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Meeting on Scientific Publishing in Natural History Institutions

**Exchanging know-how, dissemination of and access to taxonomic journals
June 22-23, 2009 - Bratislava, Slovak Republic. Start meeting Monday 13:30,
meeting closes Tuesday 17:00.**

A workshop hosted by the Comenius University. Meeting venue: SUZA conference centre, Drotarska cesta 46, Bratislava.



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The 22nd and 23rd of June 2009, EDIT will hold a meeting on scientific publishing in natural history institutions. This workshop aims to provide a platform for publishing staff and decision-makers to exchange their knowledge and improve their know-how in order to face the strategic, editorial and technical challenges in the dissemination of taxonomic information. Experts and service providers from the EDIT network and elsewhere will talk about:

- Aspects of scientific publishing in natural history institutions • Opportunities and challenges of electronic publishing (a.o. library exchange; digital achieving and nomenclature)
- Intellectual Property Rights and scientific publications (incl. Open Access)
- Opportunities for joint publishing

The following outside speakers have confirmed their participation:

- Biodiversity Heritage Library Europe - Henning Scholz
- BioOne - Steve Smith
- Open-access.net platform - Karin Ilg-Hartbecke
- Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association (OASPA) - Caroline Sutton
- Ingenta - Natasha Oostergetel
- uBio - David Remsen - Intellectual Property Rights in scholarly publishing
- Willi Egloff

- CrossRef- Ed Pentz

Envisioned audiences: publishing staff from EDIT member institutions with technical and/ strategic publishing expertise and responsibilities, as well as any other members from EDIT institutions interested in the subject. Travel funds are available (max. 2 representatives per institution). Context: Among the EDIT institutions over more than 100 scientific titles are published. Within these are at least 67 research journals, most of them covering taxonomy and systematics. In this digital era the field of scientific publishing is rapidly changing. Publishing departments in natural history institutions have to respond quickly to new opportunities and new strategic questions about visibility, access, format and financial structure of their titles. This was the main reason for the publishing department of the Muséum national d'Histoire naturelle (MNHN) and EDIT to sponsor and co-organise this meeting. In Bratislava publishing representatives from EDIT member institutions, responsible for the technical and strategic publishing activities in their institutions, will be offered the opportunity to discuss how they can collectively improve access and dissemination of their titles.

The meeting is organised under EDIT WP3. Registration is closed :

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