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Announcement – First International Congress of Systematic and Evolutionary Biology

The Society of Systematic Zoology and the International Association for Plant Taxonomy have joined forces to develop this first opportunity for botanical/zoological interaction at the international level. The University of Colorado (Boulder, Colorado) has extended a gracious invitation to meet on that campus August 4-11, 1973. The diversity of ecological situations in the surrounding countryside makes this one of the most attractive sites in North America, both aesthetically and scientifically. The presence of experienced, enthusiastic biologists on that campus also provides an indispensable ingredient for the success of this Congress.

To begin the planning phase, two committees have been appointed by the sponsoring organizations, a Steering Committee and an International Advisory Committee. The following have been asked to serve on these bodies:

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International Committee

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(*Also member of Steering Committee.)

The Steering Committee will be the principal organizing group. The International Committee will provide valuable advice and guidance in the development of the Congress and it is recognized by the International Union of Biological Sciences as the special working group responsible for this event.

Program plans at this point encompass interdisciplinary symposia and contributed paper sessions. The botanists will not convene a nomenclatural section but a zoological one on this subject is anticipated. In the next few months the outline of the program and other activities will begin to take form. All suggestions will be gratefully received, carefully considered, and as many adopted as practical or feasible. Correspondence may be addressed to any member of the Steering Committee but preferably to the Secretary: Dr. James L. Reveal, Department of Botany, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20740.