6th International Cormorant Research Group meeting Odessa, Ukraine 10-14 September 2003

We are glad to announce the sixth Wetlands International Cormorant Research Group meeting in Odessa.

Special emphasis will be given on the situation of Cormorants and fisheries in Eastern Europe and the eastern part of the Mediterranean.

Preliminary programme

10 Sept - arrival and accommodation of participants. City tour Odessa.

11 Sept - official opening of conference and several plenary papers. Afternoon regional papers. Friendly dinner.

12 Sept - conference excursion to the Ramsar site wetland – Delta of the river Dniestr (on the Ukrainian and Moldavian border) with many Pygmy Cormorants. Social and cultural programme.

13 Sept - Papers on each species of Cormorant. Round table discussion on the Pygmy Cormorant. Prepare and adopt a resolution. Slides and video about Cormorants and other birds and Ukrainian nature

14 Sept - Departure. (For real birdwatchers we propose a post conference excursion to the Danube delta - 3 days

We intend to have abstracts of papers and posters ready at the beginning of the conference. Official language is English and Russian with translation.

Main organisers - Odessa National University named after I.I. Mechnikov, Department of Biology

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