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The **Third Italian Conference of Ornithology** will be held in Salice Terme, Pavia, northern Italy, **3-6 October 1985**. It is being organized by the University of Pavia, Dipartimento di Biologia Animale; the Centro Italiano Studi Ornitologici; and Regione Lombardia, Assessorato Foreste, Caccia e Pesca. The Conference welcomes wide participation. The scientific program will consist of posters, symposia, round-table discussions (including—but not limited to—the avifauna of the Mediterranean area), and working groups. Suggestions and requests for information are welcome and should be directed to the Conference Secretary (**Segreteria III Convegno Italiano Ornitologia, Dipartimento di Biologia Animale, Piazza Botta 9, 27100 Pavia, Italy**) as soon as possible so that the final program of the Conference can be determined.

and sequence. While this may be a fertile area for further investigation, identification of the mechanism for nonrandom sex allocation may be required before the patterns so produced can be understood.

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The American Ornithologists' Union will hold its 103rd Stated Meeting at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona, 7-10 October 1985. All persons interested in the conservation and management of birds are encouraged to attend. In addition to general scientific paper sessions, symposia will be held on the biology and management of Bald Eagles, avian olfaction, and the importance of competition in structuring avian communities. A call for papers to the membership will appear in April, with deadlines for program space being 1 June 1985 for the general scientific programs. Anyone desiring more information should contact Dr. Robert D. Ohmart, Center for Environmental Studies, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona 85287.

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