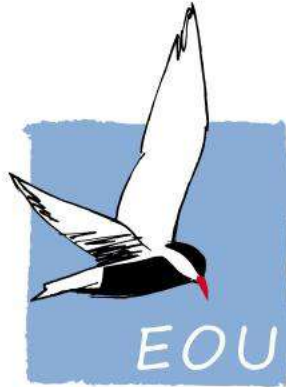


EUROPEAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION



Call for Symposia proposals, round tables, and pre- and post-congress meetings

15th EOU Conference
Bangor, United Kingdom
18-22 August 2025

Deadline for submitting symposium proposals: 15 October 2024

We invite you to submit symposia proposals for the 15th Conference of the European Ornithologists' Union, to be held in Bangor, United Kingdom, 18-22 August 2025. The EOU conference offers a unique opportunity for presenting your research to a diverse audience of ornithologists, and to highlight a topic about which you are passionate.

A symposium should focus on a *clear theme* which can be expected to be of interest to a wide range of ornithologists. We envisage that a symposium will consist of a 5 min. introduction presented by the conveners, a 25 min. review of the theme and 4 talks of 15 min. each (this includes questions and moving between symposia). The symposium is concluded by a 5 min. summary by the conveners. We envisage that the review and 2 or 3 talks are organised by the conveners and 1 or 2 talks can be later selected from contributed talks proposed by conference participants. All talks invited by the conveners must be confirmed by the time of submission of the symposium proposal.

Evaluation of symposium proposals will be based primarily on originality, interest and relevance to contemporary ornithology. We encourage diversity in the applications: proposals with **two conveners from different countries** will be given priority. Additionally, we advise proposals to include a balanced mix of speakers in terms of gender and career age. Involvement of Early Career Researchers (ECRs - PhD students or post-docs within 5 years of obtaining their PhD), either as conveners or invited speakers (please identify clearly any ECRs in the application), is desirable. Please ensure that the invited and contributed talks are presented by researchers from different

institutions and, when possible, different countries. No single person should present more than one talk during the same EOU conference.

Symposium Proposal: Your proposal should include the title, convener names and affiliations, and the presenters and (preliminary) titles of the review and talks. You should include a paragraph that would serve as scientific summary that can go on the website to attract submissions (if the proposal is accepted), and a separate motivation paragraph for the Scientific Program Committee's (SPC) evaluation. The proposal should not be longer than one A4 page. **The deadline** for submitting symposium proposals is **Friday 18 October 2024**.

Round Tables can be organized during evening sessions (2 h maximum). Their aim is to generate discussion and stimulate networking on a specific research topic or question. Round Tables can incorporate brief presentations to introduce the topic of discussion, but should leave sufficient room for actual discussion and interaction. Proposals should include the title, a brief description of the topic, and name and affiliation of the convener(s). The deadline for submitting round tables is **31 December 2024**. Submissions after this date can still be considered only if there is enough space in the program.

Pre- or post-congress meetings can consist of a half-day or a full-day meeting, with the format decided by the conveners. Submissions should contain the same information as the Round Tables. The **deadline** for submitting pre- or post-congress meetings is **31 December 2024**.

Submission: Submit your symposium proposal, RTD or pre/post-congress meeting proposals, as a single pdf email attachment to Andreas Nord, Chair of the Scientific Programme Committee, at: **andreas.nord@biol.lu.se**

For more information, please visit the EOU website
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