

XIII IUFRO Conference on  
"Root and Butt Rot of Forest Trees"  
September 4<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> 2011  
Firenze - S. Martino di Castrozza, Trento , Italy

Firenze, March 16th, 2011

Dear forest pathologists,  
it is with great pleasure we officially invite you to attend the 13<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the International Union of Forestry Research Organization, Working Party 7.02.01 "Root and Butt Rot of Forest Trees" scientific meeting, visiting the Italian peninsula from September 4<sup>th</sup> until Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

**1- General information** - The Conference will start in [Firenze](#) later on will move to the Dolomite mountains where will be possible to continue with sessions and also to visit conifer woods. The Conference will be preceded by an optional PRE-CONFERENCE, field trip in ROMA.

**Conference welcome** and registration will be organized at [Casa della Creatività](#) - Vicolo di Santa Maria Maggiore, 1 Firenze, near the Cathedral, in the evening of Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> where you are invited to have a welcome cocktail.

The first session of the Conference will start at 8.30 on September 5<sup>th</sup> in the Conference room in Firenze (Via San Gallo, 25) At the Auditorium close to the [Cenacolo di Santa Apollonia](#). Sessions will continue on September 6<sup>th</sup> in the same place. On September 7<sup>th</sup> we will move by coach northward to Dolomite area, stopping along the way in S. Michele all'Adige (Trento) where we will visit the [FEM Research Centre](#) and its historic wine cellar. Along the travel we will enjoy the view of the Dolomites landscape, villages and mountains (the beauty and the geological diversity, the botany, and the landscape itself were decisive in the international commission of experts of UNESCO to declare in 2009 the Dolomites as a World Heritage site) until in [San Martino di Castrozza](#) where we will stay for three more days. On September 8<sup>th</sup> the meeting will continue in San Martino with a full session day. We will spend the next day, September 9<sup>th</sup>, visiting the [Natural Park of "Paneveggio Pale di San Martino"](#) and finally will end at approximately 12.00 on September 10<sup>th</sup> after the closing session.

**Getting There and Away** - For your travel plans consider to reach Firenze directly by fly but also by train from Milano, Roma or Venice. All cities have good [train connections](#) to Firenze. No transportation will be provided from Roma to Firenze for those interested in the optional pre-excursion near Roma.

The [Firenze Airport](#) is located 4 km from the center of the city. A taxi can make the trip in 15 minutes, and the Bus between the airport and Santa Maria Novella railway station takes 20 minutes. Bus service has a frequency of 30 min.

**Firenze Train Station** - Florence's central station is called Firenze Santa Maria Novella (look for signs announcing "Firenze SMN"). The train station is located in the northwest corner of central Florence, within convenient walking distance of most Florence tourist attractions (as well as [Cenacolo di Santa Apollonia](#)).

After the meeting end in **San Martino di Castrozza**, it will be possible back to Firenze with the reserved coach (included in the registration fee) or to reach Venezia (2 hours distance by Bus service, about € 20.00; INFO <http://www.brusutti.com/Default.aspx?lang=2> ; <http://www.sanmartino.com/> ).

### **Optional Pre-Conference Field Trip**

For those who are interested to know the site where the North American *Heterobasidion irregulare* is spreading, a pre-conference field trip will be organize on September 4th, starting at 9.30 am (pick up will be in the center of Roma, **registered people will be informed by mail separately**). The excursion will end approximately at 16.30 pm. A box-lunch and beverages will be provided to attendees.

### **2 - Registration**

Registration is now open, and will close on June 30th.  
Payment must be received by July 10th.

We are pleased to offer the following options:

Professional Registration: € 450.00  
Student Registration: € 350.00  
Accompanying people Registration: € 350.00

Conference fee will cover registration, coffee and meals during the sessions, social events listed in the program, transportation by coach from Firenze to S. Martino di Castrozza and return, and one copy of Proceedings.

### **Registration and Payment Instructions**

1. Please confirm your pre-registration and send us a copy of the Payment form before June 30<sup>th</sup> 2011 to [iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it](mailto:iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it)

#### **Payments should be sent to:**

**Paolo Capretti**, Account No. **101233785**

c/o Unicredit Firenze Vecchietti, via Vecchietti, 11 - 50123 Firenze, Italy.

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REMEMBER DEAD LINE for PAYMENTS: June 30<sup>th</sup> 2011,

**PRE-CONFERENCE. ROMA** - *Heterobasidion irregulare*, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, (not included in the registration fee). Transportation and meal: € 50.00

ACCOMMODATION in Roma Please contact [info@argotour.it](mailto:info@argotour.it)





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REGISTRATION FEES		
Registration fee as Professional	<input type="checkbox"/>	€ 450
Registration fee as Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	€ 350
Accompanying person Registration	<input type="checkbox"/>	€ 350
Optional Pre-Conference Field Trip ( Roma)- Participation fee	<input type="checkbox"/>	€ 50
Optional Pre-Conference Field Trip - Participation fee accompanying person:	<input type="checkbox"/>	€ 50
NB! Please attach a copy of the bank remittance / proof of payment with the registration form or send proof of payment within deadline.	TOTAL** €	

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I Intended to:  go back to Firenze with the reserved coach

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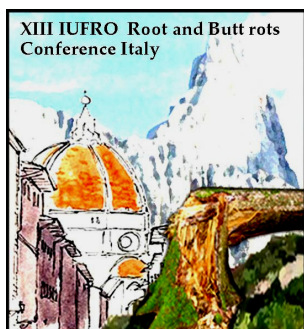
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REMEMBER THAT PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 30th, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE transportation to S.Martino di Castrozza



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### Scientific program - Information for Authors

Attendees will have 15-20 minutes for their oral presentations including a couple of minutes for questions. Following the tradition of last conference in California, Poster presentations are substituted by short oral presentations. Short oral presentations will be 5 minutes long and will include a maximum of 5 slides. Questions will be asked at the end of a session rather than at the end of each presentation.

Priority for short talks will be given to students who are not giving a full presentation, followed by attendees who are not given a long talk, and finally short talks may be used as a second presentation by attendees who already give a full talk. When submitting abstracts for both long and short talks, attendees need to select the focus area of their presentation. Please include first and second best selections among the following focus areas:

- 1 - Genomics and plant-pathogen interactions;
- 2 - Ecology;
- 3 - Aetiology and epidemiology;
- 4 - Systematic, taxonomy, and phylogeography;
- 5 - Population genetics;
- 6- New reports, diagnostics, and research applications of diagnostic methods;
- 7- Disease management and control

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My involvement in the meeting will include n. \_\_\_ formal presentation/s:     Yes    No

**Extended communication** - Session n. \_\_

Author (s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Possible title/s: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Short communication** - Session n. \_\_

Author (s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Possible title/s: \_\_\_\_\_

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[iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it](mailto:iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it) before 31st May, 2011.

