

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

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Memorandum of Cooperation

As signatories to this Memorandum of Cooperation with the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, we support the overall aim of the Commission, that of promoting "Standards, Sense and Stability for animal names in science". We endorse the activities of the Commission in producing and periodically revising the *International Code of Zoological Nomenclature*, and ruling on cases where animal nomenclature requires resolution.

We recognise that the Commission is a unique body of specialist scientists, truly international in its composition, who freely donate their services to the work of ICZN. Without the existence of ICZN, and particularly without the Code, animal scientific nomenclature would rapidly become unstable.

Now more than ever, with information technology revolutionising the way that animal taxonomy is undertaken and the means by which the results of taxonomic research are disseminated, ICZN has a central and crucial role to play in maintaining stability of animal names.

We also support ICZN's Mission and Vision statements:

Mission:

The International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature is dedicated to achieving stability and sense in the scientific naming of animals.

Vision:

The International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature (ICZN), acting in the capacity of adviser and arbiter, assists the zoological community through generation and dissemination of information on the correct use of the scientific names of animals.

This includes the publication of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature and the Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature containing applications to, and rulings by, the Commission.

ICZN will distribute this information as widely as possible, working towards the provision of a free service.

By signing this Memorandum of Cooperation we are therefore pleased to become ICZN Affiliates forthwith.

Signed:

Date:

Position in organisation:

Organisation name or stamp: