The symposium aims to be a regular retreat for PhD students in any ecological discipline. The symposium provides a great opportunity for students carrying out their thesis in a Catalan research centre to share and receive valuable feedback, on both their ecological work and presentation skills. The symposium will also be a space to network and socialize with other students and seniors.

A panel of three prominent ecologists will evaluate oral presentations in a relaxed and constructive atmosphere. These researchers will also give a plenary talk during the symposium. We are happy to announce Hanna Kokko (University of Zurich), Fernando Valladares (MNCN-CSIC, Madrid) and Rohan Arthur (Nature Conservation Foundation, India) as the evaluators and keynote speakers for this first edition.

A scientific committee will select a maximum of 12 oral presentations. The first best presentation will be awarded with the registration fee for attending an international ecological meeting to be held during 2020 in Europe (up to 400€). The second and third best presentations will also be awarded with vouchers for ecological books (up to 150€ each). Registration is free. All students and seniors should register to attend the symposium. CEAB will offer catering during coffee breaks and lunch, so it is important to know the number of attendants for optimal logistics.

Important dates
• 20 May: Start of abstract submission
• 15 July: Deadline for abstract submission
• 30 July: Deadline for registration
• 3-4 October: The ΣPhD symposium

For registration and more details, please check: http://www.theelab.net/the-ephd-symposium/