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Keynote Speaker, Session #4



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Evolution of unusual life histories of Torymidae (Chalcidoidea)

Dr. Petr Janšta completed his PhD at the Charles University, Faculty of Science (Prague, Czech Republic). In 2019 he was awarded a Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program at University of California, Riverside in Prof. Heraty's lab, followed by a postdoc at Department of Entomology, State Museum of Natural History, Stuttgart, Germany in the team of Prof. Lars Krogmann. He is currently on permanent position as an assistant professor at Charles University in Prague. His research focuses on taxonomy, phylogeny and evolution of various groups of Chalcidoidea, especially those associated with galls (mostly Megastigmidae and Torymidae). He and his research team are exploring the role of morphological and functional adaptations on diversification of parasitoids. Recently he has broadened the scope of his team to include population genomics and coevolution of Darwin wasps and their hymenopteran parasitoids.