

THE EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM «STEPPE OF NORTHERN EURASIA»

The First Information Letter

The Steppe Institute of the Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences (IS UB RAS) along with the other stakeholders holds the Eighth International Symposium on «**Steppes of Northern Eurasia**».

The Symposium will take place in **Orenburg from 9 to 13 September 2018**. Thematic sections, round tables, outdoor sessions and excursions will be organized. Before the symposium starts its materials shall be issued.

THE EIGHTH SYMPOSIUM THEMATIC AREAS:

1. Topical issues of steppe science. Natural, historical and cultural heritage of steppes.
2. Evolution, structure and anthropogenic transformation of Steppe Eurasia landscapes.
3. Landscape, biological and soil diversity of steppe regions.
4. Problems of agrarian steppe land use and of steppe landscape ecological rehabilitation.
5. Ecological hydrological water management aspects of nature use in the steppe zone.
6. Socio-economic and nature resource potential of steppe regions; economical geographical aspects of steppe nature use.
7. Steppe Eurasia: the development of the concept of transcontinental historical and geographical area as the megaregion embracing steppe zone in Europe and Asia, and adjacent steppe-forest transition zone and desert steppe zone.

The **Participants** should submit to the Organizing Committee **until February 1, 2018** via email the *completed registration form*.

REGISTRATION FORM

of a Participant of the Eighth International Symposium on Steppes of Northern Eurasia

Full First Name and Surname: _____
Academic Degree & Title, Position: _____
Place of Employment _____
Business Address (with zip-code): _____
Telephone: _____
Fax: _____
E-mail: _____
Report Title: _____
Co-Authors: _____
Thematic Area of Symposium: _____
Please define mandatory the format of your participation:
- Report at a plenary session
- Report at a thematic session or a round table session
- Publication of materials only
Suggestions on the round table subjects: _____
Date _____

The second information letter with specified dates and terms of participation shall be sent you based on the applications received after **February 20, 2018**.

We are waiting for the **materials submitted for publication** in the Collection of the Eighth International Symposium on «Steppes of Northern Eurasia» in e-mail steppeworld@gmail.com to **April 10 2018**.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MATERIALS SUBMITTED

The materials must *correspond to the main thematic sections of the symposium*.

The text should be submitted in Microsoft Word format, in **Times New Roman font, 12 point, 1.5 space, paragraph indentation 1 cm**, on the bond paper of A4 format (210x297 mm), left margin 30 mm, the others 20 mm each.

The paper should include UDC index, the abstract in English and in Russian (up to 400 characters each).

An example of correct preparation of the material to be submitted

<p>REPORT TITLE (in Russian and English)</p> <p>Scott Grimes¹, Heather Nerem² (in Russian and English) ¹ Name of Organization (in Russian and English) (Organization postal address, e-mail) (in Russian and English) ² Name of Organization (in Russian and English) (Organization postal address, e-mail) (in Russian and English)</p> <p>Abstract (in Russian and in English)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2 blank lines</p> <p>The text of the report (in English or Russian)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REFERENCE LIST</p>
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The text amount should be **up to 6 pages** including figures, tables, schemes that should be **numbered in sequential order**. For the body text, Times New Roman font should be used, no boldface, 12 point, the paragraph indentation 1 cm. Any punctuation marks should be typed together with the previous word and separated from the next word only with one space. Automatic hyphenation is not acceptable. Attention should be given to correct use of 'dash' and 'hyphen' marks. The multiplication mark should be true.

The figures and tables are placed across the text following the references to them. In addition, electronic version of each table and figure should be saved **into separate files in the original program format**.

All graphics (only in black-and-white) should be created in the programs Adobe Photoshop (up to 6 Version), Adobe Illustrator (up to 9 Version) and supplied separately as JPEG or TIFF files with resolution not less than 300 dpi.

References to the literature in the text should be indicated by numbers in square brackets – [3] and conform to those in the reference list.

The reference list should be placed at the end of the text; following one blank line, the capitals REFERENCE LIST are typed (with no font selection) and centered. Further, all the sources used should be listed alphabetically. Separate works of the same author are arranged in chronological sequential order. Only universally known abbreviations are acceptable. The reference list should obligatory include all the works cited in the body text.

References to grants and other funding sources are placed at the end of the article and selected with bold italic font.

All **materials to be published** in the volume for Eighth International Symposium on «Steppes of Northern Eurasia» should be sent to the email address: **steppeworld@gmail.com** until April 10, 2018.

Please specify the subject of the electronic letter as **The Eighth Symposium** and name the attached file by the surname of the first author and the number of thematic section, for example **Grimes_2**. Should you receive no confirmation for your submitted materials within 3 days please send them one more time.

The Organizational Committee retains its right to reject materials that do not meet the rules and main thematic sections stated above, with author notification.

The Materials are published in author's version; the authors are responsible for ensuring reliability of their data