of days : 10 days (rest days on 22 and 26 June)
Lead trainers : Mike Meredith and Ngumbang Juat, assisted by experienced instructors
Venue : Sungai Kuching, Harbour View

- 2) Fundamentals of GIS for ecology and species distribution modeling**
Date : 24 – 28 June 2018
No. of days : 5 days
Lead trainer : Dr. Alice C. Hughes
Venue : Bukit Tebu 1&4, Harbour View

- 3) Technique for bat field ecology**
Date : 26 – 30 June 2018
No. of days : 5 days
Lead trainers : Dr. Tuanjit Sritongchuay and Dr. Joe Chun Chia Huang
Venue : Kubah National Park

- 4) Innovative education and communication for conservation**
Date : 27 – 30 June 2018
No. of days : 4 days
Lead trainer : Dr. Cedric Tan
Venue : Bukit Tebu 5&6, Harbour View

- 5) Bioacoustics**
Date : 30 June 2018
No. of day : 1 day
Lead trainer : Catharina Karlsson
Venue : Eiffel 1, Lobby Level, Pullman Kuching

- 6) You're never too young to do conservation: addressing challenges among upcoming ecologists and conservationists in the tropics**
Date : 30 June 2018
No. of day : 1 day
Lead trainer : Krizler C. Tanalgo
Venue : Olympia 1, Lobby Level, Pullman Kuching

- 7) Interactive grant writing workshop with National Geographic Society**
Date : 30 June – 1 July 2018
No. of days : 1 and half day
Trainers : National Geographic Society
Venue : Hilton Kuching

DURING THE CONFERENCE**8) Wildlife the toonie way - a workshop on wildlife cartoons**

Date : 1 July 2018
 No. of days : Half day
 Lead trainer : Rohan Chakravarthy
 Venue : Petra 2, Level 2, Pullman Kuching

POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**9) Lobbying for conservation**

Date : 6 July 2018
 No. of days : 1 day
 Lead trainer : Dr. Gopaldasamy Reuben Clements
 Venue : Taj Mahal, Level 2, Pullman Kuching

10) Social science survey methods for conservation research

Dates : 6 – 7 July 2018
 No. of days : 2 days
 Lead trainer : Dr. Azlina Amir Kassim
 Venue : Bukit Tebu 4&5, Harbour View

11) Conservation drones

Dates : 6 – 8 July 2018
 No. of days : 3 days
 Lead trainer : Molly Hennekam
 Venue : Indoor & Outdoor, UNIMAS

12) Analyses of animal movement data for ecology and conservation

Dates : 6 – 8 July 2018
 No. of days : 3 days
 Lead trainer : Dr. Navinder Singh
 Venue : Bukit Tebu 1, Harbour View

SCIENCE CAFÉ**SCIENCE CAFÉ 1****Cartoons in Conservation Communication***By Rohan Chakravarthy*

Monday, 2 July 2018, 19:00 – 21:00

Summary: Conservation and ecology are inevitably accompanied by jargon, which makes the science around conservation unpalatable to the layman. Humour and cartoons help break this jargon down and bridge the communication gap between science and the layman.

More about Rohan's work at www.greenhumour.com.

SCIENCE CAFÉ 2**Governance, The National Trust and Biodiversity Conservation in Malaysia**

Tuesday, 3 July 2018, 19:00 – 21:00

Panel discussion with:

Pek Chuan Gan, UNDP-Malaysia

Ivy Wong, Yayasan Hasanah, Malaysia

Dr Sivananthan Elagupillay

Moderator: Muthusamy Suppiah, UNDP-Malaysia

SCIENCE CAFÉ 3**New Discoveries and The Search for Lost Species in Borneo***By Chien C. Lee*

Wednesday, 4 July 2018, 19:00 – 21:00

Summary: From rainbow toads to spectacled flowerpeckers, recent years in Borneo have seen the discovery of many plants and animals, some of which have been “lost to science” for many decades. These findings provide a glimmer of hope amid the island's widespread forest loss and increasing number of threatened species. In this slideshow we will look at some of the most significant recent discoveries, the stories behind them, and their context in future conservation efforts in Borneo's rainforests.

More about Chien C. Lee's work at www.chienclee.com

*Please note that the venue of Science Cafe is at The Old Courthouse
(15 minutes walk from Conference Venue, Pullman Kuching)*

NATURE ART STATIONS

Date : 2 – 5 July 2018
 Opening hours : 1230 – 1400 hours (during lunch)
 Venue : Foyer, Level 2, Pullman Kuching

Ceramic mug painting

We will use simple techniques such as tracing with carbon copy, dotting on stickers, free hand drawing, stenciling and etc. to apply nature inspired images (or others) to plain white ceramic mugs. We will use special oil based sharpies and ceramic paint that can later be 'baked' in a regular home oven to become water and scratch proof.



MENTORING CIRCLES

Mentoring Circle - Mentors Briefing

Date : 1 July 2018
 Time : 1230 - 1345 hours
 Venue : Petra 1, Level 2, Pullman Kuching

Mentoring Circle - Mentor and Mentees Sessions

Date : 1 July 2018
 Time : 1400 - 1600 hours
 Venue : Petra 1, Level 2, Pullman Kuching

Mentoring Circle Lunch

Date : 4 July 2018
 Time : 1200 - 1345 hours
 Venue : Eiffel 1 & 2, Lobby Level, Pullman Kuching

The ATBC Mentoring Circle program for 2018-19 is designed to bring together groups of 8-10 mentees with two mentors with similar career interests to promote career development in tropical biology and conservation. Specifically, we aim to support early career tropical biologists (i.e. graduate students and post-docs) by providing a network of individuals that can offer advice, best practices, and tools to achieve success.

Mentors and mentees will be assigned to their circles and attend a 2-hour meeting on Sunday, July 1st before the opening ceremony of the ATBC 2018 annual meeting in Kuching, Malaysia. They will discuss each mentee's and mentor's objectives and desired outcomes. The mentoring circles will convene again at least once more in the course of the meeting during one pre-arranged lunch on Wednesday, July 4th. They will then meet virtually (e.g. via Skype or Zoom) once a month throughout the rest of the year to develop a strong and continuing relationship.

We request Mentors to meet at Petra 1, Level 2, Pullman Kuching for orientation before 1230 hours.

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3	Extinction-driven Changes in Frugivore Communities on Oceanic Islands	Julia H. Heinen
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6	Differential Pest Damage of Maize, Teff, and Horse Beans by Surrounding Afromontane Forest Cover in the Amhara Region of Ethiopia	Patrick Mckenzie
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20	Phenotypic variation of montane and coastal populations of the Puerto Rican monarch butterfly	Mariangeli Echevarria
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22	Pollination guilds of aroids (Araceae) at Mulu National Park	Shong Kian Chai
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1-DAY FIELD TRIPS

Sarawak Cultural Village (0830hrs – 1230hrs | Half-day)

Duration : Approx. 4 hours
Inclusive of : Entrance fee, English speaking guide, return transfers to and from city hotels
Fitness level : Easy (Cultural)
Cultural show time : 1130hrs
Minimum : 4 adults

Bako National Park (0845hrs – 1445hrs)

Duration : Approx. 6 hours (subject to change in accordance to tide)
Inclusive of : Park entrance fee, English speaking park guide, Boat transfers, Lunch, return transfers to and from city hotels
Fitness level : Moderate (2 hours trekking in dense rainforest and mangrove lined coast)
Requirements : Sun Block, Insect Repellent, Good pair of trekking shoes/ trainers.
Minimum : 4 adults

Frogging Tour at Kubah National park (1800hrs)

Duration : 3 hours
Inclusive of : English speaking guide, Entrance fee, return transfers to and from city hotels
Fitness level : Moderate (Requires good fitness level)
Requirements : Raincoat or poncho, Insect repellent, Torch light, Walking shoes
Minimum : 4 adults

Birding Tour at Kubah National Park (0600hrs)

Duration : 4 hours
Inclusive of : English speaking guide, Entrance fee, Return transfers to and from city hotels
Fitness level : Moderate (Requires good fitness level)
Requirements : Raincoat or poncho, Insect repellent, Trekking shoes, Binoculars, Camera
Minimum : 4 adults

OVERNIGHT STAY FIELD TRIPS

2 Days 1 Night Talang Talang Turtle Conservation Programme

Duration : 2 days 1 nights
Inclusive of : English speaking guide, return transfers, Full board meals as indicated, Boat fees, Entrance fee, Basic accommodation at Ranger Facilities
Fitness level : Easy
Requirements : Raincoat or poncho, Insect repellent, Rubber shoes
Note : Only a set of slots per year are provided by the Sarawak Forestry Corporation which runs from the months of May to September. Therefore, advanced booking is required to ensure availability. The sum of RM300 per person included in the package will go directly to the conservation fund.
Minimum : 4 adults

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OVERNIGHT STAY FIELD TRIPS

Sarawak Jungle Escapade (4 Days / 3 Nights) 0830hrs – 1430hrs (4th day)

Trekking deep into heart of Borneo

Duration : 4 days / 3 nights

Inclusive of : English speaking guide, Boat transfers, Meals (4L, 3D, 3B), Basic accommodation and tents, return transfers to and from city hotels

Fitness level : Extreme (Adventure & Cultural Visit – Requires high fitness level)

Requirements : Swim wear, Hat, Sun Block, Insect Repellant, Torch Light, Good Trekking Shoes

Note : Extended stays can be arranged to trek deeper into the jungle, with an ever-greater possibility of seeing rare wildlife. Minimum: 4 adults

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SARAWAK FOREST FIELD TRIP

Fig Garden – Matang Wildlife Centre (30 pax)

Time	Activity
8:30 am	Participants registration
9:00 am	Arrival of GOH
9:30 am	Safety Briefing by Park Manager <i>Project Briefing by Biologist, Project officer (Ms Connie Geri)</i>
10:00 am	Tree Planting and Tour to Animal Enclosure <i>- Planting of Ficus spp., food tree, timber</i>
11:30 am	Refreshment

Orang Utan – Semenggoh Wildlife Centre

Just 20 kilometres south of Kuching, the reserve has its own rare flora and fauna including the giant squirrel, pigmy squirrel and splendid variety of birds. In the morning, you can hear the howling of gibbons, which, like the orang utans, have been rehabilitated and released in the forest. Trekking trails make Semenggoh an ideal place for exercisers, wildlife photographers and nature lovers.

The best time to visit Semenggoh is during the morning and afternoon feeding sessions when there is a good chance of seeing semi-wild orang utan returning to the Centre for a free meal. Feeding takes place between 9.00-10.00am and between 3.00-3.30 pm.

WWF FIELD TRIP

Tea for Wildlife: A Community Project for Orangutans
6-8 July 2018

6 July 2018

Time	Activity
0800	Leave Kuching for Batang Ai
1200	Lunch
1500	Arrive at Batang Ai reservoir jetty, followed by boat ride
1700	Arrive at Rh. Manggat
1700 – 1900	Free and easy (<i>Mingle with local community, visit farms etc</i>)

7 July 2018

Time	Activity
0900 - 1200	Visit gaharu planting site for orangutan conservation (<i>on site activities will be carried out</i>)
1400 - 1800	Hiking in jungle trail (<i>with possibility of seeing orangutan nest</i>)

8 July 2018

Time	Activity
0900	Depart Rh. Manggat for Kuching
1500	Arrive back in Kuching (<i>drop-off at Kuching International Airport can be arranged</i>)



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