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A message from the SIL General Secretary-Treasurer and President

1 January 2015

Dear Members of SIL,

Another year has gone by!!

We at the SIL executive board continue to work towards our main goal of recruiting a young generation of SIL members. Apparently, the USD 5/year membership fee for students is making a big difference, since its inception several tens of students have already joined SIL. We hope that our announcement of the student competition (see below) will lead to a further substantial recruitment of students and early-career members.

Additional activities were made with the intention to attract the younger generation. First, we have recently opened a facebook page for SIL. https://www.facebook.com/pages/SIL-The-International-Society-of-Limnology/324986017706390. The page is managed voluntarily by Maciej Bartosiewicz, a PhD student at INRS- Centre Eau, Terre et Environnement, University of Quebec, Canada. Go check it out and put a few likes and add comments! If you have material that you would like uploaded there – please send it to me. Furthermore, a new website for SIL is currently being re-designed, one that is more colorful, appealing and simple to navigate through compared with the current one. A website that will allow you to pay your annual dues on-line comfortably and safely, and give you a quick link to our journal, Inland Waters, as well as SIL's other publications – SILnews and the annual circulars.

With best wishes for the New Year and yours sincerely, Tamar Zohary and Yves Prairie

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The page presents SIL-related announcements and short articles, photos of lakes from around the world, movies and more. You are welcome to send our page editor your own material for posting The page editor, Maciej Bartosiewicz, a PhD student from the Univ of Quebec, Canada, can be contacted at Maciej.Bartosiewicz@ete.inrs.ca



An Announcement from our General Secretary-Treasurer:



The competition: best published paper in Limnology appearing as part of a recent Ph.D. or M.Sc. thesis of a SIL member.

The prize: Plenary talk at the 2016 SIL Congress in Torino, Italy with gratis participation.

We hereby announce an international competition, open to all students and early-career members of the SIL, the International Society of Limnology. In this competition, the best paper in Limnology coming out of a Ph.D. or M.Sc. study of a SIL member published recently will be chosen. The competition winner will present his/her study as a plenary lecture at the upcoming SIL Congress in Torino, Italy.

There will be two stages to organizing this competition:

Stage 1 – **National**: each country will choose its best paper that will enter the international competition. This stage will be organized by the national representative(s). Each country can submit only one paper, except countries with > 50 SIL members that can submit two papers for the competition. A committee will be set up in each country to rank the papers according to the scoring system detailed below and choose the paper(s) for Stage 2.

Stage 2 – **International**: An international jury of 7 members from 7 countries will review the papers from the different countries and choose the winner, based on a scoring system detailed below.

Conditions for participating in Stage 1 of the competition:

- The candidate must be a SIL member
- The candidate must be the first author of the submitted article
- The candidate must be a student, or an early career professional who has finished his/her M.Sc. or Ph.D. in 2012 or later.
- The article must be in the field of limnology (aquatic sciences)
- The article must be written in English
- The article must have been published or fully accepted for publication in 2013, 2014 or 2015
- A nomination letter highlighting the strengths of the article and explaining why it warrants being considered for this competition must be attached.

Materials to submit:

- The filled application form downloadable from: http://www.limnology.org/studentcompetition.shtml
- Reprint of the paper or alternatively the accepted manuscript with all tables and figures in one single PDF file accompanied by the letter of acceptance from the journal.
- Scanned copy of the degree certificate or alternatively certificate of recent student status (either Ph.D. or M.Sc.) from the relevant university. This university should be the affiliation of the paper's first author.
- A nomination letter highlighting the strengths of the article and explaining why it warrants being considered for this competition. This letter should be written by the head of the higher-degree school, or by a senior colleague who is not your direct supervisor.

Competing candidates should submit the above to their SIL national representative. Competing candidates from countries with no national representative should submit their documents to Prof. Judit Padisák, the overall competition coordinator.

Dates and Deadlines:

- **30 September 2015** deadline for articles and accompanying documents to the National Representative (NR) or to Judit Padisák in countries with no NR
- **15 December 2015** deadline for submission of the winner article from each country to the SIL student prize competition coordinator, Judit Padisák.
- **15 March 2016** The competition winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd places) will be announced.
- August 2016 Awards will be given to the competition winners at a special session, dedicated to this student contest, at the SIL Congress in Torino.

<u>Criteria for evaluating the publications</u> during the national screening and again at the international stage will be:

- Scientific/technical quality (score 0-20)
- Methodological approach (0-20)
- Relevance and potential scientific impact of work carried out (0-20)

Contact details:

Prof. Judit Padisák, Coordinator for the student competition padisak@almos.uni-pannon.hu

Awards

The awards will consist of one main and two additional prizes, plus merit certificates to all those participating in Stage 2 of the competition:

- The main prize will consist of a certificate and a SIL grant to attend the August 2016 SIL Congress in Torino, including registration fee and travel costs.
- During this meeting, the winning author will be required to give a dedicated Plenary Lecture (30 min) on his/her winning article.

- The winners of the second and third prizes will receive certificates and grant money to cover their registration fee to attend the SIL Congress. They will be required to present their papers as regular presentations
- All participants of Stage 2 will receive a certificate and be invited to present their papers (oral or posters) in the special session.



www.limnology.org

Information is available there on awards, committees, jobs, membership, national representatives, publications, statutes and working groups as well as links to other sites. Visit often, as information is updated regularly by our SIL webmaster, Gordon Goldsborough, University of Manitoba, Canada

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There are now various ways to pay your SIL dues. You can pay by:

- 1) Direct payment on the SIL website (<u>www.limnology.org</u>) using a credit card (**Mastercard or Visa**) through your secure PayPal account
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- 5) Through your National Representative. Their names are given in the table that shows what the annual subscriptions are each year

* Note that the least expensive way for transferring money across borders is via PayPal. Your next cheapest option is a wire transfer through a Western Union branch

Members who paid their dues will receive a username and password, which will give them free access to *Inland Waters*. Members who send their dues payments to a national representative will receive their password after acknowledgement of the dues payment has been sent to the SIL office by the national representative. Please make sure your national representative lets the SIL office know that you have paid your dues.



Did you know that you can pay SIL dues from your grants, or your continuing education funds? Did you know that being a part of a professional organization/society like SIL looks good on your CV? Did you know that SIL has mentors who volunteer to advice students and junior scientists in their limnology work? See details at http://www.limnology.org/mentors.shtml

33RD SIL CONGRESS



"Science for sustainable freshwater use"

The Italian limnologists, aware of the importance of scientific research on inland waters, greatly appreciate the opportunity to host the 33rd SIL Congress, and welcome in Torino the colleagues from all around the world.

The Congress will be addressed to highlight what water science can do to allow us regain possession of the vital resource made up by freshwater ecosystems. The congress title "Science for sustainable freshwater use" expresses this idea. The basis for this choice is the awareness that our planet is under pressure due to increased demand for freshwater. The availability and suitability of water resources are threatened by human influences, directly, through globally unbalancing the slow and fast water cycles and impairing water quality, and indirectly through the adverse effects of climate change. Many freshwater ecosystems are deteriorating in quantity and quality. As a result, an increasing number of people are chronically short of water. In this context, limnology must represent the answer to the planetary water crisis as we need more science and more scientists to urgently face a sustainable and effective freshwater recovery. This need can be satisfied only by improving our knowledge in Limnological Sciences and by increasing people's awareness to what science can do for a more sustainable use of freshwater ecosystems.

Thus, as water scientists we have two missions: 1) to improve our knowledge of freshwater ecosystem functioning and 2) to make our knowledge a tool handy for environmental managers and friendly for people. We are confident that this Congress will help us as to accomplish these missions as scientists and as human beings.

We have made every effort to keep the cost of the conference as low as possible, which is particularly difficult with the current economic crisis. We will also do our best to make this conference a "young" conference. The SIL board helped a lot in this, by promoting a "Student international competition" awarded with a plenary lecture (see the announcement in this issue of SIL news).

We made a tentative list of thematic sessions but we will also open a call for special sessions to be proposed and handled by delegates. Hopefully this will make the 33rd SIL Congress an active conference where everyone can find suitable space for their scientific interests. The proposed thematic sessions are:

- 1. Freshwater scarcity: a natural or a human-made phenomenon?
- 2. The freshwater micro eukaryotic world: role and relevance for the ecosystem
- 3. The borderline word on inland waters: wetlands and estuaries
- 4. Aquaculture in fresh waters: resource or problem for the ecosystem?
- 5. The impact of global change on inland waters
- 6. Atmospheric deposition effects in aquatic ecosystems

- 7. The time line of lake ecosystem evolution: the role of long-term ecological research
- 8. Lakes in the extreme and remote environments
- 9. Biogeochemistry and ecology of inland waters
- 10. Organic matter dynamics and microbial diversity in freshwater environments
- 11. Drivers and triggers of cyanobacterial blooms
- 12. The molecular tools in freshwater ecology
- 13. Remote Sensing of lakes: state of art and future perspectives
- 14. Synthetic organic compounds effects on trophic chains
- 15. Experimental limnology: from microcosms to in-lake interactions
- 16. Forecasting models for the management of lakes
- 17. Groundwater and dependent ecosystems
- 18. From springs to lakes
- 19. Physical limnology
- 20. Microbial Biodiversity, Bioinformatics, and Biotechnology in freshwaters
- 21. Underwater light climate: implications for ecosystem processes
- 22. Phytoplankton and zooplankton spatial and temporal heterogeneity
- 23. How the lake physics drives the lake biota
- 24. Freshwater science education: expanding science literacy
- 25. The dissolved organic matter (DOM) in inland waters: sources and fate

The website of the congress is already online at www.sil2016.it

There you will find updated information on the National Scientific and Organizing Committee, the International Scientific Committee, and the SIL Congress Committee, coming to operation since this Congress. You will also find details on the congress fees and deadlines, as well as information on the venue and on the hosting town. The registration and accommodations sections will be implemented soon, as the suggestions for pre post congress excursions. So please regularly check the 33rd SIL website for updates.

Arrivederci a Torino!

Roberto Bertoni, chair, CNR Institute of Ecosystem Study, Verbania Luigi Naselli-Flores, co-chair, University of Palermo Cristiana Callieri, co-chair, CNR Institute of Ecosystem Study, Verbania



It was decided that, as an experiment during the period 2016-2022, Congresses would be held on a biennial basis (2016, 2018, 2020, and 2022). The first in this series will be the 34th SIL Congress, to be held in China in 2018, two years after the Torino Congress, with Zhengwen Liu as its main organizer.

FUTURE CONGRESS PROPOSALS:

Do you want to host a SIL Congress in your country? SIL members who have recommendations or want to make inquiries leading potentially to a proposal for sponsorship of a congress are urged to contact the SIL General Secretary-Treasurer. The 35th Congress (2020) is open for bids. Additionally, if you are organizing a regional or thematic meeting in the intervening years, please consider making SIL a sponsor of your meeting by contacting Yves Prairie or Tamar Zohary.



INLAND WATERS:

Publication in the Journal of the International Society of Limnology is not restricted to SIL members, but SIL members benefit from discounted publication prices if the article exceeds the first free printed pages, or if openaccess immediately is opted for, and from greater efforts to have manuscripts improved and published rather than rejected. Furthermore, SIL members in good standing are entitled to free online access as part of their membership. Inland Waters publishes papers online consecutively, and in four print issues per year. To view the journal or submit a manuscript, visit the journal website: http://www.fba.org.uk/journals/index.php/IW/index.

SIL news:

The SIL newsletter updates you on conferences and courses that have taken place and awards given, as well as those schedules to occur in the near future. It usually features several exciting articles on lakes around the globe, often with exceptional photos. Send your lighter but still fascinating material to Ramesh Gulati, our SIL news editor.



As always, if you change your email address, please let Denise Johnson know. This is very important as we increase our use of electronic communication. People tend to change their e-mail address more often than their mailing address! If you don't update your e-mail address, you won't have access to the journal because we won't be able to send you a password.

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Some members have generously contributed sufficient funds to sponsor a researcher or student of limnology from countries from which it is difficult to pay our modest membership fee. Please contact the General Secretary-Treasurer for details if you are interested in contributing.

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Mentors are willing to offer advice to students and junior scientists seeking to publish their research findings, in some of the following ways:

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- Advice on a target journal
- Help in preparing a paper together in a constructive and professional atmosphere
- Provide follow-up after the review process
- Advice on career planning

This is a way of helping young people, especially in the developing world, who will really appreciate your advice and wisdom. See more at <u>http://www.limnology.org/mentors.shtml</u>. If you are willing to join this cause, please send your research interests to Denise Johnson at: <u>denisej@email.unc.edu</u>

Currently SIL has 12 mentors helping students, postdocs and peers. Thank you to all SIL Mentors who are happy to advice and share.



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