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## **SESSION N° 5**

SESSION TITLE				CONVENORS
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## **SUMMARY**

Understanding the foraminiferal biogeography, dispersal mechanisms and evolution is central to their use in biostratigraphy and has long been a goal of foraminiferal studies. The increasing molecular studies of modern foraminifera in recent years has opened up a new understanding of biogeographic and evolutionary relationships that is starting to test previous hypotheses based on morphological studies. Foraminifera have one of the most complete fossil records of any biotic group and as such they are ideally placed to bring together the evidence from both the morphologically-based fossil studies and molecularly-based modern studies. Contributions are invited on any aspect of foraminiferal biogeography and evolution.