Being a young researcher in Slovenia

A Dutch perspective

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Why Slovenia?

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## Differences in PhD study between Slovenia and the Netherlands

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Slovene language

Ehm....

Bla, bla,...

2006

2011
PhD: Vibrational communication
Results

- Males are more responsive with more females.
- Louder females are better recognized in noisy environment.
- Alternating females compromise the species-specific signals in vibrational communication.
- Searching strategy depends on the mating strategy.

Effects of heterospecific and conspecific vibrational signal overlap and signal-to-noise ratio on male responsiveness in *Nezara viridula* (L.)

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Other activities

Social activities

1. SLOVENSKI ENTOMOLOŠKI SIMPOZIJ
   Knjiga povzetkov
   Ljubljana
   4. in 5. november 2006

Organising meetings

Congresses

Other projects
Experiences

- Good research
- Nice colleagues
- Good environment for experiments
- Opportunities for other experiences

Then  yes  Now
Thanks you for your attention!

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