



Study of Aquatic And Terrestrial Ecosystems: history and modernity

IV International Scientific and Practical Conference
dedicated to the 155th anniversary of the Sevastopol
Biological Station – A.O. Kovalevsky Institute of Biology
of the Southern Seas of RAS

September 7–13 2026, Sevastopol, Russia



From September 7 to 13, 2026, the **IV International Scientific and Practical Conference “STUDY OF AQUATIC AND TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS: HISTORY AND MODERNITY”** will be held at the oldest marine biological research institution in Russia – the A.O. Kovalevsky Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas of RAS (IBSS) in Sevastopol. The conference is dedicated to important historical milestones of IBSS: the **155th** anniversary of the Sevastopol Biological Station – A.O. Kovalevsky Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas, the **180th** anniversary of N.N. Miklouho Maclay, the **140th** anniversary of Dr. V.N. Nikitin, the **100th** anniversary of Prof. Yu.G. Aleev, the **90th** anniversary of Prof. V.E. Zaika (Corr. Mem. NASU), and the **50th** anniversary of the research vessel Professor Vodyanitsky.

The conference is held within the framework of Russia's Decade of Science and Technology. We welcome researchers, academics, postgraduates, and students from research institutes and universities, as well as representatives of state and local government bodies, relevant ministries and agencies, business structures, and NGOs interested in advancing scientific research and its practical application.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES:

- Present findings from fundamental and applied research on aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems and marine instrumentation, conducted both in Russia and internationally.
- Facilitate discussion on the sustainable use and conservation of biological resources
- Support the professional development of early career scientists and specialists from research and educational institutions.

THE SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM OF THE CONFERENCE INCLUDES ORAL AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING MAIN SECTIONS:

- Biodiversity and Conservation of Aquatic and Terrestrial Ecosystems
- Structure, Function, and Dynamics of Aquatic and Terrestrial Ecosystems
- Environmental Microbiology and Phycology (Algology)
- Physiology and Biochemistry of Adaptation in Aquatic Organisms
- Molecular Biology and Genetics of Aquatic Organisms
- Pollution and Radio-Chemoecology of Aquatic and Terrestrial Ecosystems
- Biological Resources, Biotechnology, and Aquaculture
- Marine Instrumentation and Monitoring Technologies of Aquatic Ecosystems
- Historical Session
- Section of the Junior Academy of Sciences



CONFERENCE EVENTS:

- A Historical Session: This special session will honor the legacy of the Sevastopol Biological Station, the Station's Origins and Development, the forerunner of the A.O. Kovalevsky Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas (IBSS), and pay tribute to the seminal contributions of renowned scientists: the explorer Nikolay N. Miklukho-Maklay, Dr. V.N. Nikitin, Professor Yu.G. Aleyev, and Professor V.E. Zaika, Corresponding Member of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine.
- A Scientific Seminar: "Professor Vodyanitsky: "50 Years in Service to Science."
- School-seminar "Modern Hydrobiology". The school events include lectures, master classes and workshops aimed at mastering modern research methods in marine biology, improving data processing skills and presentation of research results. The organizer of the school-seminar is the Council of Young Scientists and Specialists of IBSS.
- IV All-Russian School for Young Scientists "Advanced Russian Molecular Genetic Technologies for Integrated Biological Research".

Proposals for additional scientific sessions, roundtable programmes, seminars, or the practical school (with a brief rationale for the proposed topic) should be sent to the Organizing Committee at: conf@ibss-ras.ru conf@ibss-ras.ru

Conference format: mixed – in-person and remote participation using online platforms

Presentation formats: oral (plenary and sectional)

Conference working languages: Russian and English

Following the conference, a collection of conference materials with an assigned ISBN will be published. The electronic collection will be posted on the conference website, in the open access repository of IBSS: repository.marine-research.ru, as well as in the Russian National Bibliography Database of Scientific Citation (RSCI).

Registration of participants and submission of materials is carried out via the Lomonosov platform at: lomonosov-msu.ru/rus/event/10228/

KEY DATES & DEADLINES:

Preliminary registration – **until May 20, 2026.**

Submission of abstracts and payment of the registration fee – **until June 30, 2026.**

Information on the format of materials, publication procedure, and the conference programme will be posted on the conference website: conf.ibss-ras.ru

CONFERENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

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REGISTRATION FEE:

To participate in the conference, you must sign a contract for paying the registration fee. A template of the contract can be downloaded from the conference website: conf.ibss-ras.ru.

For legal entities, the contract form will be sent upon request to the Organizing Committee e mail (conf@ibss-ras.ru).

The registration fee amounts to:

4000 rub – in person participation

2000 rub – in person participation for students, postgraduates, and young scientists (under 35)

1000 rub – remote participation

The fee covers conference organisation, information and postal services, consumables, participant's materials, and coffee breaks.

If several co authors of one presentation attend in person, the registration fee must be paid for each participant separately. Please ensure that all co authors attending in person register via the Lomonosov platform.

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After registration, download the contract template from the conference website conf.ibss-ras.ru, fill it in, sign it, and send it to the Organizing Committee e mail conf@ibss-ras.ru. You will then receive an invoice for payment.

Please note that travel, accommodation, meals, and hotel booking are to be arranged by participants themselves. Participation in the optional programme (banquet, excursions) is paid separately upon registration.

ADDITIONALLY:

The conference programme, information about Sevastopol hotels, transport, cafés, the official banquet, and the excursion programme will be sent to registered participants in subsequent information letters and will also be posted on the conference website conf.ibss-ras.ru.

We look forward to welcoming you in Sevastopol!

Respectfully, The Organizing Committee