Hybrid workshop
November 22–25/26, 2021

Basic Collections Techniques

The training Basic Collections Techniques is an introductory module on care and management of natural history collections aimed at persons that have limited experience with collection work or those who wish to update their knowledge in this field.

This training will consist of three main types of content: a block on preventive conservation, a block on documentation, digitization and labelling and an introduction to collection types including aspects of dry and wet collections with their specific requirements.

This training will provide a brief insight into the most essential topics of basic collection care and management, including aspects of preservation and preventive conservation.

Shipping workshop:

The training Basic Collections Techniques is followed by an optional one-day training on shipping specimens internationally. This is an introduction to sending out collection objects in compliance with all legal and regulatory requirements. Basic Collections Techniques and Shipping Workshop can be combined to a whole week of training in Berlin or online.

Basic Collections Techniques Workshop at the Museum für Naturkunde, Berlin

all times are indicated in Central European Time (UTC+1)

Nov. 22, 2021  MONDAY
13:15 h  WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
Stefan Simon, Rathgen-Forschungsabor

13:30 h  PREVENTIVE CONSERVATION Climate and Light
Stefan Simon, Rathgen-Forschungsabor

15:00 h  PREVENTIVE CONSERVATION Disaster Preparedness
Peter Giere, MfN

16:00 h  Coffee Break

16:30 h  PREVENTIVE CONSERVATION VOCs and Detection
Alexandra Jeberien, HTW

OPTIONAL: TOUR
17:30 h  Disaster Preparedness

Nov. 23, 2021  TUESDAY
09:00 h  PREVENTIVE CONSERVATION Moving Collections
Vera Garvens, RGZM, Gina Eichmüller

10:30 h  Coffee break

11:00 h  PREVENTIVE CONSERVATION Integrated Pest Management
Bill Landsberger, Rathgen-Forschungsabor

12:30 h  Lunch Break

14:00 h  DRY COLLECTIONS Herbaria
Kordian Wosch, Senckenberg (Götting)

15:00 h  HEALTH AND SAFETY Biocides
Christiane Quaisser, Edda Ahel, MfN

16:00 h  Coffee Break

16:30 h  DOCUMENTATION AND DIGITIZATION Digitization
Frederik Berger, MfN

Nov. 24, 2021  WEDNESDAY
09:00 h  TOUR OF THE COLLECTION

10:30 h  Coffee break

11:00 h  DOCUMENTATION AND DIGITIZATION Labelling
Dirk Neumann, SNSB, Peter Giere, MfN

11:45 h  DRY COLLECTIONS Mineralogy
Ralf Thomas Schmidt, MfN

12:30 h  Lunch Break

14:00 h  DRY COLLECTIONS Paleontological Collections, Amber
Eva-Maria Sadowski, MfN

15:00 h  DOCUMENTATION AND DIGITIZATION Documentation
Martini Petersen, Fakko Glückler, Christian Bölling, MfN

16:30 h  Coffee Break

17:00 h  TOUR OF THE COLLECTION

Nov. 25, 2021  THURSDAY
09:00 h  DRY COLLECTIONS Skins and Bones
Steffen Bock, Peter Giere, MfN

10:30 h  Coffee break

11:00 h  DRY COLLECTIONS Entomological Collections
Volker Lohrmann, Überseemuseum Bremen

12:30 h  Lunch Break

14:00 h  WET COLLECTIONS Wet Collections I
John Simmons, Museologica

15:00 h  WET COLLECTIONS Wet Collections II
John Simmons, Museologica

16:00 h  Coffee Break

16:30 h  WET COLLECTIONS Wet Collections III
John Simmons, Museologica

Nov. 26, 2021  FRIDAY
08:50 h  WELCOME

09:00 h  SHIPPING WORKSHOP Legal requirements overview
Dirk Neumann, SNSB

09:30 h  SHIPPING WORKSHOP Veterinary legislation
Dirk Neumann, SNSB

10:00 h  SHIPPING WORKSHOP CITES and species protection
Peter Giere, MfN

10:30 h  Coffee break

11:00 h  SHIPPING WORKSHOP IATA regulations, IATA training
Dirk Neumann, SNSB

11:45 h  SHIPPING WORKSHOP Customs laws and regulation
Dirk Neumann, SNSB

12:30 h  Lunch Break

14:00 h  SHIPPING WORKSHOP Packing, Labelling and Shipping
Dirk Neumann, SNSB

15:00 h  SHIPPING WORKSHOP Nagoya Protocol, ABS
Peter Giere, MfN

16:00 h  Coffee Break

16:30 h  DISCUSSION

ABBREVIATIONS
HTW: University of Applied Sciences, Berlin
MfN: Museum für Naturkunde Berlin
RGZM: Römisch-Germanisches Zentralmuseum, Mainz
SMB: Staatliche Museen zu Berlin
SNSB: Bavarian Natural History Collections