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Copenhagen Congress

What a splendid meeting we had! Former President Koos Boomsma and his intrepid committees organized a terrific scientific lineup and the organizational support was truly impressive. We all learned a lot and enjoyed each others' company. Congratulations to the entire team!

We also accomplished some very important business at the Congress:

- adopted a new Constitution
- chose the venue for the next Congress
- approved a contract with Springer-Basel
- appointed new officers
- details are available on the Congress website www.iussi.org

Congress 2014

We will reconvene in Cairns, Australia in summer 2014. President Ben Oldroyd has already started the planning, and you will hear more from him and his committee in due time.

Publication of *Insectes Sociaux*

We have now finalized details for our new contract with Springer-Basel, and it is circulating for signature.

Money matters

The new publishing contract includes a profit-sharing provision that will bring substantial revenues to our Union, starting in 2011. We are therefore suspending capitation fees for 2011, and are in process of clarifying our status as a nonprofit entity.

The Financial Subcommittee of the International Committee was elected in Copenhagen to develop policies and oversee the financial affairs of our society. Members include Mike Breed (North American Section), Heikei Feldhaar (Central European Section) and Koos Boomsma (Northeast European Section).

Logo for the Union

The Program Committee for our recent Congress designed a stunning logo, and we are considering adopting it for the Union itself:



Let us know what you think of this design!

Please send any suggestions, comments, or gripes to herbers.4@osu.edu