

IOBC-WPRS Working Group "Integrated Plant Protection in Fruit Crops"

Sub Group "Pome Fruit Diseases" 12th International IOBC/WPRS Workshop on Pome Fruit Diseases

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15-18 June 2020

Plovdiv, Bulgaria

Third Announcement

On behalf of the IOBC/WPRS Working group "Integrated Plant Protection in Fruit Crops" Sub Group "Pome Fruit Diseases", you are cordially invited to the forthcoming **12th International IOBC/WPRS Workshop on Pome Fruit Diseases** that will take place from 15 to 18 June 2020 in Plovdiv, Bulgaria.

The workshop takes place every 3 years and aims to bring together the latest advances in research of pome fruit diseases, to provide an opportunity for exchange of information and ideas and to stimulate common research and collaboration.

The workshop program includes oral and poster sessions, plenary discussions, a meeting with growers and advisors and a one-day excursion.

Proposed topics

- Diagnostic tools
- Pathogen biology and epidemiology
- Monitoring and forecasting infection risks
- Host-plant resistance and biodiversity
- Control methods (biocontrol, chemical, alternative, physical, sanitation)
- Spray quality and disease control
- Canker diseases
- Postharvest diseases
- Soil borne diseases
- Replant disease

The official website is <http://iobc-plovdiv2020.com/>

Special attention will be given to poster presentations in plenary discussions during the meeting. There will be a special symposium on sustainable disease management where growers and advisors from Bulgaria and neighboring countries will be invited to attend.

Prior to the 12th International IOBC-WPRS Workshop on Pome Fruit Diseases, a 1-day meeting (Sunday 14 June) will be organized by the "Lenticel rot group". This is an open discussion group with the main goal to discuss the latest research results related to storage diseases. For details, please

contact Michel Giraud, e-mail: Giraud@ctifl.fr. The program of that meeting will be available in the website of the 12th International IOBC-WPRS Workshop on Pome Fruit Diseases.

Preliminary Program

Sunday, 14 June 2020	Meeting of the Lenticel rot group. Arrival and check-in at the hotel. Evening registration. Welcome evening.
Monday, 15 June 2020	Morning registration for the Workshop, opening. Scheduled oral and poster presentations. Meeting with the industry in the afternoon.
Tuesday, 16 June 2020	Scheduled oral and poster presentations. Late afternoon: visit to Plovdiv Old Town, Roman Amphitheatre and City Center. Dinner.
Wednesday, 17 June 2020	Full day excursion to apple and pear orchards. Visit of a rose oil distillery, the valley of the Thracian Kings and tombs near Kazanlak.
Thursday, 18 June 2020	Scheduled oral and poster presentations. Workshop dinner.
Friday, 19 June 2020 (Optional!!)	Outside the formal program - excursion to the Medieval Capital city of Bulgaria, Veliko Tarnovo. Visit to Tsarevets Fortress, Old Town and market. There is no limit on the number of participants. Just another night in the hotel in Plovdiv must be booked, and preliminary confirmation is needed.

Language

The official language is English.

Abstracts

Abstracts must be sent to the local convenor Zvezdomir Jelev (zvezdomir_au@abv.bg) by 30 March 2020. Abstracts will be reviewed for acceptance by the scientific committee, and authors will be notified by 21 April 2020 whether their abstract has been accepted. Submitted abstracts will be printed in the book of abstracts handed out to participants during the meeting.

Presentations

Authors may express their choice of oral or poster presentation; however, the scientific committee may invite the authors to change this choice.

Publications in IOBC-WPRS Bulletin

The authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to prepare and submit online a full manuscript or a two-page extended abstract, three months after the workshop (15 September 2020). After editing, the manuscripts or extended abstracts will be published in an IOBC-WPRS Bulletin. Delegates who are not members of IOBC-WPRS will have one year membership of IOBC from time of registration. The proceedings published in the IOBC-WPRS Bulletin will be available online only for IOBC-WPRS members. Instructions to authors for the Bulletin manuscripts are available on the IOBC-WPRS website at http://www.iobc-wprs.org/pub/instruction_authors.html.

Registration

All participants must complete the online registration form on the website <http://iobc-plovdiv2020.com/>. Delegates having submitted an abstract for an oral or poster presentation must register before 30 March 2020 for their abstract to be included in the final program and abstract booklet. The registration fee covers all sessions, workshop materials, IOBC-WPRS Bulletin (e-bulletin), welcome evening, coffee breaks, lunches, social activities, excursions and the workshop dinner.

All rates are in euro (EUR).

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FEES	EARLY REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT (Before 30 March 2020)	LATE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT (After 30 March 2020 and before 30 May 2020)
IOBC-WPRS Member *IOBC-WPRS membership number is compulsory for registration	350	390
Non IOBC-WPRS Member	450	500
Participating Student *Official university letter confirming the full-time student status required	150	150

Fees for extra program

1-day meeting in the lenticel rot group, Sunday 14 June: 40 Euro
Spouse excursions, 14, 16, and 18 June (lunches not included): 100 Euro
Post conference excursion, Friday 19 June: 90 Euro (60 Euro for students)

Important Dates

Second announcement, call for papers and posters	15 January 2020
Closing date for submission of abstracts	30 March 2020
Closing date for early registration	30 March 2020
Closing date for late registration	30 May 2020
Submission of manuscript for IOBC-WPRS Bulletin	15 September 2020

Venue

The meeting will be held at Agricultural University-Plovdiv (<https://www.au-plovdiv.bg/en/>) in Plovdiv (<http://www.visitplovdiv.com/en/how-to-get-to-plovdiv>). Address: 12 Mendelev blvd., Plovdiv 4000, Bulgaria.

A number of rooms are reserved at Park Hotel Plovdiv (<https://www.parkhotelplovdiv.com/en>) for the meeting participants. The hotel is within 5 min walk to the workshop venue and at a place with convenient city transport connections. There are discounts for workshop participants and the prices per night including breakfast, internet, parking and all fees are:

Single room White Edition: 40 EUR
Double room White Edition: 52 EUR
Standard single room: 35 EUR
Standard double room: 45 EUR

Spouse activities

Separate activities/excursions will be organized for spouses during the workshop.



Monday 15 June: A walk in the city center of Plovdiv

The total fee for the spouse excursions 15, 16 and 18 June will be **100 Euro**; lunches are not included.

For no extra charge, spouses are welcome to participate in the visit to Plovdiv Old Town and the Roman Amphitheatre Tuesday 16 June, the workshop excursion Wednesday 17 June and the farewell dinner Thursday 18 June.



Tuesday 16 June: One day trip to Koprivtitsa
<http://www.koprivshitzta.com/museums.php>



Thursday 18 June: Half day trip to Bachkovo Monastery near Plovdiv
www.bulgariamonasteries.com/en/bachkovo_monastery.html

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