



First Circular:

XVI Iberian Congress of Herpetology and XX Spanish Congress of Herpetology

The Portuguese Association of Herpetology (APH) and the Spanish Association of Herpetology (AHE) have the pleasure to invite you for the XVI Iberian Congress of Herpetology and the XX Spanish Congress of Herpetology, under the thematic of 'Herpetology: a changing science', which will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, from 9 to 12 of September 2020.

The congress will be held at Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa (FCUL), around Campo Grande area, with easy access to public transportation, allowing a good connection to Lisbon city center. 2020 marks the 30 years since the last Iberian Congress organized in the Portuguese capital.

The theme of the congress intends to create a bridge for discussion on how the herpetology has been changing in light of the new ways to perform science. We will put at discussion thematic such as urban herpetology, citizen science and modern naturalism, as well as ecology in anthropogenic ecosystems and the adaptation of herpetos to changes promoted by mankind, global homogenization of biodiversity and ecology and adaptation within post-extinction scenarios

The Congress will include plenary tasks and scientific sessions composed by oral and poster presentations. Additionally, we will organize workshops and a field trip with destination yet to be defined.

As usual, during the congress both associations (APH and AHE) will have their general and extraordinary assemblies.

The official languages of the presentations are portuguese, spanish and english. It is up to the author to decide which one suits him the most.

You can find more information on the Facebook page of Associação Portuguesa de Herpetologia (<https://www.facebook.com/herpetos/>).

The congress' website will be available soon and it will be announced on social media and on each association's website. In the website you will be able to follow all the news regarding the congress, as well as to submit your abstract and register in the meeting. In case you want some more information, you can contact the organization through the email: lusoesholherpeto20@gmail.com

Important Dates:

- *Workshop proposals:* until april 30
- *Abstracts submission:* until may 15
- *Communication of acceptance:* until july 1
- *Early-bird inscription:* until may 15, with payment until july 15

Your attendance is key to the success of the event, so we really want you to send us your contribution and that you make part of this congress.

See you in Lisbon!

The Organizing Committee

