Countries of origin of participants of this IAVS symposium
This meeting: 330 Participants from 63 countries

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Finances

• Stable income (mainly through our journals / arrangements with Wiley)

• 2018: Total income 161,024 EURO
  Total expenses 176,098 EURO

• For 2019 and 2020, IAVS is projected to have slightly higher expenses than income, but we have considerable bank deposits

• Also for 2020, there will be a considerable financial support for people to attend the annual symposium and IAVS Working Group meetings
New Governing Board

New president: Susan Wiser

New secretary: David Zelený

Vice-presidents: Alessandra Fidelis, Monika Janišová, Peter Minchin, Javier Loidi, Martin Diekmann
Other Council business

Will be printed in the:

IAVS Bulletin
Working Groups:

European Vegetation Survey (EVS)

European Dry Grassland Group (EDGG)

EcoInformatics

Group for Phytosociological Nomenclature (GPN)

Circumboreal Vegetation Map (CBVM)

Vegetation Classification

Historical Ecology
Regional sections:
North America
Young Scientists Section
IAVS Publications Committee
Report

Peter Minchin
Vice President for Publications
State of the Journals 2018

• Both the Journal of Vegetation Science (JVS) and Applied Vegetation Science (AVS) continue to do very well and provide most of the association’s income
  – Licenced to 6316 institutions (up 13%)
  – Free or reduced cost to 7911 institutions in developing countries (up 3.2%)

• JVS
  – 6 issues, 106 articles
  – Impact Factor increased to 2.944

• AVS
  – 4 issues, 63 articles
  – Impact Factor increased to 3.568
Strategic Plan with Wiley

• Increase output
  – Attract more high quality submissions
  – Marketing to increase discoverability and readership
  – Attract editorial board members and authors from China, Central and South America

• Improve efficiency
  – Simplify submission format
  – Reduce reviewing and publication times

• Diversify revenue
  – Increase membership, authorship, readership in emerging markets, e.g. China

• Engage with Open Access
Open Access

• Publication landscape is changing
• Many journals are transitioning to gold Open Access
• First step for JVS and AVS is to go Online Only (no print run)
  – This allows for continuous publication
• We are exploring options for Open Access
• Main challenge is to ensure that authors can afford the Article Publication Charges (APCs)
  – Agreements in some countries for institutions to pay the APCs (e.g. Project DEAL in Germany)
  – Discounts or waivers for those unable to pay full APC
New IAVS Journal!!!

- Vegetation Classification and Survey (VCS)
  - Similar scope to Phytocoenologia
- Fully Open Access
  - Schedule of Article Publication Charges (APCs) will be announced soon
- Published by Pensoft
- First volume planned for 2020
- Now accepting submissions
- [https://vcs.pensoft.net/](https://vcs.pensoft.net/)
Future meetings

2020  Vladivostok, Russia

Offer:

2021  Madrid, Spain
PROPOSAL TO HOST THE
64th IAVS ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM
June-July, 2021

including pre-, mid- and post-symposium excursions

presented at the
63nd IAVS Annual Symposium
(Bremen, Germany, EU) – July 2019

Daniel Sánchez-Mata
(on behalf of ENVIROVEG - UCM Research Group)

Complutense University (UCM)
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Post-symposium excursion
IAVS Awards

Thanks to the judges of the young scientist awards!!!
Young Scientist Poster Award

First

Nina Fahs  Ecological and agricultural evaluation of different grassland management strategies
Gabriel Walther  Patterns of functional rarity of mesophilic grassland species

Honorable mentions

Carolin Plos  Relationships between flowering phenology and flower traits in herbaceous species
Po-Yu Lin  Diversity pattern of woody species along elevation in Taiwan: does the sample standardisation matter?
Young Scientist Oral Presentation Award

First

Teja Kattenborn  Combining Convolutional Neural Networks and high resolution UAV imagery - a powerful tool for vegetation mapping

Honorable mentions

Kathrin Litza  Historical or present-day conditions – which variables affect the forest specialist diversity in hedgerows?

Sara Middleton  When are traits "functional"? A demographic perspective
Items raised by you?
The end
- and see you ALL in Vladivostok, 2020!