

The 2nd Asian Ornithological Conference, Beijing, China

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The 2nd Asian Ornithological Conference will be held from November 14 to 17, 2024, at the National Convention Center in Beijing. This conference is supported and promoted by the International Ornithological Union (IOU). The chief organizer is the Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, with co-organizers including the College of Life Sciences, Northeast Normal University, and the College of Life Sciences, Shaanxi Normal University, Anhui University. The conference is also supported by the School of Ecology and Nature Conservation, Beijing Forestry University, International Society of Zoological Sciences, the Crested Ibis National Nature Reserve Research Center, China Ornithological Society, the journal *Avian Research*, Beijing Normal University, the Key Laboratory of Biodiversity, Fudan University, Hebei Normal University, Hainan Normal University, Southwest Forestry University, Sichuan Normal University, and Northeast Forestry University. The conference chairman is Professor Sun Yuehua from the Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences.

As an international event for the Asian ornithology, the conference aim to provide researchers with a platform to present and exchange their research findings on global stage. We welcome scientists and researchers from universities and research institutes across Asia, even worldwide, working in ornithology and related fields, to submit their high-quality research and participate in this prestigious academic event of Asian ornithology.

The official language of the conference: **English.**

1. The theme of conference

The new era of Asia ornithology



2. Dates and Program of the conference

14 - 17 November, 2024

3. The venue

China National Convention Center, Beijing, China.

4. Fees and Inclusions

During the conference, each participant is responsible for their own accommodation costs. The registration fee payment methods can be found on the official website of the 2nd Asian Ornithological Conference (AOC 2024 (casconf.cn)). Registration is divided into early registration, regular registration, and on-site registration, based on the date of payment.

Registration Category	Student	Standard	Student developing C&R	Standard developing C&R
Early Bird (before 31 August)	¥2000	¥3500	¥1000	¥1800
Normal registration (1 September to 15 October)	¥2500	¥4500	¥1300	¥2300
On-site registration	¥3000	¥6000	¥1500	¥2500

Conference Funding Details:

The conference will provide funding support to representatives from third-world countries, with three levels: full funding (airfare + accommodation + registration fee), moderate funding (airfare + accommodation), and travel funding (airfare). Funding slots are limited, and participants can apply by submitting an application to the organizing committee or being recommended by the committee, followed by a review process.

To promote the development of ornithological research in Asia, three diamond sponsors from China (Hunan Global Messenger, Beijing Prestar Technology + Sichuan Druid Technology, and Shenzhen Uovision) have set up research grant programs. These grants support research on bird migration, field individual monitoring, and field bird diversity monitoring. Applicants should submit the applications with a brief research plan to the conference email. Specific funding slots will be determined by the conference organizing committee and the sponsors. Devices will be provided according to the researcher's needs. The winners should acknowledge the AOC and the respective sponsors in the presentation of results and reports in the future.

- Hunan Global Messenger: Plans to fund 10-15 sets of bird satellite tracking devices, with 3 devices per set.
- Beijing Prestar Technology + Sichuan Druid Technology: Plans to fund 10 sets of bird satellite tracking devices, with 2 devices per set.
- Shenzhen Uovision: Plans to fund 10-15 sets of newly developed acoustic monitoring devices, with 2 devices per set.

Payment Information

Bank account details are as follows: (When making a remittance, domestic units should include "2nd Asian Ornithological Congress + Unit + Name" and indicate if an invoice is needed. Foreign units

should include "AOC + University + Name"). Foreign participants who have difficulties with early registration payments can pay on-site at the early bird rate either in cash or by credit card.

Account Name: Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Bank: Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Haidian West District Branch

Bank Account Number: 0200004509088125063

SWIFT CODE: ICBKCNBJBJM

5. Meeting Agenda

Date	Time	Activity
November 14	10:00-17:00	Registration and Check-in
	10:00-16:00	Workshop
November 15	8:00-12:00	Opening Ceremony, Plenary talk
	13:00-15:00	Group Report, Poster Session
November 16	8:00-12:00	Plenary talk
	13:00-15:00	Group Report, Poster Session
November 17	8:00-12:00	Group Report, Poster Session
	13:00-15:00	Plenary talk, Closing Ceremony

Academic Reports and Requirements:

The conference will feature various forms of academic exchange, including keynote speeches, symposiums, roundtable discussions, and poster presentations. Awards will be given for Best Young Researcher Presentation and Best Poster. The deadline for abstract submission is **August 31**. In addition to the predetermined themes, participants can organize additional topics for seminars and roundtable discussions by contacting the organizing committee. The conference has confirmed 18 sponsors and will provide different awards for oral presentations and posters, with substantial prizes available. Please refer to the conference website template for abstract formatting. Each abstract should not exceed 300 words, excluding the title, and should clearly and concisely summarize the content of the presentation. For more details, visit AOC 2024 website (<https://aoc.casconf.cn/page/1719598176572411905>).

1. Training Workshop

- (1) Theme: Estimating wildlife density based on survey data and R;
Speaker: Professor Xinhai Li, Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences
- (2) Theme: Species distribution models in ornithology;
Speaker: Professor Huijie Qiao, Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences
- (3) Theme: AI-based Bird Detection and Recognition
Speaker: Dr. Congtian Lin, Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences

2. Plenary and Keynote Reports

The confirmed plenary speakers:

Professor Guojie Zhang from Zhejiang University,

Professor Juha Merilä from the University of Hong Kong,

Professor Zhengwang Zhang from Beijing Normal University,

Associate Professor Sang-Im Lee from DGIST, South Korea.

Nyambayar Batbayar, Wildlife Science and Conservation Center of Mongolia

3. Thematic Sessions and Workshops

The following thematic workshops have been established through coordination with relevant organizations: Asian landbird banding and monitoring, avian diseases: parasites and infectious disease ecology, Asian bird migration research, migration research and migration corridor protection, conservation genetics, bird conservation practices involving non-state actors, and research and conservation of Asian cranes, Roundtable discussion on the conservation of the Oriental White Stork.

Other related thematic sessions and roundtable discussions include: global changes and bird responses, urban bird diversity, avian behavioral ecology, habitat protection and management, population and community ecology, breeding ecology and reproductive strategies, molecular mechanisms of avian adaptive evolution, physiological and environmental adaptation, ornithological techniques and methods, characteristics of avian gut microbiomes, threatened bird species conservation, raptor monitoring and migration tracking, bird species differentiation and speciation, and wetland bird ecology.

The session organizers and the conference's scientific committee will review submitted abstracts and determine the list of oral presentations for the session. We encourage all conference participants to submit their abstracts. Due to limited time for oral presentations, some submissions may be scheduled as poster presentations. Please log in to the website of the 2nd Asian Ornithological Conference to check the presentation format for your submitted report.

The final schedule for each oral presentation session will be confirmed in the official conference notice. Each oral presentation will be allocated 15 minutes (12 minutes for the presentation and 3 minutes for questions). The standard size for posters is 90 cm (width) × 120 cm (height).

6. Accommodation

Recommended hotels for the conference include:

Asia-Ocean International Hotel,

National Conference Center Hotel,

Time Walk Hotel,

Home Inn,

All Seasons Hotel,

7 Days Inn.

For more details, please visit AOC 2024 (casconf.cn). Attendees are advised to book rooms through hotel websites or platforms such as Ctrip as rooms are limited due to multiple conferences during this period. Early booking is recommended.

7. Sponsorship and Exhibition Opportunities

The conference will offer a range of sponsorship and exhibition opportunities for domestic and international manufacturers and suppliers of instruments, equipment, and materials. This will allow your organization to showcase your products or services at this international forum and build valuable professional connections. Packages and commitment levels vary and can be customized according to your marketing strategy. A detailed exhibitor brochure outlining these opportunities is available. For specific information, please contact Song Kai (email: songkai@ioz.ac.cn).

8. Primary Contact Email

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We warmly welcome ornithologists and researchers from universities, research institutes, nature reserves, museums, zoos, and wildlife management departments across Asia to join us at the Asian Ornithological Conference!