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Revising the Generic Limits of *Coleus* and *Plectranthus*
(Lamiaceae, Tribe Ocimeae)

Speaker: Dr Alan Paton

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, U.K.

Date: 12 March 2021; Time: 2.30 pm

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Dr Alan Paton is Head of Science Collections at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. He is responsible for the management and development of the 8.5 million science collections held at Kew Herbarium, Fungarium, Spirit Collection, Economic Botany Collection, the Seed Collections, DNA and Tissue Bank, micromorphological slide collections and related digital collections. He oversees collection management policies and procedures to ensure that the collections are well curated and accessible to support research into key questions in plant and fungal science.

He continues to conduct research into the plant family Lamiaceae, focusing on tropical African and Asian groups during which he has supervised a number of postgraduate students. His research concentrates on the systematics of Old World Tropical Lamiaceae, particularly Tribe Ocimeae containing basil (*Ocimum*), *Coleus* and *Plectranthus*. Recent focus has been on resolving the phylogeny and nomenclature of the *Coleus/Plectranthus* (subtribe Plectranthinae) clade and preparing a manuscript of the Lamiaceae for Thailand (287 species). In addition to plant systematics research, he has published multidisciplinary studies relating to phytochemistry, plant use,

conservation assessment, biodiversity informatics and monitoring international policy targets. He has also previously managed large data resources such as the International Plant Names Index, World Checklist of Selected Plant Families, The Plant List, and the Herbarium Catalogue. These resources together have 3.5 million visits annually by 1.8 million unique users annually.



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Note: All participants are requested to join 20 minutes before the scheduled time