Dear colleagues,

we would like to inform you about the third announcement and provide information helpful for those of you who will attend the symposium. All those interested in XV EUCARPIA FBGS will find detailed information about the conference at https://www.eucarpiafruit2019.org/

**Registration and fees:**

**We are happy to announce you that the symposium fee was reduced by 100 EUR due to financial support of new sponsors!** Early bird registration was also extended to the 30th April 2019. The Gala dinner (June 5) is now included in the registration fee! The reduction of symposium fee is done also in the case of students!

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Full registration fee (ISHS/EUCARPIA members and non-ISHS/EUCARPIA members) includes:

- Welcome reception
- Official Symposium program and participant's package
- All lunches (3) and mid-session coffee/refreshments breaks
- Technical tour (June, 7)
- Acta Horticulturae proceedings volume
- Gala Dinner (June, 5)

**Key speakers**

- **Francois Laurens**, INRA, France, molecular genetics and biotechnology - innovative plant variety testing
- **Markus Kellerhals**, Agroscope, Switzerland, cultivars - genetic resources and biodiversity
- **Yuanwen Teng**, Zhejiang University, China, fruit breeding - interspecific hybridization
- **Charles-Eric Durel**, INRA, France, fruit breeding
- **Marc Lateur**, CRA-W, Belgium, genetic resources and biodiversity

**Presumed Symposium Timetable**

**Monday, June 3**

16:00 beginning of registration
19:00 official opening by the organizing committee and welcome address by institutional representatives, opening scientific presentation, Welcome reception

**Tuesday, June 4**

**Study and Information Centre at Czech University of Life Sciences Prague**

since 8:00 registration and poster putting up
since 9:00 oral and poster session
17:00 Prague Tour
Wednesday, June 5
Study and Information Centre at Czech University of Life Sciences Prague
9:00 – 17:00 oral and poster sessions
Hotel Galaxie
20:00 Gala dinner

Thursday, June 6
Study and Information Centre at Czech University of Life Sciences Prague
9:00 – 16:00 oral and poster sessions
15:00 Closing remarks and end of the symposium

Friday, June 7
Whole day Technical tours
8:00 departure from Hotel Galaxie by bus
10:00 Research and Breeding Institute of Pomology Holovousy Ltd. www.vsuo.cz
12:00 Excursions in fruit plantations (place will be specified)

The final symposium programme is still under construction, but it will certainly be worth the trip, and especially if you present your work!

Scientific committee members:
Jiri Sedlak (Czech Republic)
Markus Kellerhals (Switzerland)
Francois Laurens (France)
Maria Jose Aranzana (Spain)
Stefano Tartarini (Italy)
Michela Troggio (Italy)
Eric van de Weg (Netherlands)
Alena Gajdosova (Slovakia)
Pavel Vejl (Czech Republic)
Andreas Peil (GER)
Kate Evans (USA)
Vincent Bus (New Zealand)
Marc Lateur (Belgium)
Matthew Ordidge (UK)

Important dates

Conference Dates
June 3-7, 2019
The reservation of accommodation option is open
March 1, 2019
Abstracts submission deadline – extended!!
April 30, 2019
Early Bird Registration ends
April 30, 2019
Late Registration starts
May 1, 2019
Fulltext paper submission
June 3, 2019
Venue and accommodation
The XV EUCARPIA Fruit Breeding and Genetics Symposium will be held in the Study and Information Centre SIC of the Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague – Suchdol. The location is convenient for a good traffic connection to Vaclav Havel Airport Prague and at the same time with a good background for Symposium participants. **Prague is famous for its cultural and scientific heritage for centuries!**

June is already high season in Prague so we would recommend that you book hotels or apartments in advance. On our website you will find some information about offered accommodation in two select hotels. We encourage you to reserve your accommodation at one of these facilities. The reservation option is already open. It is necessary to mention that you are a participant of the Eucarpia 2019 conference when making your reservation.

For further accommodation possibilities in Prague, you can use following link: [https://www.prague.eu/en/objects/accommodation?frm.categoryListing=249](https://www.prague.eu/en/objects/accommodation?frm.categoryListing=249)

All EUCARPIA symposium participants are invited to submit their abstracts online with indication of the preference of either oral or poster presentation. Poster size is portrait oriented not bigger than 82 x 56 cm. The abstracts have to be submitted in English and electronically through the ISHS System ROSA - (Responsive Online System for Acta Horticulturae submission).

Feel free to widely circulate this announcement in your Institution, to interested Colleagues.

**Looking forward to seeing you in Prague!**

**Jiri Sedlak, convener, on behalf of the Organizing Committee**

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