Announcement

23rd International Ornithological Congress
Beijing, China, August 11-17, 2002

The 23rd International Ornithological Congress (IOC) will be held in Beijing, China, from August 11-17, 2002. The first IOC ever held in Asia, and the first for the new millennium, the Congress will focus on ornithology in Asia, as well as conservation issues and recent developments in ornithology worldwide. Ten plenary lectures and 40 symposia are scheduled, featuring distinguished ornithologists speaking on a variety of subjects including avian evolution, ecology, flight, song, physiology, population dynamics and conservation. The Congress' scientific program will also feature contributed poster and paper sessions, evening presentations, round-table discussions and opportunities for meetings of special interest groups. Congress proceedings will be published after the meeting, both conventionally in hard copy, and as a CD-ROM. There will also be superb opportunities for local birding, with field trips before, during, and after the Congress, and the rich culture and fascinating history of Beijing is not to be missed. Destinations for cultural tours will include the Great Wall, Imperial Palace (Forbidden City), Temple of Heaven, and Mogao Grottoes on the Silk Road.

Registration for the Congress opens November 1, 2001.

Deadlines are:
Early registration: December 31, 2001
Standard registration: May 31, 2002
Submission of abstracts for contributed papers and proposals for round-table discussions: July 1, 2001

For more information, check the Congress website (www.ioc.org.cn), or contact the Congress secretariat at:
Phone: (86-10) 6217-4952
Fax: (86-10) 6218-0142
e-mail: infocenter@ioc.org.cn,
Mail: Attn: Mr. LIU Feng, IOC 2002/CICCST, 86 Xueyuan Nan Road, Beijing 100081, China.