REPORT ON THE 1st SYMPOSIUM OF THE S.I.O. REGIONAL OFFICE IN EAST ASIA (SIOROEA)

The Symposium was held in the National Science Museum (NSM), Daejeon, Korea during 26-29 July 2002, at the invitation of Dr Seung-Mo LEE (Head, Korean Branch SIOROEA) and Dr Seung-Lak AN (Director, Department of Natural History, NSM). A Reception Party was kindly offered by the Director General, NSM. Fifty-one workers from Belgium, China, Germany, Japan, Korea, Russia (Siberia) and Taiwan have attended.

Eleven oral presentations and three posters were presented, viz.: – p a p e r s: *Dumont, H.J.*: Position of the eastern Cercion representatives redefined by molecular and morphological means; – *Haritonov, A.Yu.*: The dragonfly fauna of the Asian part of the former USSR; – *Inoue, K., E.I. Malikova & N. Katatani*: On the status of the forms intermediate between Sympetrum depressiusculum and S. frequens in Primoriya and Korea; – *Inoue, K. & M. Okazaki* [Invited Paper]: The upright emergence in Macrodiplax cora; - Karube, H .: On Chlorogomphinae of Vietnam; - Kosterin, O.E.: Western limits and isolates of some generally East Asian odonate species in southern Siberia and their putative origin; - Malikova, E.I.: On the current state of knowledge on Odonata of Russian Far Eastern nature reserves; - Ohama, S .: Notes on the immigrant Sympetrum depressiusculum and S. cordulegaster along the Japan Sea, Shimane prefecture; - Popova, O.N .: The Asiatic dragonflies of the genus Sympetrum; - Watanabe, M .: Population dynamics of the endangered brackish water damselfly Mortonagrion hirosei in a small reed community; -Wilson, K.D.P.: Dragonflies from Nan Ling, northern Guangdon, China. - posters: Kojo, T.: On the nocturnal roosting in Orthetrum albistylum speciosum and Sympetrum infuscatum; - Taguchi, M., H. Tani, M. Taguchi, K. Nishimura & K. Yokoyama: The use of secondary deciduous forest with the water area in Odonata, 1: Community structure in relation to the environment; - 2: Spatial distribution in Lestes temporalis and Copera annulata in relation to their reproductive behaviour.

During the mid-symposium field trip, the Ogcheon River (Ogcheon Co.), a dragonfly pond and a big dragonfly cultivating cage of the Agricultural Technology Centre (Gurye Co.) were visited.

The SIOROEA was founded in 2001, its Symposia will be held biennially, but the forthcoming venue is to take place in July 2005 in Osaka, Japan, and will be organized by Isao Matsuda (e-mail: matsuda@kcn.ne.jp) and Seiji Nishu (e-mail: snishu@mx2.nisiq.net).

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