



15th European Moth Nights

10th–14th May 2018

INVITATION

Dear colleagues and fellow lepidopterologists!

As in previous years, we invite you to a
moth observation
to be held from 10th to 14th May 2018
at any optional, voluntarily and independently chosen
place (or places) in Europe.

We want to confine ourselves to macro-moths in the traditional sense of the term (**Macroheterocera**) (including Hepialidae, Cossidae, Limacodidae and Psychidae families). It is possible to collect in the same place every nights, or at different places on different nights.

Purpose of the event: Cultivation of natural history and entomological connections, this is a wide-ranging European faunistic snapshot on macro-moths and publication of the results (for details see attached "Information").

The data should be sent in the form of a **species list** (preferably in EXCEL table format or some other format) **by 31st January 2019 at the latest**, to any of the addresses found below, or to the EMN-Ambassador of the given country (preferably by e-mail or regular postal service). **We kindly ask you to keep the deadline under any circumstances!**

The following data are to be put on the list: **Name and address of the collector, family, genus, species name (including perhaps the generally known, more important synonyms of species names). For system and names**, checklist by KARSHOLT & RAZOWSKI 1996 should preferably be used (with the serial number of the species) or some other accepted checklist.

You also have to indicate the name of country, region, locality, exact location, height above sea-level, date, method of collecting (lamp type), and provide reference to the frequency of species, either by exact number of specimens or by approximate data: x = very rare (1-5), xx = rare (6-29), xxx = frequent (30-99), xxxx = very frequent (above 100).

Further information, an empty Excel table to be filled in as well as a list - including availability - of the EMN-Ambassadors can be found at the following website:

<http://euromothnights.uw.hu>

It is **very important**, that **only the data of moths determined beyond doubt** should be put on the list. In the case of any uncertainty regarding determination of a specimen, turn to reliable help or don't send the data at all.

**PLEASE FORWARD THIS INVITATION TO
ALL THE EUROPEAN LEPIDOPTERISTS YOU KNOW!**

Hoping that you find a lot of enjoyment in the event, we send our best wishes and are looking forward to your participation,

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