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1. Introduction – who are you and what do you do?

I am a Doctor and Professor of biological sciences. The range of my scientific interests is wide and includes.

- Plant introduction, working in the botanical garden
- Studying the flora of southern Siberia and Kazakhstan
- Plant systematics: genera *Achillea* and *Artemisia*. I have described 20 species new to science
- Studying the restoration of vegetation cover on the dumps of coal mines

2. What does your organisation do?

The Kuzbass Botanical Garden is an academic institution, part of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences. The main range of issues studied are:

- Plant introduction
- Protection of plants in situ and ex situ
- Development of nature-like technologies of revegetation on the dumps of coal enterprises
- Study of distribution of alien plants on the territory of Siberia

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We interviewed in writing Andrei Kupriyanov, Kuzbass Botanical Garden, Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, who helped to organise the conference and was the main point of contact with *Web of Conferences*.

3. What is your conference programme?

The conference program provides for work in the following areas:

- Digital technologies for solving environmental problems
- Ex situ and in situ conservation of biological diversity
- New technologies for disturbed land remediation
- Invasive species and their role in vegetation cover

4. Which factors do you consider when choosing where to publish your proceedings?

The organization of the conference is a great effort as is the responsibility to colleagues for the quality of dissemination of their results and ideas in the world. Therefore, the choice of English-language placement of articles on the platform *Web of Conferences* is a very good idea.

5. Why did you choose *Web of Conferences* in particular?

Web of Conferences is the most popular among scientific organizations in Russia. It is a good combination of service, cost and quality. To my deep regret, all science has become obsessed with rating publications such as *Scopus* and *Web of Science*. Obviously, the globalization of science is inevitable.

Price – the price corresponds to the salary level of the average Russian scientist and this is very good.

Speed – very fast, I did not expect such a speed of your team's work.

Flexibility – I like that all questions can be discussed with you.

Open access – I think, this is the most important thing with the Publisher's reputation - your reputation is constantly growing among Russian institutions.

6. Can you describe the process that you went through with *Web of Conferences*?

The first is the great responsibility of the choice of published material. The second is the selection of responsible editors who are competent in the subject matter of the conference and speak good English. The third is the editing of submissions, correcting the editors' remarks.

We, for the first time, work with *Web of Conferences*, therefore, have made a lot of blunders in the work. But we have no complaints of our partners. Very quickly all materials were placed on the Internet. We have not yet had time to pay for *Web of Conferences*, and materials are already in the public domain!

7. How long did the process take?

No more than five days from the time the material was sent. That's super-fast!

8. What was your experience with *Web of Conferences*?

First experience with the *Web of Conferences* is positive.

Andrei Kupriyanov, "Problems of Industrial Botany of Industrially Developed Regions" 2021 Conference Editor

"There are global problems: the conservation of biodiversity, the spread of invasive species, and the restoration of disturbed lands. And the discussion of these problems by scientists should be conducted at the widest possible level. Therefore, if financially possible, we will use the *Web of Conferences* platform to discuss the results of our work."

9. Would you use the *Web of Conferences* service again? Would you like to add anything else?

I would like to hope that for us the *Web of Conferences* can become a platform for discussing issues related to the spread of invasive plants and the conservation of biodiversity. The quality of research by Russian scientists is quite high, but the citation of research is low, this is due to the insufficient availability of publications in English. The use of the *Web of Conferences* mechanism will increase the sociability of Russian scientists.

I hope that our organization will work with your team and we will recommend positive experience of working with your team to other organizations.

Read the proceedings

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