

Report on the 5th edition of Symposium “Entomology in Belgium”

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On Friday 28th of November more than 50 entomologists were present at the 5th edition of the Symposium “Entomology in Belgium” organized by the Royal Belgian Entomological Society. All participants attended a rather impressive program of 18 oral presentations of high scientific level and covering a large diversity of insect groups and topics. Also 10 posters were presented that day during the coffee breaks and lunch.

All topics were linked to entomology in Belgium or studies of Belgian entomologists abroad. From Belgian Miridae over flies from South-East Asia, beetles and spiders along the Belgian coast until beetles at Galapagos.

Five members of the scientific committee kept a special eye for all contributing students. Katrien De Wolf received a price for the best student oral presentation for “Does preference for the habitat in which you are born lead to sympatric speciation in a salt marsh beetle?” while Nina Wauters received the price for best student poster on : “Galápagos threatened by tropical fire ant invasion”.

We hope that within two years a 6th edition of the Symposium will be as successful as this one.



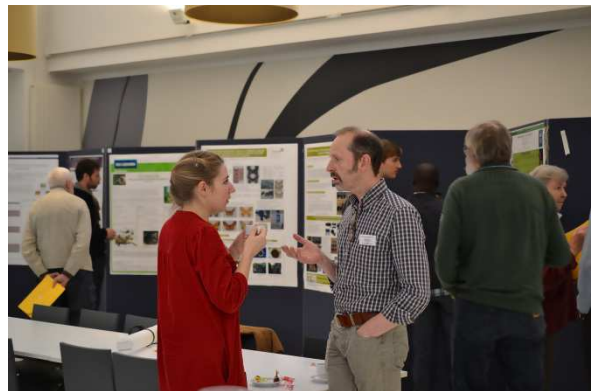
Some of the presented posters at the symposium.



Best Students winners Katrien De Wolf and Nina Wauters.



Organizing team of the Royal Belgian Entomological Society.



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