XIII IUFRO Conference on
"Root and Butt Rot of Forest Trees"
September 4\textsuperscript{th} - 10\textsuperscript{th} 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\textsuperscript{th} 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\textsuperscript{th} until Sept 10th,
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 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\textsuperscript{th} where you are invited to have a
welcome cocktail.

The first session of the Conference will start at 8.30 on September 5\textsuperscript{th} 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\textsuperscript{th} in the same place. On September 7\textsuperscript{th} 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\textsuperscript{th} the meeting will continue in San Martino with a full session
day. We will spent the next day, September 9\textsuperscript{th}, visiting the Natural Park of “Paneveggio Pale di San
Martino” and finally will end at approximately 12.00 on September 10\textsuperscript{th} 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 3rd, 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 30th 2011 to iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it

Payments should be sent to:
Polo Capretti, Account No. 101233785
c/o Unicredit Firenze Vecchietti, via Vecchietti, 11 - 50123 Firenze, Italy.
Swift code: UNCRITMM
IBAN: IT 28 X 02008 02837 000101233785
Please specify to your bank that all bank commissions are at your charge (OUR)

REMEMBER DEAD LINE for PAYMENTS: June 30th 2011,

PRE-CONFERENCE. ROMA - Heterobasidion irregulare, September 3rd, (not included in the registration fee). Transportation and meal: € 50.00
ACCOMMODATION in Roma Please contact info@argotour.it
3- Accommodation in Firenze is NOT included in the registration fee. To reserve a room for the nights of September (3) 4\textsuperscript{th} to 6\textsuperscript{th} you could contact sending a mail to Argotour (info@argotour.it see attached form) but is also possible to book by yourself looking in the web. A student accommodation could be found at http://www.hostelsclub.com/hostel-it-10066.html - www.plusflorence.com -- info@plusflorence.com

Accommodation S. Martino di Castrozza from 7\textsuperscript{th} to 10\textsuperscript{th} (NOT included in the registration fee)
We reserved a number of rooms at the following Hotels:

Hotel Vienna http://www.hvienna.com (double and tree beds rooms)

Hotel Panorama www.hpanorama.it (10 single rooms available)

Hotel La Montanara www.hotelmontanara.it (10 single rooms available)

Hotel Belvedere www.hbelvedere.it (10 single rooms available)

Please ask for the special price reserved for the IUFRO Conference participants. Special Prices and single rooms will be available just in case you Book before June 30\textsuperscript{th}!!

Different accommodation could be asked to the local Tourist office: http://www.sanmartino.com/w/en/accomodation-p588.html mentioning the IUFRO Conference

4. Send your abstract to iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it as indicated above. Remember to include favorite and second best focus area. You can use the numbers assigned above to each area, if you wish to do so.

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## Conference Program Firenze – San Martino di Castrozza

[optional Sept 3rd, 2011 - *Heterobasidion* pre-conference excursion (Rome)]

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**YOUR HOSTS:**

Paolo Capretti  
Cecilia Comparini  
Nicola La Porta  
Elena Gottardini  
Matteo Garbelotto
I Intended to:  go back to Firenze with the reserved coach

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specify to your bank that all bank commissions are at your charge (OUR)

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

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### REGISTRATION FEES

| Registration fee as Professional | □ | € 450 |
| Registration fee as Student | □ | € 350 |
| Accompanying person Registration | □ | € 350 |
| Optional Sept. 3rd Pre-Conference Field Trip (Roma) Participation fee | □ | € 50 |
| Optional Pre-Conference Field Trip - Participation fee accompanying person | □ | € 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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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

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. _
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Possible title/s: ___________________________________________
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Please fill the form and return to:
iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it before 31st May, 2011.
Abstracts of presentations should not exceed 1,600 characters, including title, authors and all publication information. Abstracts need to be sent to iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it no later than 31st May, 2011. Emails need to include - IUFRO ABSTRACT - “Erik Smith” (name 1st Author) in the subject as a file name.

The conference organizers will try to accommodate everybody, but some long talks may be transformed into short, if needed.

The Conference Proceedings will not feature full papers, but rather extended abstracts with different size for Long or Short presentations (ex posters). Please follow the Plant Disease (Instructions for Authors of Disease Notes) for style and format details.

Long presentations - will not exceed 6322 characters, including title, authors, all publication information, and a maximum of eight references. A maximum of four items, between tables and black/white figures, can be added to the script. All figures and/or tables, including legends, should be formatted to fit into two thirds of one page, maximum.

Short presentations (ex-posters) will not exceed 3166 characters, including title, authors, all publication information, and a maximum of four references. A maximum of two items, between tables and figures, can be added to the script. All figures and/or tables, including legends, should be formatted to fit into one third of a page, maximum.

Who will give oral presentation can present either a Long or Short. Extended Abstract Before submitting your extended abstract, please ensure with the organizers it has been approved for a long presentation.

Your contributions as Extended abstracts should be ready at Registration desk in Firenze. Extended abstracts should be sent to iufro07rbr-italy@unifi.it and the file called - IUFRO EXTENDED ABSTRACT LONG (or SHORT ) - Erik Smith (name 1st Author) - in the subject and as a file name.

DEADLINES RESUME

Abstract May 31st 2011
Registration June 30th 2011
Receive the payment July 10th 2011
Booking accommodation ASAP
Ext. abstract September 4th 2011

Registration or Conference Questions
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