



XXVI Congress of the Italian Phytopathological Society

September 15th-17th, 2021

First announcement

Dear Colleagues,

we are pleased to announce that the XXVI SIPaV Congress 2021 will be held from Verona on September 15th-17th, as a completely on-line event, due the ongoing uncertainties related to Covid-19 pandemic.

After the hard times we all went through, which forced us to cancel the 2020 Edition, we wish to turn back the lights on the community of Italian plant pathologists and give the Society's members the opportunity to present their work and meet again, although virtually.

The Congress will take place on a Platform that is being selected, to allow the best possible experience and favor scientific interactions as much as possible.

The program will include 4 internationally recognized Invited speakers, who will surely be of inspiration for interesting discussions, and will also chair the corresponding sessions.

INVITED LECTURES

Cindy Morris - *INRAE Unité de Recherches de Pathologie Végétale – Montfavet, France.*

“Toward innovation in plant health management via an eco-evolutionary perspective on the life history of plant pathogens”

Matthew Moscou - *The Sainsbury Laboratory, Norwich, UK.*

“Molecular Basis of Nonhost Resistance”

Roeland Berendsen - *Department of Biology, Utrecht University, The Netherlands.*

“Soil-borne legacies of plant disease”

David Collinge - *Department of Plant and Environmental Sciences & Copenhagen Plant Science Centre, University of Copenhagen, Denmark.*

“Contrasting approaches to disease control in plants from transgenic plants to endophytic fungi”.

POSTERS

Posters presentations will also receive the necessary attention in a dedicated virtual space, in a new format to provide the strongest visibility to all young scientists. Three posters will be selected for the “Best Poster” awards, according to the SIPaV Congress tradition.

SCARAMUZZI AWARDS 2020 AND 2021

The SIPaV “Giovanni Scaramuzzi” Awards will be assigned for both the 2020 and 2021 Editions, according to the Call that is going to be published soon, giving both winners the opportunity to present their dissertations during the Congress.

GENERAL SIPaV ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly will take place in the afternoon of September 17th.

Details about registration and abstracts submission will be soon advertised on the SIPAV 2021 Congress website, at www.sipav2021virtual.org.

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