



XXI Italian Ornithological Congress VARESE, 5 – 9 September 2023

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The **Centro Italiano Studi Ornitologici (CISO)**, the **University of Insubria** and the **Gruppo Insubrico di Ornitologia OdV (GIO)** are organising the **XXI Italian Ornithological Conference**. The conference will bring together ornithologists and natural science enthusiasts at the **Varese university campus**, four years after the last congress held in Naples, after the stop in 2021 imposed by the restrictions due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The programme will be divided into sessions, symposia and round tables. Registration of participants will take place from the afternoon of Tuesday 5 September, during the opening of the Congress with the Dean and the authorities, which will be followed by a welcoming event open to congress participants and citizens. Four days of congress sessions will follow, from Wednesday 6 to Saturday 9. The CISO members' assembly will be held on Thursday 7, while excursions to the pre-alpine landscapes and Insubrian lakes will take place on Friday 8. The conference will conclude with the final sessions on Saturday 9 September.

All conference sessions, including the poster session, will take place in Varese at the "Monte Generoso" building ([Via Monte Generoso 71](#)) which is connected by public transport to the railway stations (city bus, Lines "C" and "E") and has wide availability of parking.

For the first time, the congress will be officially bilingual (Italian and English). In fact, all communications (oral or poster) will have to include a bilingual mode (e.g. speech in Italian/slides in English or vice versa; poster in Italian with English abstract, or vice versa), in order to facilitate participation also from neighbouring countries.

Four invited speakers will introduce each of the conference days:

- **Arnaud Barras** (University of Bern and Schweizerische Vogelwarte, CH), on the topic "The ecology of Alpine Ring Ouzels and its implications in changing mountain ecosystems";
- **Dan Chamberlain** (University of Turin, Italy), on the topic "Current and future perspectives of urban bird research";
- **Barbara Helm** (Schweizerische Vogelwarte, CH), on the topic "Migration programmes facing rapid environmental change";
- **Karin Princé** (expert for European Commission - Joint Research Centre), on the topic "Farmland bird conservation".

For further information, please email info@cio2023varese.it





WEBSITE

<https://www.cio2023varese.it/en/home/>

The conference website is constantly being updated and you are therefore invited to visit it frequently for the latest updates. On the website you will find the form for submitting contributions and the form to register.

SUBMISSIONS OF CONTRIBUTIONS

The deadline to submit the proposals of contributions (oral communication or poster) is 31 March 2023. The proposal requires the submission of an English abstract (optional in Italian), with name, affiliation and email of the corresponding author. Please follow the instructions on the website.

<https://www.cio2023varese.it/en/submit-proposal/>

Author registration

The final acceptance of each contribution (oral communication or poster) is subject to the payment of the registration fee by the speaker or at least one of the poster's authors.

Acceptance of contributions

Oral communications and posters will be evaluated and selected by the scientific committee, and acceptance/rejection will be notified by e-mail to the corresponding author.

TOPICS

The topics of the conference sessions proposed by the scientific committee are as follows:

- *alpine birds*
- *climate change*
- *urbanisation/anthropisation*
- *migration*
- *birds and agricultural areas*
- *restoration ecology and conservation interventions*
- *ornithological atlases*
- *zoonoses*

This list is not exhaustive. The final choice of session topics will depend on the contents of the contributions received.



OVERALL PROGRAM

	Tue 5/09	Wed 6/09	Thu 7/09	Fri 8/09	Sat 9/09
Morning		Scientific sessions	Scientific sessions	Scientific sessions	Scientific sessions
Afternoon	Registration, opening event	Scientific sessions	Scientific sessions	Field trips	Scientific sessions + closure event
Evening		"Birds movies" in	"Fledglings" event	Social dinner	

N.B.: the following programme is still a work in progress. In particular, the evening events may be subject to date changes.

HOW TO ENROL

To register, please fill the online form.

<https://www.cio2023varese.it/en/registration/>

For organisational reasons, the deadline for registration through the online form is 31 July, after which date it will only be possible to register at the conference.

PAYMENT METHODS

Registration will be confirmed after payment of the conference fee through Stripe (for not Italian residents). Upon submission of the registration form, you will be directed to the payment page with all the details

category	before 31/05/2023	from 1/06/2023
Ordinary fee	150.00 €	200.00€
CISO/GIO member	120.00 €	170.00 €
students	80.00 €	130.00 €

Registration for individual conference days (€ 80 per day) will be open from June.

The registration fee includes

- Access to all sessions, symposia, round tables and extra-congress activities
- Welcome kit
- Coffee breaks





The fee does NOT include

- Accommodation, lunches and dinners
- Gala dinner
- Field trips
- Poster printing

From June onwards, registered participants will be contacted for further information (field trip and social dinner registration, food intolerances, any disabilities, etc.).

ACCOMODATION

Any further information will be provided through the website and the following newsletters. In case of specific requests regarding the organisational aspects of the conference, please contact

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