International Organisation for Biological and integrated Control

IOBC

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IOBC mission and objectives

• IOBC promotes research, development and implementation of biological control and integrated pest management (IPM) of pests and diseases in agricultural crops and forests

• IOBC is focused on sustainable control methods
  - environmentally safe
  - economically feasible
  - socially acceptable
IOBC mission and objectives

• IOBC is a non-profit, scientific organization of individual and institutional members working with biological control, IPM and Integrated Production (IP)

• IOBC provides independent, professional advice on biological control, IPM and IP to policy makers, governments, advisory services and farmers

• IOBC raises public awareness of the economic and social importance of biological control, IPM and IP
IOBC mission and objectives

• IOBC promotes international cooperation in research and development of biological control and IPM/IP through
  - international working groups and commissions on specific biocontrol and IPM topics
  - organisation of conferences, meetings and symposia
  - facilitation of training in biocontrol and IPM
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• IOBC assists in the communication among biological control and IPM workers through
  - dissemination of IOBC Books, Newsletters and Bulletins
  - online news (job offers, upcoming meetings, new Bulletins) on the website
  - publication of BioControl International, peer reviewed journal for basic and applied research on biological control of invertebrate, vertebrate and weed pests and plant diseases published by Springer, current impact factor: 2.215
IOBC organisation

IOBC-Global

Global Working Groups

6 Regional Sections

Nearctic Regional Section

East Palearctic Regional Section

West Palearctic Regional Section

Afrotropical Regional Section

Neotropical Regional Section

Asia and Pacific Regional Section
20 Working Groups

• **Crop-focused**: Citrus, olives, viticulture, fruit crops, oilseed crops, field vegetables, protected crops, oak forests

• **Pest-focused**: Mite pests, plant pathogens, stored product pests

• **Method-focused**: Plant resistance, GMO’s in IPM, landscape management, pheromones and other semio-chemicals, pesticides and beneficials, multitrophic interactions in soil, insect pathogens and entomoparasitic nematodes
5 Commissions (small expert groups)

- Publications
- Identification of entomophagous insects and insect pathogens
- Guidelines for Integrated Production
- Harmonized regulation of biocontrol agents
- IP and Biocontrol in North-African countries
Why become a member?

• Access to the worldwide network of biocontrol and IPM collaboration of IOBC

• Support the objectives, commissions and other activities of IOBC-WPRS

• Free online access to IOBC-WPRS Bulletins and other publications

• Reduced registration fees for IOBC-WPRS meetings

• Reduced subscription fee for BioControl

IOBC-WPRS offers the ideal platform and network for your research and its implementation!
How to become a member?

• Employment at an institution holding an “institutional” or “supporting” membership

• Joining IOBC-WPRS by “individual” membership - online registration and payment

• Activate your membership after attending a meeting

iobc-wprs.org under Membership or
ask the Convenor or Liaison Officer for more information
Thank you for your attention and join IOBC-WPRS now!

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