Dear colleagues,

DIBEST (Dipartimento di Biologia, Ecologia e Scienze della Terra – University of Calabria), G.R.I.S. (Gruppo Italiano Ricercatori Squali, Razze e Chimere) and C.S.S. (Centro Studi Squali) are really excited to organize the XXIII European Elasmobranch Association Meeting, which will take place in Rende (Italy) from the 16th to the 18th of October 2019. We aim at creating a great forum where scientists, conservationists, students and all those interested in elasmobranchs will share the results of their most exciting researches, look for synergies and find new collaborations. During the conference, four plenary lectures, scientific sessions (orals and posters) and various workshops will take place. The abovementioned sessions will deal with diverse topics, from evolutionary biology to ethology, from morphology to physiology, ecology and conservation. The conference will also include the ordinary general meeting of the E.E.A. (European Elasmobranch Association), multiple social activities, and the opportunity of exciting field underwater excursions. English will be the official conference language.

During the coming weeks, participants will find out all the details about registration and related activities on the meeting’s website (www.dibest.unical.it/eea2019) and on the Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/eea2019meeting/). Provisional Key dates:

- Second circular and opening registrations: 15th February 2019
- End of reduced registration fees: 15th May 2019
- Submission of abstracts: 15th June 2019
- Communication of acceptance: Before August 30th.

We look forward to see you all in Rende!

The Organizing Committee