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EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF PARASITOLOGISTS - EFP -

Paris, the 22nd of February 2016

To all European Societies of Parasitologists To all European scientists & students in Parasitology

All European Parasitologists are invited to attend the next European Multicolloquium of Parasitology which will be held in Turku, Finland, 20-24 July 2016.

Turku is a nice city on the southwest coast of Finland and was founded at the end of the 13th century, making it the oldest city in Finland. Turku was designated the European Capital of Culture for 2011 and is surrounded by a beautiful archipelago, one of the largest of the world...

EMOP will be organized in the downtown campus of Turku University where there is a long tradition of studying Parasites as a Parasitological Institute was founded there in 1963 with the main goal of eradicating *Diphyllobothrium latum* from Finland. Nowadays parasitological studies are focused on the biology and systematics of ascarid nematodes and on the myxozoan parasites from farmed and wild whitefish.

Our Finnish colleagues have prepared a high level program with the usual topics but with some original issues such as Arctic Parasitology, risks of eating bugs, bee parasitology, geospatial health, paleoparasitology...

One of the aims of the EFP is to attract students to these European Multicolloquia to allow them to present their work, meet colleagues and constitute a network... The EFP will offer **30 grants to students** on a "first come, first served basis".

The EFP also organize a competition between young scientists (less than 35 years) to offer them **5 Young Scientists Awards.** The **YSA** recipients will receive a 400 euros prize, refunding of registration fees, diploma and medal).

All details for the grants and the Young Scientist Award competition are given on the EMOP web pages: <u>http://congress.utu.fi/emop2016/index.php</u> Of note, citizens of countries which have not paid the EFP fee payments cannot receive any YSA and/or grants!

Registration is now open, and all the EFP board is eager to see you in Turku !

Best regards

Pr Jean Dupouy-Camet President of the European Federation of Parasitologists

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