

EcoExplorers

NUI Galway is launching **Eco EXPLORERS**, a new science outreach program aimed at Primary and Secondary Schools throughout Ireland. It aims to deliver training sessions in the fields of ecology and biology to both pupils and teachers of Primary and Secondary educational institutions across Ireland. This includes an introduction to biodiversity through live exotic animal and exotic plant displays, classroom introduction to evolutionary biology, ecology field courses, botany / zoology field courses and genetics lab-based activities. These activities will take place directly at the schools, on the field, and occasionally on the NUIG campus.

Eco EXPLORERS is a non-profit venture. However, there is a small fee to cover the cost of the lecturing and the material used during the course.

To celebrate the launch of Eco EXPLORERS, NUI Galway and Michel Dugon will offer 5 half-day school activities to 5 lucky Primary and Secondary schools.

How to register?

- 1) Please visit: <http://www.nuigalway.ie/bughunters>
- 2) Click on **Eco EXPLORERS**.
- 3) Fill up the form at the end of the page, and it will directly reach my mailbox!

The 5 "lucky" schools will be drawn from a hat on the Sunday 24th of November at NUIG as part of the final day of The Galway Science and Technology Festival.

Michel is available from the 11th until the 24th of November 2013 as part of the Galway Science and Technology Festival (registration at: www.galwayscience.ie/bug-doctor-new-to-2013)

Curious to know more, have a look at my TV program **Bug Hunters (RTE2 9.05am daily / RTEJr 4.05pm daily or on RTE player :<http://www.rte.ie/player/ie/show/10215469/>)**.

If you have questions, feel free to email Michel michel.dugon@nuigalway.ie