



**“An oyster leads a dreadful but exciting life, full of stress, passion and danger!”**

**Professor Brian Bayne confirmed as speaker at the 7<sup>th</sup> International Oyster Symposium**

The IOS7 programme committee is delighted to announce that Professor Brian Bayne will be giving a lecture at the 7<sup>th</sup> International Oyster Symposium. His talk will be at 5pm on Weds 13<sup>th</sup> September at the Pontio Arts and Innovation Centre, in Bangor, Gwynedd, UK, where he will discuss the role of 'organismal biology' (physiological ecology) in two aspects of marine biology: ecological models and experimental genomics. The talk is titled “A dreadful but exciting life, full of stress, passion and danger” which is a quote taken from the book ‘Consider the Oyster’ by preeminent, American food writer MFK Fisher. The lecture is being facilitated by Bangor University as the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Dennis Crisp Memorial Lecture in Marine Sciences, which is being specially scheduled to take advantage of the International Oyster Symposium and Professor Bayne’s lifetime contribution to our understanding of marine molluscs.

To register for the Oyster Symposium please follow [this link](#). And don’t delay if you want to beat the early-bird deadline of July 30<sup>th</sup>. Following on from Professor Bayne’s talk, conference attendees and members of the public are invited to attend an ‘Oyster Celebration’: a special culinary event in which delegates can enjoy a range of cooked oysters. In many parts of the world the tradition is to enjoy oysters raw. While this is of course delicious it is not for everyone, so as part of this conference the focus will be shifted to cooked oysters. Tickets for the Oyster Celebration are available via [this link](#).

### **More about Prof. Brian Bayne**

Brian Bayne’s research over 50 years has encompassed physiological ecology and the energetics of marine bivalves, with an emphasis on mussels and oysters. He has made contributions to larval ecology, the physiology of feeding, nutrition, growth and reproduction, and the significance of genetic variability.

During his career as a marine biologist with the UK Natural Environment Research Council he served as the Director of the Institute for Marine Environmental Research and the Plymouth Marine Laboratory, and was the first Director of the Centre for Coastal and Marine Sciences. He gained his PhD at the Marine Science Laboratory at Bangor University and held post-doctoral appointments at the Universities of Copenhagen and Sao Paulo, and the Fisheries Research Laboratory at Conwy, North Wales. He was a Lecturer at the University of Leicester and held Research Professorships at

the University of California and the University of Sydney and in 1998 he was appointed an OBE. In 1996 he published a monograph on mussels, and in 2017 a monograph on the Biology of Oysters.

#### **More About Prof. Dennis Crisp**

**DENNIS CRISP** (1916-1990) was a zoologist with predilection for physics and chemistry, which disciplines he brought to bear on the physiology and ecology of marine invertebrates. He became one of Britain's best-known marine biologists and developed a school that has had a worldwide influence. Bangor University and the School of Ocean Sciences is proud to present this memorial lecture, a series which sees the diaspora of Dennis' PhD students return to their alma mater to present on topics that were influenced and inspired by Professor Crisp.