

- developing a science plan and implementation strategy for the next phase of IMBER research.

The Call for Abstracts for the IMBER OSC 2014 is now open! Deadline for abstract submission: 15 January 2014.

Contributions to the IMBER OSC 2014 are welcome from all marine and oceanographic communities!

We encourage you to forward this call widely to your colleagues and other interested parties, and we look forward to meeting you in Bergen!

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MeioScool 2013: Meiofauna International Workshop: A dive in a microscopic world!

Brest, France

26-29 November 2013

<http://meioscool2013.sciencesconf.org>

Meiofauna is one of the fundamental components of benthic communities and is characterized by high abundance and diversity, fast turnover rates and occupies a key position in the food web. Meiofauna contains most known animal phyla and is certainly the most abundant and diversified group in the world.



The objective of MeioScool 2013 is to bring together several meiofaunal experts in Brest in order to:

- 1) Increase awareness of researchers, students and general public about the fundamental role of meiofauna in marine ecosystems from the coastal zone to abyssal depths.
- 2) Train students and researchers in the identification and description of meiofauna through several complementary disciplines (taxonomy, ecology, molecular biology) and stimulate a new generation of meiobenthologists.

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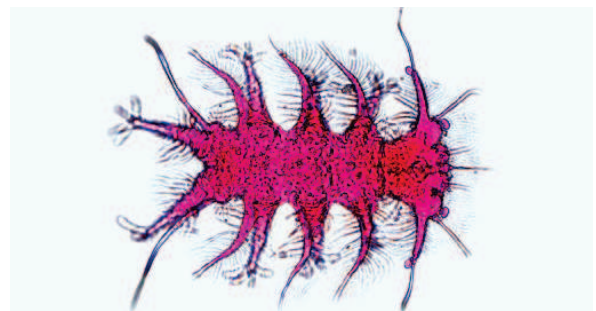
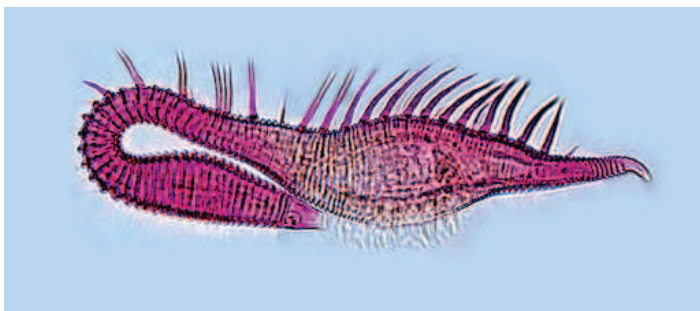


Figure 1 (left): *Akanthepsilonema* sp.; Figure 2 (right): *Neostygartus* sp.

Pedro Martinez Arbizu, Diego Fontaneto, Andy Gooday, Reinhardt Møbjerg Kristensen, Viatcheslav Ivanenko, Martin Sørensen and Ann Vanreusel will enhance the conference by keynote lectures.

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**WORLD CONFERENCE ON
MARINE BIODIVERSITY**
10 to 14 October 2010, Washington, DC, USA

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