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Do. /Thu. 12 st Gebäude/Building GEO Hörsaal/Lecture hall

BayCEER Kolloquium

Vortragsreihe Ökologie und Umweltforschung Lecture series in Ecology and Environmental Research

Donnerstag 29.01.2015, 12:00 Uhr, H6

Anschließend Postkolloquium mit Mittagsimbiss im Foyer H6

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Large vegetation-plot databases: new tools and perspectives for ecology and biodiversity research

Records of plant species composition in vegetation plots representing different habitats and vegetation types have been collected by botanists and phytosociologists for more than a century. High density of such records is available especially in western, central and southern Europe, but many of them have also been sampled in other parts of the world. Only recently large data sets from these plots were included in electronic databases. In Europe there is well over 2 million of such records already stored in electronic databases. We have recently integrated several national or regional databases of vegetation plots in a single international platform called European Vegetation Archive (EVA), which makes the data readily available for basic research in ecology, biogeography and applications in nature conservation and environmental monitoring.

In this talk I will provide a basic overview of data available in Europe and outline some possibilities of their use for inventorying diversity of European vegetation and flora, identifying endangered habitats, modeling the distribution of alien species, identifying

fine-scale patterns of species richness across large areas, and assessing vegetation change.

Die Vortragsreihe ist eine interdisziplinäre Plattform zur Information und Diskussion für Studierende, Forschende und Lehrende

Gäste sind herzlich willkommen

The lecture series serves as an inter-disciplinary platform for students, junior and senior scientists.

Guests are cordially invited!