

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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13-16 June 2022

Plovdiv, Bulgaria

First 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 13 to 16 June 2022 in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. The workshop was scheduled for June 2020; however, due to the pandemic the workshop has been postponed by two years.

We aim 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.

Preliminary Program

Sunday, 12 June 2022	Arrival and check-in at the hotel. Evening registration. Welcome evening.
Monday, 13 June 2022	Morning registration for the Workshop, opening. Scheduled oral and poster presentations. Meeting with the industry in the afternoon.
Tuesday, 14 June 2022	Scheduled oral and poster presentations. Late afternoon: visit to Plovdiv Old Town, Roman Amphitheatre and City Center. Dinner.
Wednesday, 15 June 2022	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, 16 June 2022	Scheduled oral and poster presentations. Workshop dinner.
Friday, 17 June 2022 (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 2022. Abstracts will be reviewed for acceptance by the scientific committee, and authors will be notified by 21 April 2022 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

Three months after the workshop (15 September 2022), the authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to prepare and submit online a full manuscript or a two-page extended abstract.

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 2022 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 2022)	LATE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT (After 30 March 2020 and before 30 May 2022)
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 12 June: 40 Euro
 Spouse excursions, 13, 14, and 16 June (lunches not included): 100 Euro
 Post conference excursion, Friday 17 June: 90 Euro (60 Euro for students)

Important Dates

Second announcement, call for papers and posters	15 January 2022
Closing date for submission of abstracts	30 March 2022
Closing date for early registration	30 March 2022
Closing date for late registration	30 May 2022
Submission of manuscript for IOBC-WPRS Bulletin	15 September 2022

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:

Standard single room: 30 EUR
Standard double room: 44 EUR

Spouse activities

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



Monday 13 June: A walk in the city center of Plovdiv

The total fee for the spouse excursions 13, 14 and 16 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 14 June, the workshop excursion Wednesday 15 June and the farewell dinner Thursday 16 June.



Tuesday 14 June: One day trip to Koprivstitsa
<http://www.koprivstitsa.com/museums.php>



Thursday 16 June: Half day trip to Bachkovo Monastery near Plovdiv
www.bulgariamonasteries.com/en/bachkovo_monastery.html

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