



FIELD COURSE IN EVOLUTIONARY ECOLOGY TO SICILY (ITALY)

Center for Biodiversity and Integrative Taxonomy (KomBioTa)



You want to study a community of milkweed bugs (Heteroptera: *Lygaeinae*) that sequester plant toxins from oleander, with a focus on their predator-prey relationships?

This field course in evolutionary ecology will lead you to Sicily, where you can learn how to study the bug community composition, how you conduct surveys of the predator community (birds, lizards, jumping spiders, ant lions, etc.), how you collect camera-based observations of predation events, and how you do predator-prey experiments in the field.

With the professional support of experienced experts, you will study the behavior, life and peculiarities of this species.

Join us! We look forward to seeing you.

Date: **Mon – Sun, August 28th – September 1st, 2024**

Location: **Sicily (Italy)
Francavilla di Sicilia**

Participants: B.Sc. & M.Sc. students

No. of participants: 12 maximum

Language: German/English

Registration: until June, 23rd via email to georg.petschenka@uni-hohenheim.de (name, degree program, semester)

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The costs can be financially supported. We expect an individual contribution of € 300 to € 500.