



Fig. 1. *Scolia ruficornis* from Silhouette island (A) and Madagascar (B). Scale 10mm

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## NOTES

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### First record of the family Chrysididae (Insecta: Hymenoptera) from Seychelles

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In the Malagasy Subregion the family Chrysididae is represented by about 40 species. 37 species have been recorded from Madagascar, three from the Comores (Grande Comore, Anjouan, Moheli, Mayotte) and two each from Réunion, Mauritius and Rodrigues. The *Chrysis lincea* group is easily recognized by the metanotal mucro and extraordinary mesopleural projection (Kimsey 1994). It comprises three species: *C. gheudei* Guérin-Méneville, 1842 (Madagascar) and *C. laevicollis* Buysson, 1898 (Philippines) are endemic species; the third species, *C. lincea* Fabricius, 1775, is widely distributed in the southern Palaearctic, Ethiopian, Oriental and Australian regions. Mud-nesting *Sceliphron* (Sphecidae) species are known as hosts. In Seychelles *S. fuscum* Klug, 1801 could be a possible host.

#### ***Chrysis lincea* Fabricius, 1775**

Material: Silhouette: La Passe 3 females 6.iv.2003 leg. Gerlach; 2 females 16-22.v.2003 leg. Madl.

In the Malagasy Subregion recorded from the Comoros (Grande Comore, Anjouan, Mayotte).

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