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Scope

This symposium will unite experts across a range of disciplines to explore how extreme heat affects plants and other ectothermic organisms that underpin ecosystem productivity.

With 2024 marking the hottest year on record and heatwaves now affecting over 10% of Earth's land, understanding and mitigating the effects of extreme heat is more urgent than ever. Join us in shaping strategies to extend the thermal limits of life and safeguard the future of our ecosystems.

Travel grant and selected speaker application deadline: 2 February 2026

Poster abstract deadline: 2 March 2026

Places are limited. Register early to secure your place. Full details at:

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