## 16. Introduced and invasive mammals in Europe: patterns and processes

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Anthropogenic introductions of mammals in Europe started more than 11,000 years ago. Such ancient human-mediated events have significantly shaped patterns of biodiversity during the Holocene, whereas more recent introductions have led to the establishment of invasive species with deleterious impacts on European habitats and economy. This thematic session will explore (i) the patterns that characterize the introductions of mammals in Europe, (ii) the processes involved in their establishment and spread, and (iii) the interaction of introduced and invasive species with the native, European mammalian fauna.