

## FREE SESSION 5: ANT ECOLOGY, BEHAVIOR AND CONSERVATION

Bonito, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2012 (Tuesday)

**Chair: Paulo S. Oliveira (UNICAMP, Brazil)**

### TALKS (Room Kadiwéu 2, 11h00-12h30)

09h00-09h15 (FS05.OC.1) Why do *Pheidole oxyops* ants place feathers around their nests?  
*Inácio José de Melo Teles e Gomes*

09h15-09h30 (FS05.OC.2) Ant-preying dipteran larvae exploit a facultative mutualism between ants and *Qualea grandiflora* (Vochysiaceae). *Mayra Cadorin Vidal*

09h30-09h45 (FS05.OC.3) Vertical stratification of ant interactions within a Panamanian tropical forest canopy mosaic. *Sérvio Pontes Ribeiro*

09h45-10h00 (FS05.OC.4) The effect of different fire regimes on arboreal ant diversity in a Neotropical savanna. *Jonas Maravalhas*

10h00-10h15 (FS05.OC.5) Small-scale habitat fragmentation effects on litter-dwelling ants. *Lucas Navarro Paolucci*

10h15-10h30 (FS05.OC.6) How much are the protected riparian forest areas effective for ant biodiversity conservation? *Renata Bernardes Faria Campos*

### POSTERS (Karuha Space, 15h30-16h30)

FS05.P.01. Ant genera richness, abundance, and composition among different successional stages in a montane forest in Southeastern Brazil. *Alice Carvalho Leite*

FS05.P.02. The role of plant cover and density in an arboreal ant community of rupestrian field. *Antonio Cesar Medeiros de Queiroz*

FS05.P.03. Ant (Hymenoptera: Formicidae) fauna of Panga ecological station: richness, habitat preference and geographic distribution. *Ricardo Campos*

FS05.P.04. Immediate effects of interspecific competition on ant assemblages: an exclusion experiment of two dominant species contrasting Australia and Brazil. *Inácio José de Melo Teles e Gomes*

FS05.P.05. Canopy ant fauna along a natural succession gradient of tropical montane forest. *Renata Bernardes Faria Campos*

FS05.P.06. Correlates of ant species richness and composition in natural remnants of semideciduous forest in Central Brazil. *Flávio Camarota*

FS05.P.07. Initial responses of ant-fauna of montane forests to the passage of fire. *Diego Anjos Silva*

FS05.P.08. Elaiosome traits influence the diasporal removal by keystone mutualist ants in the Caatinga vegetation. *Laura Carolina Leal*

FS05.P.09. Interactions between ants and non-myrmecochorous fruits in species of *Miconia* (Melastomataceae) in a Neotropical savanna. *Fernando Silveira*

**FS05.P.10. Effect of environmental complexity on predation risk exerted by ants.** *Maria  
Luiza Bicalho Maia*