

Fifth International Swan Symposium: Easton, Maryland 3 – 6 February 2014
Call for Papers

Following the first announcement of the 5th International Swan Symposium of the IUCN-SSC/Wetlands International Swan Specialist Group, being held in conjunction with the 23rd Conference of the Trumpeter Swan Society, we are delighted to call for abstracts from those interested in presenting talks and/or posters at the meeting.

Abstracts both for oral and for poster presentations should be of up to 500 words (max) and should be submitted to Eileen Rees, Scientific Coordinator for the symposium, by email (at Eileen.Rees@wwt.org.uk). The abstract should include the names of co-authors, their email addresses, the postal address of the correspondence author, and details of student status (if applicable). For oral presentations, it is assumed that the correspondence author would be giving the talk, but this can be finalized in the weeks prior to the meeting.

Presentations can be on any aspect of swan research, and sessions will be grouped in accordance with the abstracts received, but we particularly encourage contributions on the following topics:

- Migration strategies
- Adaptation to changing environmental conditions
- Threats faced by swan populations
- Long-term population trends and distribution
- Policy and management of swan populations

The deadline for submission of abstracts is **21st July 2013**.

They will then be assessed by the Scientific Committee of the symposium, for approval for presentation at the meeting.

Authors will be informed whether their presentations have been accepted by **15th September 2013**. The duration of talks and guidelines for preparation of posters will be provided at that time.

If you have any queries regarding the Call for Papers, please contact Eileen Rees. Plans are being developed to publish a symposium proceedings; further information will be provided in due course.

Meanwhile, we look forward to receiving the Abstracts in the coming months.

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The Scientific Committee for the 5th ISS