



1st Palaeontological Virtual Congress

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A NEW WAY TO MAKE SCIENCE

PRESENTATION

Dear friends and colleagues,

The emergence of new applications and technologies opens a wide range of possibilities regarding new forms of communication in the scientific world. Aware of this we are glad to present the **1st Palaeontological Virtual Congress** with the purpose of spreading worldwide the most recent scientific advances in palaeontology in a fast, easy and economical way.

This congress is pioneer in palaeontology, being exclusively developed in a virtual environment. Oral communications and posters about any palaeontological field will be presented through an online platform created ad hoc.

The simplicity of this new format allows for low-cost registration fees and saving travel and maintenance expenses. Consequently, this initiative aims to give international projection to the paleontological research carried out by groups with limited economic resources and promoting the participation of palaeontologists from developing countries.

On the other hand, the 1st Palaeontological Virtual Congress combines the benefits of traditional meetings (i.e., providing a forum for discussion, including guest lectures or the production of an abstract book among other things) with the advantages of the online platforms, which allow reaching a higher number of researchers along the world.

Hope to see you in the Net!

The organising Committee.



IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

**THE PALAEOONTOLOGICAL VIRTUAL CONGRESS WILL TAKE PLACE:
BETWEEN DECEMBER 1st - 15th 2018.**

- Dead line for workshops proposals: 20th July
- Dead line for abstract submission: 20th September
- Dead line regular registration: 16th November



REGISTRATION

Registration will be available soon via or website:

<http://palaeovc.uv.es/index.php/registration/>

The completed and signed registration form and a copy of the bank transfer must be sent to palaeovc@uv.es, with the concept:

registration_name_surname_palaeovc

You can register as author (which will grant you access to present two communications as main author) or you can register as attendant (which will grant you access to the presentations, posters and videos). We recommend, at least, the registration of the person who will defend the communication.

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5 € each participant

The payment for 1st Palaeontological Virtual Congress can be done via bank transfer, using the following data:

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Please, it is very important that you send to the organizing committee the copy of the bank transfer.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

Instructions for authors

Communications and posters about any palaeontological topic will be presented through an online platform: www.palaeovc.uv.es.

Consequently, any place with good WiFi signal is enough to participate.

As in a regular congress, the participants that want to present a communication must send an abstract in advance.



GUIDELINES FOR THE ABSTRACTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Researchers are invited to provide a short abstract from now until 20th September 2018. Abstract body is limited to 250 words. No references, images, or tables should be included in the abstract.

The abstract must be uploaded as DOC or DOCX file to palaeovc@uv.es, specifying: **PALAEOVC 2018 abstract First Author's surname**

You can find more details and download the template for the abstract in:

<http://palaeovc.uv.es/index.php/downloads/template-for-abstracts/>

The authors will have three possibilities of presentation of their works:

Presentation Slides / Presentation of Posters/Video Presentations.

Slides, posters and videos will be displayed directly in the website along the entire congress.

Participants will be able to ask questions and make comments about them in different discussion chats.

The platform used for Presentation Slides, Posters y Videos will be Slideshare

SLIDESHARE: How it works?

Any participant that would like to present a communication must have an account in Slideshare/LinkedIn.

Next, he/she must upload the Presentation Slides/Poster/Video to his/her profile.

- The maximum number of slides in the presentation is 30.
- Posters should be submitted in PDF format.
- Videos must be in mp4 format. Soon, we will tell you how to do it.

Once the presentation slides/poster/video is uploaded, the autor have to send the URL/link or code of the communication to the organization committee or the workshop manager in which the communication will be presented.

The organization will upload it to the congress web, so it can only be access by people registered in the congress.

You can find more information in the congress web about:

How to create a slideshare account

How to upload a PowerPoint presentation to Slideshare



WORKSHOPS

The 1st Palaeontological Virtual Congress will be organized in a number of general theme sessions trying to span the whole variety of potential contributions. However, palaeontology is a wide discipline which encompasses a huge variety of topics. Aware of this and taking advantage of the flexibility that virtual platforms offer, workshop proposals on emerging topics, innovative techniques or any other matter that you consider of interest are welcome to be addressed in depth during the celebration of the congress. The purpose of such workshops is to provide a comprehensive forum for the exchange of ideas and discuss the issue within specialists in the target field.

If you are interested in proposing a specific workshop, please send us a brief description (no more than 300 words) with the main goals and any relevant information that you consider. Please, indicate in the proposal the full name of the organizers and their respective affiliations.

Proposals should be submitted by email to palaeovc@uv.es before July 20th. Notification of acceptance will be sent to the organizers by July 25th, 2018. If your workshop is accepted, the proposed organizers will be in charge of moderate the sessions (discussion chats) and look for contributions (ideally a single workshop will require the participation of at least 10 contributions).

ABOUT THE LOGO

The 1st Palaeontological Virtual Congress logo, made by Hugo Salais (biologist and palaeoillustrator), represents the euarthropod *Anomalocaris* (Cambrian period) surrounded by a globe with the approximate geography of the time. Because this is a general palaeontological themed congress, we had chosen this animal because it represents the essence of the enigma that surrounds the past life: its singularity. In this sense, *Anomalocaris* is the perfect choice, an almost alien-like organism that lived on a distant past and was the result of one of the major biological diversity explosions on Earth.

We hope you like it.



WHO IS BEHIND THIS CONGRESS?



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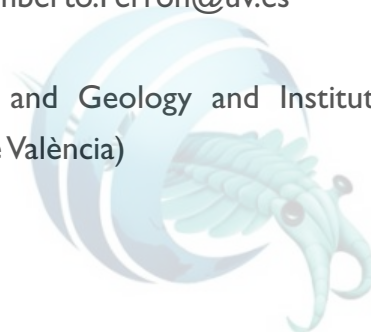
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