



WPRS *International Organisation for Biological and Integrated Control of Noxious
Animals and Plants: West Palaearctic Regional Section*

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Plantes Nuisibles: Section Régionale Ouest Paléarctique*

IOBC Working Group "Integrated Plant Protection in Fruit Crops"
Sub Group "Soft Fruits"

**9th International IOBC-WPRS Workshop on Integrated Plant
Protection of soft fruits**

5–7 September 2018
Riga, Latvia

First announcement

On behalf of the IOBC-WPRS WG “IPP Fruit Crops” Subgroup Soft Fruits, you are cordially invited to the forthcoming workshop that will take place from 5th to 7th of September 2018 in Riga, Latvia.

The aim of the meeting is to bring together the latest advances in research on the integrated control of pests, diseases and weeds of soft fruits, provide an opportunity for exchange information and ideas and stimulate joint research and collaboration.

Please, fill out the enclosed **registration form** and send it to arturs.stalazs@llu.lv.

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Proposed topics

- Biology of pests and diseases
- Diagnostic tools for pests and diseases
- Monitoring and forecasting of pests and diseases
- Plant resistance and cultivars suitable for integrated and organic farming
- Post-harvest and storage diseases
- Certification and health of propagation stock
- Management of diseases, pests and weeds (biocontrol, chemical, alternative, physical, sanitation)
- Practical implementation of IPM in soft fruits

Preliminary programme

Dates	Programme
Tuesday, 4 September 2018	Arrival and accommodation in the hotel
Wednesday, 5 September 2018	Morning registration, opening, sessions with presentations, workshop dinner
Thursday, 6 September 2018	Sessions with presentations and poster session
Friday, 7 September 2018	Workshop technical excursion (visit to sea buckthorn and cranberry growing farms)

Further information

Official language

English is the official language of the workshop.

Venue

Event will be held in Riga city, Latvia. Detailed address information will be announced in the Second announcement.

Participation fee (calculated in EUR)

Category	Early registration	Late registration
<i>IOBC-WPRS-wprs Member reduction*</i>	350	400
<i>Non-IOBC-WPRS-wprs Member</i>	470	520
<i>Participating student**</i>	270	320

*IOBC-WPRS membership number is compulsory for registration

**Official university letter confirming the full-time student status required

Accommodation

Further details on accommodation possibilities in Riga city will be available in the second announcement.

Travel

By bus for European participants — International Bus Station is situated in Riga centre, and is close to many hotels which can be reached by walking or by public transport, if hotels not close to city centre.

By airplane — Riga International Airport is situated 13 km from centre of Riga city. Website of the airport: <http://www.riga-airport.com/en/main/main>.

Travel from Airport to centre of Riga city — for travelling from airport to Riga regular public bus traffic (city bus line number 22), several private bus lines and taxi services are available. For use of city transport lines, the special tickets should be obtained at news-stalls situated in airport building. City transport tickets are available for particular number of drives, and, when you are inside transport, for each drive activation of ticket is necessary. There is also possibility to buy (by cash) the ticket at bus driver, but then ticket price is higher. More information on city transport lines is available at *Rīgas Satiksme* website <https://www.rigassatiksme.lv/en/>.

Important dates

Second announcement	5 February 2018
Closing date for early-bird registration and payment of registration fee	5 March 2018
Closing date for submission of abstracts	5 June 2018
Late registration and payment of registration fee	5 July 2018
Submission of manuscript for the IOBC-WPRS Bulletin	1 December 2018
Final programme and other information	14 August 2018

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