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INFORMATION ABOUT PROVIDING PASSPORT INFORMATION

Delegates and guests who attend events at IFREMER campus - the Gala and Thursday's program - **must** provide passport information as described in Section D on the Registration Form.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE FULL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Full Conference Registration includes: a conference packet with program, all conference sessions, workshop(s) and meetings, one copy of the proceedings (distributed after publication), and access to exhibits.

- Lunch and (2) coffee breaks per day (M-W) are included in the registration fee.
- Other items included in your Full Registration are the Sunday Reception, the Reception and Gala dinner (Wednesday evening at IFREMER), the special conference sessions on Thursday at IFREMER/CEDM (transportation, lunch & coffee break, a tour of IFREMER labs, a tour of the new library facility (CEDM), and field trip(s) on Friday as described below.
- Optional items such as a conference T-shirt, guest participation in social events, extra proceedings, etc. can be purchased separately; indicate the optional items you want on the form and include payment to Le Quartz with your registration.

INFORMATION ABOUT REGISTRATION FOR ONLY ONE-DAY OR TWO DAYS

This special registration category accommodates delegates who are only able to attend one or two days of the conference. This category is limited to two days. To register for more than two days, delegates must register for the full conference. The registration fee includes a conference packet with program, conference sessions, workshop(s), meetings, access to exhibits, lunch and (2) coffee breaks per day (M-W) are included on the day(s) registered. Optional items such as proceedings (distributed after publication), T-shirts, delegate or guest participation in other events, etc. can be purchased separately; indicate the optional items you want on the form and include payment to Le Quartz with your registration.

INFORMATION ABOUT LE QUARTZ AND YOUR REGISTRATION

The conference is held at "Le Quartz", located in the center of Brest within easy walking distance of hotels and restaurants.

- More information about Le Quartz (in French) can be found at http://www.lequartzcongres.com
- Your conference registration is managed by Le Quartz. If you have any questions about your registration or payment, Le Quartz staff will respond.

Send your registration form (complete Section A and either Section B or Section C) with full payment before September 15th, 2001 to:

QUARTZ CONFERENCE CENTRE

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 Please note: All basic registration fees increase after September 1st. There is no increase for ticketed, social events or optional items.

CANCELLATION OF YOUR REGISTRATION

• In the event of cancellation, notify Le Quartz in writing before October 1 2001; you will be reimbursed all but 250 F. In case of cancellations after October 1st, 2001, there is no refund.

BREST AIRPORT: SPECIAL, LIMITED SHUTTLE SERVICE

Concerning arrival at Brest airport, local hosts have arranged for a special shuttle bus on Saturday and Sunday to pick up delegates who arrive on the 2pm plane from Paris (This is the Roissy-Charles de Gaulle plane that connects with many international flights). At this time, this is the only shuttle scheduled to pick up delegates at Brest airport.

- A special shuttle will be available for departures very early on Saturday morning, Oct. 20 (for the plane returning to the Paris-Charles de Gaulle airport, departing Brest at 6:30 am).
- NOTE: Outside this schedule, conference attendees will have to take a taxi (150 FF from airport to/from Brest center).
- If you check the box on the registration form, you will be contacted about availability of a special shuttle at the time of your arrival in Brest airport.
- Further arrangements of shuttle transportation for departures will be made during the conference week.

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS OR DISABILITY

You will be contacted if there are any questions about meeting your needs.

CONFERENCE HOTELS AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

It is the responsibility of delegates to make their own travel and hotel arrangements. The conference web page includes information about hotels in Brest offering conference rates.

MISCELLANEOUS

The IAMSLIC conferences include a couple of traditional activities that are not described on the registration form. Participation in these activities is optional (and great fun!)

- Guin Silent Auction: Delegates may bring item(s) that are placed on display during the conference.
 Conference attendees write down their bids for these items; the item goes to the highest bidder. Money raised by this event goes to the IAMSLIC scholarship fund, named for Marilyn Potts Guin. These funds help sponsor memberships for librarians in developing countries.
- T-Shirt/coffee mug exchange: If you bring a T-shirt or Coffee Mug which has the logo from your university or marine science center, you will exchange it for an item brought by one of your colleagues. The exchange usually takes place during the banquet/Gala (on Wednesday evening). After attending a few IAMSLIC conferences, you will have a very nice collection!

SPECIAL PROGRAM AT IFREMER W/ TOUR OF CEDM: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18 A SEA DOCUMENTATION CENTER OF EUROPEAN SCOPE. THE CEDM. SOON TO OPEN IN BREST

A few months before the 27th annual IAMSLIC conference, combined with that of EURASLIC, will be held in Brest, I have the pleasure of offering you a first look at the new European center for documentation on the sea (CEDM), which you will have the opportunity to visit. Before presenting the center, I must inform you that it has not been set up by the European Community nor under EC authorization, but it is a French project which aims, in particular to give Brittany a documentation center of European scope, which could reinforce the building of a European research pole in the field of Sciences of the Sea. There are three partners behind the project:

- the University of western Brittany (UBO), including the European institute for sciences of the sea (IUEM), just next to the CEDM..
- The French research institute for exploitation of the sea (IFREMER), whose main center, endowed with 600 staff, is located in Brest,
- the Research institute for development (IRD), whose center for Brittany is also located in Brest, on the IFREMER campus.

These partners have agreed to pool their resources to achieve the following mission:

- to provide all their staff (research scientists, teacher/researchers, engineers, technicians and others), their students and teams from other French universities, with access to scientific and technical information in the field of Sciences of the Sea.
- to be one of the main components of the "Sea related pole" of the National library of France (BNF), and
- to meet, within the range of its competence, information requirements of maritime professionals and other actors in the sea-related social and economic sector.

Amongst the resources which will be available when the Center opens are:

- facilities and resources:
 - a building with 2,500 m² of floor space, including a 600 m² reading room and storage areas to accommodate 150,000 books,
 - ❖ information sources, such as :
 - collections of documents with nearly 35,000 monographs and various publications, 3,500 theses and thousands of maps and charts,
 - specialized data bases, created by partner organizations or purchased from suppliers,
 - on-line access to outside sources of information.
- human resources, with a staff of fifteen.

The Center's opening, which has been postponed for almost a year following technical hitches after its construction, should take place at the end of this year. First, new wooden flooring will be laid, then the fittings installed. We hope that these stages will be completed at the time of the IAMSLIC – EURASLIC conference and that we will be able to present the center to you in its definitive form, i.e., a working tool of exceptional quality devoted to research and development.

I am sure you will find it both impressive and appealing.

-- Marthe Melguen

FIELD TRIPS ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

Two field trips are available for delegates and their guests who are either in Brest or in Paris on Friday:

- In Paris, a guided tour of the Bibliothèque Nationale de France (BNF) will be available to occur from 2-4 pm. This guided tour is limited to 20 persons. If you will attend the BNF tour, check the box on your registration form. There is no charge for this tour, but we must know how many people will attend. Transportation to the BNF is the responsibility of the person.
 - Public tours of BNF are also available on Saturday and Sunday, but there is no guide.
- In Brest, a trip to Océanopolis [http://www.oceanopolis.com/] and the South of the Finistère (e.g. Presqu'île de Crozon, Menez-Hom, Locronan, Quimper) are offered as a "gift" to delegates who register for the full conference; lunch is included.
 - Delegates who only register for one- or two days may purchase a ticket for this field trip to cover admission to Oceanopolis, lunch and transportation expenses; check this item on your registration form and include payment.
 - Tickets may also be purchased for your guests to attend the field trip on Friday; check this item on your registration form and include payment.

ABOUT OCEANOPOLIS IN BREST: A FANTASTIC TOOL TO DISCOVER THE OCEANS OF TEMPERATE, TROPICAL AND POLAR REGIONS, AND A SHOWCASE FOR OCEAN RESEARCH

On the scale of France, and even Europe, Océanopolis is a creation of exceptional scope and quality. It attracts over 500,000 visitors each year to Brest and is one of the main vectors for the development of tourism in Brittany. Since 1990, it has been located in Brest's harbour area and was designed to raise public awareness of the beauty, rich variety and specificity of the temperate ocean's floors. Brittany's sea floors are particularly highlighted, showing both the facies (rocky and sedimentary) and related ecosystems along a bathymetric profile going from the coastal cliffs to the ocean depths off Brittany. Moreover, as well as the benthic ecosystems, its superb aquariums present living marine resources, (for instance: fish, crustaceans, shellfish, seaweed, etc.) which exist at this latitude and at the depths in question. This presentation is combined with an initiation for visitors to understand the oceanographic and climatological mechanisms on the global ocean scale.

• Océanopolis has two new pavilions, a polar pavilion and a tropical pavilion, as well as a screening room for 3-D films. Now we can take an ocean voyage, from the coasts of Brittany to the Antarctic and then to the coral reefs of tropical zones. This is made possible by huge pools (3,000 m³) with the conditions required for polar species on the one hand and tropical marine species on the other. Every day, you can see the beautiful ballet of seals, fur seals and sharks.

BECOME A MEMBER OF IAMSLIC and/or EURASLIC

Information about joining IAMSLIC is available online at http://siolibrary.ucsd.edu/iamslic/ Information about joining EURASLIC is available online at http://Atlantis.fl.ncmr.gr/euraslic.htm

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