

Groupe d'Étude du Mérrou

2nd International Symposium on Groupers of the Mediterranean Sea

1st Announcement

From 10 to 13 May 2007
Nice (France)

The Dusky grouper, *Epinephelus marginatus* has always been a typical and representative fish of the Mediterranean Sea. It shares this sea with 7 other species of Epinephelinae and a Polyprionidae.

Since 1993, *E. marginatus* is partially protected by a 5 year renewable moratorium. The actual moratorium will expire on December 31st 2007.

The first symposium organised by the GEM has taken place on the island of Les Embiez in November 1998. It allowed a synthesis of the scientific knowledge connected with its biology and ecology.

The main purpose of this second symposium is to bring together the specialists of Mediterranean groupers whatever the specialty to summarize the state of the population in the Mediterranean Sea 14 years after the first moratorium.

Co-organised by the GEM, the University of Nice-Sophia Antipolis and the city of Nice, these events will take place in the prestigious scenery of the great greenhouse of Phoenix Park, Nice.

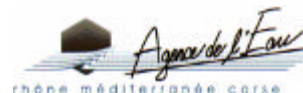


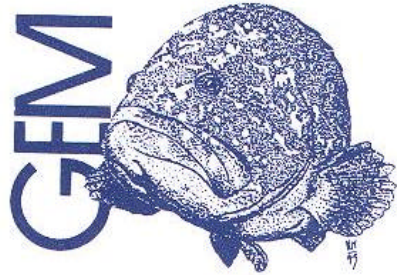
Themes

- **Biology** : reproduction, feeding, growth, aquaculture
- **Ecology** : effects of protection through the moratorium, population dynamics and genetics, distribution outside the Mediterranean Sea
- **Legislation** : status of the Groupers in the Mediterranean Sea
- **Economy** : economical value of the Groupers in the Mediterranean, Groupers and uses/activities of the coastal zone

Schedule

- 15/09/06 : 2nd announcement
- 15/11/06 : 3rd announcement and draft program
- 20/02/07 : Final receiving of abstracts
- 01/04/07 : dispatch of the final program





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Provisional Registration Form (to be sent by email)

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