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FRANCOIS VUILLEUMIER FUND 2009 AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT

The Committee for the Francois Vuilleumier Fund for Research on Neotropical Birds has awarded funding to two Latin American graduate students for their research on Neotropical birds. The committee offers congratulations to the two Francois Vuilleumier Fund awardees for 2008, including: **Rocío Sánchez** from Instituto de Ecología Regional (IER) - Universidad Nacional de Tucumán, Argentina for the project entitled: “Extra Pair Paternity in the Ringed Warbling-Finch (*Pooecetes graminea*): importance of female choice and spatial arrangement of males territories,” and **Paola Pulido-Santacruz** from Pontificia Universidade do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, for the project entitled: “Phylogeography in the Mouse-coloured Tapaculo (*Cytalopus speluncae* complex, Aves, Rhinocryptidae): assessing species limits and implication for conservation.”

I wish to offer congratulations to the two awardees and wish them well in their research as well as to offer thanks to the members of the FV Fund committee (Daniel Cadena, Philip Stouffer, Francisco Vilella) who assisted with the evaluations this year.

The Francois Vuilleumier Fund endowment should continue to grow, despite recent downturns in the economy, and we hope to offer more student support in the future. We therefore encourage more students to apply to the fund, which has an application deadline of 15 September of each year. Fund information and guidelines are available on the Neotropical Ornithological Society website (www.neotropicalornithology.org). Please help us circulate information about the fund to interested graduate students in Latin America and the Caribbean. Finally, I encourage all members to provide a donation to the fund when they renew their annual memberships. All donations, no matter how small are appreciated and will help the endowment to grow so that we can fund all worthy student applicants in the future.

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Primer anuncio para el

**IX CONGRESO DE ORNITOLOGÍA NEOTROPICAL Y
VIII CONGRESO NACIONAL DE ORNITOLOGÍA, CUSCO, PERÚ
(8–14 DE NOVIEMBRE, 2011)**

La Sociedad de Ornitología Neotropical (NOS) y la Unión de Ornitólogos del Perú (UNOP) se complacen en anunciar el IX Congreso de Ornitología Neotropical y VIII Congreso Nacional de Ornitología a realizarse en la ciudad del Cusco del 8–14 de Noviembre, 2011. El programa científico incluirá conferencias magistrales, simposia, presentaciones orales, paneles y mesas redondas. La directiva del congreso está conformada por Grace P. Servat, Secretaria General (grace.servat@gmail.com) y Constantino Auca, Jefe del Comité Local (caucca@ecoanperu.org), en cooperación con la Sociedad de Ornitología Neotropical y la Unión de Ornitólogos del Perú. Mayor información sobre el IX NOC y VIII CNO estará disponible próximamente en la página web de la Sociedad de Ornitología Neotropical (www.neotropicalornithology.org).

First announcement for the

**IXTH NEOTROPICAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS AND
VIIIITH NATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS, CUSCO,
PERU (NOVEMBER 8–14, 2011)**

The Neotropical Ornithological Society (NOS) and the Peruvian Ornithological Union (UNOP) are pleased to announce the IXth Neotropical Ornithological Congress and VIIIth National Ornithological Congress to be held in the city of Cusco, Peru (November 8–14, 2011). The scientific program will include plenary lectures, symposia sessions, oral and poster presentations, and round table discussions. The congress officers are: the Secretary General, Grace P. Servat (grace.servat@gmail.com) and the Chair of Local Committee, Constantino Auca (caucca@ecoanperu.org), in cooperation with the Neotropical Ornithological Society and the Peruvian Ornithological Union. Further information regarding the IXth NOC and VIIIth CNO will be announced in the web page of the Neotropical Ornithological Society (www.neotropicalornithology.org).