BRITISH PHYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY: FEPS REPORT

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1.Federation of European Phycological Societies (FEPS) Website

In addition to the British Phycological Society, FEPS includes the national phycological societies (or phycological branches of national botanical societies) of: Spain, France, Belgium, Germany, Poland, Italy, Greece, Croatia and Macedonia.

For the FEPS website, including announcements of conferences, newsletters etc. see https://www.facebook.com/FEPSalgae/

A new database on invasive seaweeds in Europe is being developed on the website.

2. IPC7: the 7th International Phycological Congress, Zagreb, Croatia, 25-30 August, 2019.

A very successful congress was held, which included 432 participants from 48 countries. Student attendance accounted for 35% of the registrants. The largest student contingents were from South Korea and France.

3. Individual membership of FEPS.

The initiative introduced by the current FEPS President (Professor Cecilia Totti, Italy), to enable individuals in countries with no national phycological societies, to join FEPS on a personal basis, is attracting new members.

4. IPC8: the 8th International Phycological Congress, to be organised by FEPS, will be held in 2022 in Brest, France.

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