IOBC-WPRS Meeting of the Working Group

“Integrated Protection in Viticulture”

5-8 November 2019
Vila Real, Portugal

First announcement
Welcome note

Plant protection in viticulture is matter of discussion due to the undesirable effects of pesticide use on human health and the environment. EU has launched various measures to reduce negative impacts of intensive management practices and to promote the transition towards more ecologically-based pest management methods. Research in this field is producing excellent results but their translation into the practice is still challenging.

We are pleased to invite you to the Conference of the IOBC/WPRS Working Group that will take place at Vila Real, Portugal. This international conference (5 – 8 November 2019) aims to bring together scientists, researchers, students and consultants working on biological control and integrated protection in viticulture. This conference offers opportunities to share ideas and to discuss current research findings. Promising areas for future research will be identified. The Symposium will be organised under the auspices of the International Organisation for Biological and Integrated Control (IOBC) by the Associação para o Desenvolvimento da Viticultura Duriense (ADVID).

We invite participants to attend this conference and to present their latest research results.

We look forward to seeing you in Vila Real,

Sincerely,

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Proposed Topics

1. Advances in knowledge and new solutions against diseases
   a) Pathogens - plant interactions
   b) Resistant varieties: strengths and weakness
   c) Inducing resistance through chemical or agro-technical means
   d) Pathogens – arthropods relationships

2. New strategies in arthropod pest control
   a) Conservation biological control in viticulture
   b) Bio-ecology and management of invasive pests in viticulture
   c) Disruption in communication and pest control

3. Sustainable management of soil and weeds
   a) Alternatives to herbicides
   b) Soil management strategies: implications for pest control

4. IPM implementation and tools for sustainable viticulture
   a) New technologies and products aimed at reducing pesticide use
   b) Organic viticulture: opportunities and limitations

Preliminary program

Tuesday, 5th November - Accommodation in the hotel and evening-welcome

Wednesday, 6th November - morning registration, morning + afternoon sessions with presentations and posters, cocktail

Thursday, 7th November - morning + afternoon sessions with presentations and posters and gala dinner

Friday, 8th November - morning sessions with presentations and congress Tour
Venue

Situated at the foothills of the majestic slopes of Serra do Marão, Vila Real is a small and lively city in north-eastern Portugal. Founded by King Dinis in 1289, Vila Real played an important role in the history of Portugal. It was the birthplace of Diogo Cão, the first explorer to reach the Congo river.

Vila Real is an ideal base for exploring the Douro river valley and following the famous vineyards planted in terraces along steep riverbanks. There has been evidence of wine production for more than two thousand years in the region, but it was only in 1756 that the Demarcated Douro Region was created and Port wine production in the region was organized and became internationally recognized. It was the first region in the world to be demarcated and it is a land where traditions and modernity go together. This long tradition of viticulture has produced a cultural landscape of outstanding beauty, that justifies the inscription of Alto Douro Wine Region as World heritage by UNESCO.

Besides the Port wine, experts the world over recognize that the Douro region also offers ideal conditions for making fortified wines of the highest quality, both red and white. Stunning landscapes that yield produce and wines of excellence, a unique cuisine rich in homemade products, a history that makes you dream of days gone by and a warm welcome that makes you want to return, are some of the reasons why you should visit the Douro.
Important dates

Deadline for submission of abstracts and registration form: **30th June 2019**

Deadline of payment of registration fee at ‘early rate’: **30th April 2019**

Registration & Fees

Registration via the conference website (available soon) is required to attend all the scientific sessions and social events. Please note that only fully registered participants will be admitted to the scientific sessions. A personalized confirmation e-mail will be sent to each participant once the payment of the registration fee has been received either through the online system or in the Conference’s bank account.

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* The fee includes IOBC-WPRS membership for one year

# A certificate confirming student status is required to be submitted as a scanned copy to the Secretariat office of the conference

Full registration fee includes:

- Welcome reception event/cocktail
- Gala dinner
- Official conference program, book of abstracts and participant’s package
- All lunches, cocktails and mid-session coffee breaks
- Congress Tour
- Free shuttle bus between the hotel to Conference Centre
Accommodation

You can now arrange your accommodation! Note that the conference organization will not make hotel reservations for you. To guarantee your room you must book the reservation until May 2019, using the reference: Evento IOBC, by email to reservas@hotelmiracorgo.com

You can find hotel information in the following web page: www.hotelmiracorgo.com

Prices*

Single room, per night, including breakfast: 54.00 €

Double room, per night, including breakfast: 73.80 €

* Values with VAT at the legal rate.