



## POISON, WILDLIFE AND SOCIETY

### International scientific and technical congress on the illegal use of poisoned baits in the natural environment: Effects on biodiversity and society

November 15, 16 and 17, 2012. Córdoba, Spain

#### General Information:

Illegal use of poisoned baits is a serious threat to public health and biodiversity, both in Europe and world-wide. This illegal practice represents one of the biggest conservation problems for wildlife, often becoming the main cause of non-natural death.

The “Poison, wildlife and society” congress is organized in the frame of the project LIFE09 NAT/ES/000533 “*Innovative actions against illegal poisoning in EU Mediterranean pilot areas*”, as one of the main actions of its dissemination programme.

The aim of this international project is to develop, monitor and evaluate different innovative actions oriented to eradicate or reduce the use of illegal poisoned baits, which is one of the principal threatening and extinction factors for a number of species, as the Iberian wolf, the Brown bear, the Iberian lynx, the Imperial eagle or the Bearded vulture.

#### Objectives:

The aim of the congress is to provide an international forum for scientific and technical dissemination and debate that contribute to solve the problem of the illegal use of poisoned baits. The meeting is opened to different experiences against the use of poison, including government strategies and specific Life+ conservation projects on this problem. Other points of view that will be considered are the scientific and technical contributions about legal aspects, forensic techniques, ecology of predators, and hunting and livestock management.

#### Activities and expected results:

The congress is structured in a series of outstanding expert lectures on different professional areas linked with the illegal use of poison baits. These lectures are distributed in three thematic areas: “Ongoing European Life+ projects to fight against the illegal use of poison”, “Toxicology, action protocols and legal aspects” and “Predators ecology, Game management, Extensive livestock management”. Each thematic area is linked to a roundtable which will join different experts and stakeholders related with the fight against poison. Moreover, the congress includes a demonstration session of the Life+ “Innovation Against Poison” European Canine Team, a specialized unit for the detection of poisoned baits.

It is expected that the meeting will help orienting solutions to several problems of game and livestock management, and that it will represent a significant step forward in eradicating the illegal use of poisoned baits in the natural environment in Europe.

**Name in short:** POISON, WILDLIFE AND SOCIETY

**Official languages:** English, Spanish. Simultaneous interpreting.

**Location:** Córdoba Congress Centre. Córdoba, Spain.

**Timetable:** 9.00 h - 19.50 h.

**Field visit:** Life+ “Innovation Against Poison” pilot area ES1 “Los Pedroches”. Demonstration of the European Canine Team (ECT).

**Key words:** Biodiversity, Birds of prey, Canine team, Carbofuran, Carnivores, Conservation, European networks, Forensic protocols, Game management, Illegal poisoning, Life projects, Human–wildlife conflict, Hunting, Legal aspects, Livestock management, Poison baits, Toxicology, Wildlife management.



## Registration:

Fill out the **registration form** and send it with the **receipt for payment** of congress fee (bank transfer) to [comunicacion.life.iap@gypaetus.org](mailto:comunicacion.life.iap@gypaetus.org)

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### Fees:

Reduced Fee (field visit not included), to November 15, 2012:	10€
Complete Fee (field visit included), to November 15, 2012:	20€

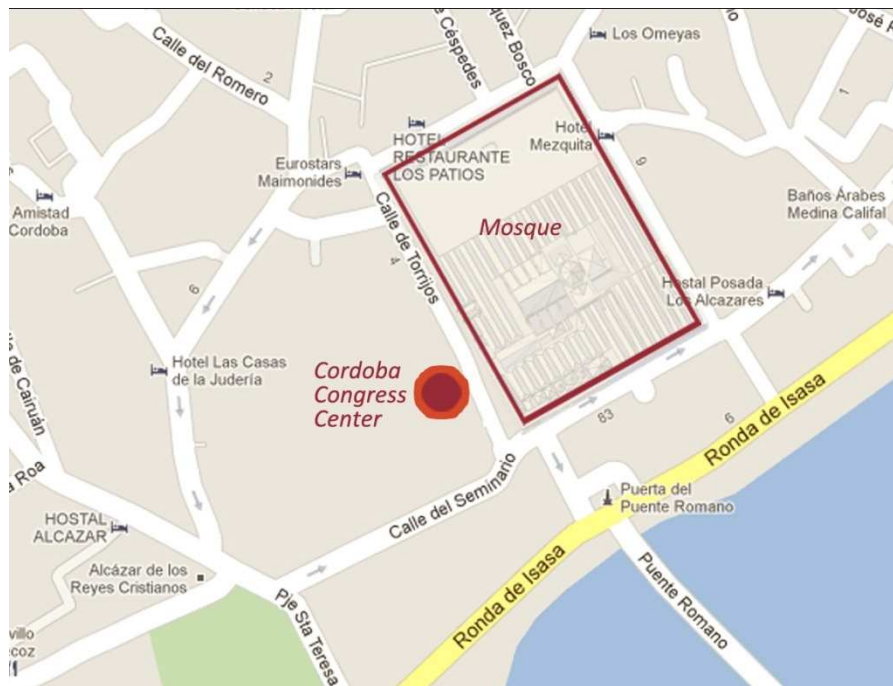
*Cancellations will not be accepted.*

**The fee include:** registration fee, congress material and travelling and lunch expenses of the field visit.

**Refunds:** Cancellations will not be accepted.

## Conference location:

The conference will take place at the Plenary Room of the Cordoba Congress Center, located at C/Torrijos 10, 14.003 Córdoba.





### Documents of interest:

1. General information
2. Poster
3. Programme
4. Registration form
5. Córdoba accomodation

### Organization:



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