



Symposia Call for proposals 2013/2014

The Zoological Society of London, Regent's Park, London NW1 4RY

ZSL is now calling for proposals for Symposia to be held in 2013/2014

Information for ZSL Symposia Proposers

An essential part of ZSL's work is to facilitate communication of information between professional zoologists, researchers, students and the general public. Towards this end the Society holds two international symposia a year. Symposia provide an opportunity for a major overview of an important area of science bearing on the general issue of the conservation of animal species and their habitats.

The two-day symposia are held at the Society's Meeting Rooms in Regent's Park, London. All symposia are international and usually have 150-200 participants. Symposia are selected by a ZSL panel from submitted proposals, according to their scientific merit, topicality and potential for an interesting conference that will attract a broad audience. Once accepted, organisers are invited to develop the overall objectives of the meeting and invite up to 24 speakers. Symposia are sponsored by ZSL, usually with some other scientific or conservation organisations. Co-sponsors are usually identified and approached by the symposium organisers. All logistical arrangements are managed by the ZSL's Scientific Events Co-ordinator.

Organisers have the option of using the symposium as the basis for an edited book on the topic to be published in the ZSL/Blackwell Publishing Series of *Conservation Science and Practice*. Book proposals are submitted separately and are reviewed independently of Symposium proposals.

ZSL Symposium Proposals

Points to address in all Symposium proposals:

1. Name, institutional affiliation/contact address, telephone number and email address of the person submitting the proposal.
2. A draft title for the symposium. (*no more than 60 characters*)
3. An outline of the subject of the proposed symposium and background to the science. (*maximum 200 words*)
4. An outline of the proposed structure and content of the symposium. This should include a plan for the subject and order of spoken sessions, and handling of cross-cutting themes. (*maximum 750 words*)
5. The proposed organisers and their institutional affiliations/contact details.
6. A list of potential speakers, their institutes and research areas.
7. Suggest some potential co-sponsors for the meeting, how they would be involved in the organisation and running of the meeting, and detail any preliminary discussions or commitments.
8. Detail other meetings on this topic held during the last two years, or planned for the future.
9. Indicate if you intend to submit a proposal for a related book to be published in the Blackwell's/ZSL *Conservation Science and Practice* book Series.
10. Preferred month and year in which to hold the symposium (2013/2014).

Please email your proposal to: linda.davolls@zsl.org

Deadline for symposia proposals 15 November 2011

Symposia proposals will be reviewed by the ZSL Symposium Advisory Panel, which is made up of leading scientists from a variety of scientific backgrounds. The Symposium Advisory Panel's final decision will be available in January 2012.

Queries & Enquiries

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