

# 18th meeting of the International Hamster Workgroup

14. – 17. October 2011 in Strasbourg

The prevention of the loss of biodiversity is one of the greatest challenges facing humanity. Although subject to protection plans in many European countries, the European Hamster (*Cricetus cricetus*, L.) is highly endangered. In France it is still present in Alsace where it is an emblematic species. The 18th meeting is organised by INCI, CNRS UPR 3212, University of Strasbourg. Our partners from different associations and administrations are helping us to make these 4 days an exciting event, showcasing the most recent scientific advances in fundamental and applied research on the European hamster and its protection. In a specific event, the results of the current Alsatian conservation plan will be presented.

## Topics:

- Physiology and behavior
- Biology and ecology
- Methods
- Population dynamics and evolution
- Agriculture and conservation management
- Socio-economic aspects of conservation
- What can we learn from other species ?

## Features:

- Presentation of the Alsatian protection plan
- Public lecture and excursion

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