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Darwin 200 Symposia

The *International Union of Biological Sciences* (IUBS)
and
The *United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization* (UNESCO)

are pleased to announce the 'Darwin 200' programme to celebrate
the 200th anniversary of Charles Darwin birthday in 2009

The aim of Darwin 200 will be to celebrate the impact of Darwin's ideas on
current scientific knowledge. The programme will be coordinated by Giorgio Bernardi,
Vice-President of IUBS. It will comprise a series of scientific symposia and satellite
meetings that will take place on five continents. The general themes, venues and
approximate dates of these Symposia are listed below:

Biological Education

Christchurch, New Zealand - February 12-16, 2009
(Convenors: John Jungck, USA & Peter Lockhart, New Zealand)

Basic Issues in Evolution

Venice, Italy - May 1-5, 2009
(Convenor: Giorgio Bernardi, Italy)

Biological Consequences of Global Change

Beijing, China – July 8-10, 2009
(Convenor: Zhang Zhibin, China)

150 Years of Darwin's Evolutionary Theory: a South American Celebration

Punta del Este, Maldonado, Uruguay – September 3-6, 2009
(Convenors: Fernando Alvarez-Valin, Enrique Lessa, Hector Romero, Uruguay)

Marine Genomics

Okinawa, Japan – October, 2009
(Convenors: Takashi Gojobori & Nori Satoh, Japan)

Biodiversity & Biological Resources

San José, Costa Rica – October, 2009
(Convenor: Gabriel Macaya, Costa Rica)

Human Evolution

Cape Town, South Africa – October 10-12, 2009
(Convenors: John Buckeridge, Australia & Lorna Holtman, South Africa)

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