



## European Primate Network

### Network Activity 4

Courses on General Primate Biology  
and Primate Husbandry, Nutrition and Handling

### German Primate Center

#### **EUPRIM-Net**

This project networks eight European primate centres and is aimed at advancing knowledge and competence in biological and biomedical research, animal keeping and breeding. The project objectives focus on animal welfare, the standardisation of procedures and methods as well as training for those working with primates.

#### **Courses on general primate biology**

Within EUPRIM-Net we offer a series of six courses of advanced and specialised training for scientist, students, animal caretakers and other staff involved in primate research.

The rational and ethical use of primates in basic and applied biological and biomedical research must be based on a sound knowledge of general primate biology.

Therefore, knowledge of morphological, physiological, behavioural and ecological characteristics of primates in general and of those primate species which are used in biological and biomedical research in particular is essential for planning and conducting studies and experiments. Furthermore, knowledge of husbandry, including keeping, nutrition, breeding, and handling is essential both for good scientific practice and for the sake of animal welfare.

Six courses will be held from April 2007 until April 2008 at the German Primate Center, each several days on a special topic of primatology. You can apply for each course separately.

### **Course Topics**

- 1<sup>st</sup> course: Primate diversity, morphology and natural history
- 2<sup>nd</sup> course: Primate social systems, reproduction, and breeding
- 3<sup>rd</sup> course: Primate behaviour, environmental enrichment; ethical and legal aspects of primate research
- 4<sup>th</sup> course: Primate diseases and health problems
- 5<sup>th</sup> course: Environmental enrichment, handling; ethical and legal aspects of primate research
- 6<sup>th</sup> course: Primate nutrition

### **Targeted Audience**

- Scientists and students new to primate research
- Experienced scientists involved in primate research who need to update and extend their knowledge of primate biology
- Veterinarians and animal caretakers working in primate centers, industry, zoological gardens or any other institution housing and working with primates
- Scientists and students from primate habitat countries

To find more information about EUPRIM-Net, the course series on general primate biology and registration details please visit

[www.euprim-net.eu](http://www.euprim-net.eu)

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