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The Sixth Meeting of the International Union of Forest
Research Organizations
IUFR Working Party 7-02-09
Phytophthora in Forests and Natural Ecosystems



Córdoba (Spain)
9th - 14th September
2012

Dear Colleagues,

Following the success of the Fifth Meeting of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations IUFRO Working Party 7-02-09 “*Phytophthora* in Forests and Natural Ecosystems” in Rotorua in New Zealand in 2010, we would like to inform you that the next meeting will take place in Cordoba (Spain) from the 9th to the 14th of September 2012. The meeting will be organized jointly by Universidad de Cordoba and Universidad Politécnica de Valencia. The accommodation and meeting will be held in Colegio Mayor Universitario Nuestra Señora de la Asunción (see information below).

The city of Cordoba is on the south of the Iberian Peninsula (Southern Spain) at the foot of the Sierra Morena and on the banks of the River Guadalquivir. Cordoba sits at the heart of Andalusia and it has its own special microclimate (Continental Mediterranean). Cordoba is a World Heritage Site, and is still a living witness and faithful reflection of the many powerful civilisations that have settled there. Romans, Moors, Jews and Christians have all left a deep mark on its heritage, culture, traditions and customs. (<http://www.turiscordoba.es/?idioma=en>).

Furthermore, Cordoba has landscapes derived from Mediterranean forest ecosystems, called “dehesas”, consisting of pastureland featuring herbaceous species for grazing and tree species belonging to the genus *Quercus*, such as the holm oak (*Quercus ilex*) and cork oak (*Q. suber*), although other tree species such pine trees may also be present. Two field trips to visit “dehesas” that show different degrees of decline caused by *Phytophthora* have been organized for this meeting.

An optional Pre-Congress field trip to Portugal will be offered from the 7th to the 9th of September to visit areas of declining *Quercus suber* in Algarve (see programme below). Also, at the end of the meeting we will offer an optional Post-Congress field trip to Valencia (Eastern Spain) from the 14th to the 16th of September to visit the natural park “Carrascal de la Font Roja” which is an excellent representation of mixed Mediterranean forest that include species such as *Acer*, *Fraxinus*, *Pinus*, *Quercus*, *Viburnum* and *Taxus* among others, and where recently several *Phytophthora* species have been isolated from severely declining *Q. ilex* and *Q. faginea*.

Herewith, we would like to take this opportunity to invite you to the Sixth IUFRO Working Party 7-02-09 “*Phytophthora* in Forests and Natural Ecosystems” in Córdoba (Spain). As previously, we hope that this meeting will be a great opportunity to exchange scientific ideas and develop new collaborations. Please forward this message to any of your colleagues that might be interested or work on *Phytophthora* in forest and natural ecosystems.

Yours sincerely,

Esperanza Sanchez and Ana Pérez Sierra

Local organizers

On behalf of the Organising Committee

ACCOMODATION AND MEETING LOCATION

Accommodation and the meeting location for the Sixth Meeting of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations IUFRO Working Party 7-02-09 “Phytophthora in Forests and Natural Ecosystems” will both be at the Colegio Mayor Universitario Nuestra Señora de la Asunción, Avd. Menéndez Pidal s/n, 14004 Córdoba (Spain). You can access the gallery pictures on <http://www.uco.es/servicios/aloja/estudiantes-colegiosmayores-galeria.htm> (the webpage is in Spanish). Each room includes telephone, air conditioning, WIFI connection and private bathroom.

HOW TO GET THERE

Cordoba is very well connected via high-speed trains with some of the major Spanish airports, such as Madrid, Seville and Malaga at 1-2 h of train distance. You can check timetables and buy your train tickets in this address: <http://www.renfe.com/EN/viajeros/index.html> (If you buy your ticket one month in advance you will be able to have a better train fare).

From Córdoba train station you can get a taxi to Colegio Mayor Universitario Nuestra Señora de la Asunción (6 Euro approx.). There are also urban buses to and from Colegio Mayor and the old city centre, which is about 20 minutes away on foot.

PROGRAMME (PROVISIONAL OUTLINE)

Sunday, 9th Sept.	Registration Evening Reception
Monday, 10th Sept. Tuesday, 11th Sept.	Field Trip Sessions Evening session
Wednesday, 12th Sept.	Field trip (morning), lunch at a farm Sessions (Afternoon) Evening visit to Córdoba city (optional)
Thursday, 13th Sept.	Sessions Evening - Conference Dinner in Córdoba city
Friday, 14th Sept.	Sessions General Discussion Meeting Review, conclusions and close Lunch



INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS

●—● TRAIN CONNECTIONS (AVE = HIGH SPEED)

MADRID-CÓRDOBA: 1 h 40 min

MÁLAGA-CÓRDOBA: 50 min

SEVILLA-CÓRDOBA: 40 min

BARCELONA-CÓRDOBA: 4 h 40 min



FARO



PRE-CONGRESS FIELD TRIP



VALENCIA



POST-CONGRESS FIELD TRIP

REGISTRATION

Registration Fees for the Sixth IUFRO Working Party 7-02-09 "Phytophthora in Forests and Natural Ecosystems"

Delegate Type	Regular Fee Up to 1st June 2012
Full Registration	490 € (single room) / 480 € (shared room)
Student Registration (PhD, MSc, BSc students)	360 €
Additional/partner dinner ticket/s	60 €

Registration includes:

- 5 nights accommodation (Sunday to Thursday)
- Lunches (Monday to Friday)
- Coffee breaks (Monday to Friday)
- Conference Dinner (Thursday)
- Transport for field trips (Monday and Wednesday)
- Conference proceedings

Registration does not include:

- Evening meals except Conference Dinner
- Any extra night accommodation at Colegio Mayor Universitario Nuestra Señora de la Asunción in Córdoba (you will need to check availability in advance).

IMPORTANT DATES

Pre-registration Form (below):	31 st September 2011
Abstract submission:	31 st March 2012
Registration date from:	31 st December 2011
Final registration date:	1 st June 2012

Pre-Congress Field Trip to Algarve, Portugal

Registration Fee for the Pre-Congress Field Trip (Sixth IUFRO Working Party 7-02-09 “*Phytophthora* in Forests and Natural Ecosystems”):

Pre-Congress field/tourism trip for 25-30 participants

PROGRAMME (PROVISIONAL OUTLINE)

6 Sept 2012:	Arrival at Faro Airport	
7 Sept 2012:	9:00 AM	Field/tourism trip to the western (Barlavento) Algarve Faro-Pincho (region of declining <i>Quercus suber</i>) Pincho-Sagres (Where Europe begins or ends!)
	1:00 PM	Lunch time Sagres-Monchique (Visit Serra de Monchique-The Algarve garden)
	6:00 PM	Snack time Monchique-Faro (Return to the hotel)
8 Sept 2012	9:00 AM	Field/tourism trip to the Eastern (Sotavento) Algarve Faro-Parizes (region of <i>Quercus suber</i>)
	1:00 PM	Lunch time Parizes-Tavira (Visit town of Tavira)
	5:00 PM	Pedras d'El Rei (Take a dip at the beaches of Ria Formosa)
	7:00 PM	Pedras d'El Rei-Faro (Return to the hotel)
	7:00 PM	Snack time
9 Sept 2012	10:00 AM	Bus from Faro to Córdoba and lunch

Cost Pre-Congress Field Trip **367 €** (***) Hotel)

Registration to Pre-Congress Field Trip includes:

- Field trips
- Hotel for 3 nights in Faro
- Bus from Faro to Córdoba
- Lunches and snacks

Post-Congress Field Trip to a Natural Park, Valencia

Registration Fees for the Post-Congress Field Trip to Valencia (Sixth IUFRO Working Party 7-02-09 "*Phytophthora* in Forests and Natural Ecosystems) **(based on 25 people):**

PROGRAMME (PROVISIONAL OUTLINE)

- Friday, 14th Sept: Bus from Córdoba to Valencia (after final IUFRO lunch)
Arrival in Valencia – Reception
- Saturday, 15th Sept: Field trip to Natural Park "Carrascal de la Font Roja"
<http://parquesnaturales.gva.es/web/indice.aspx?nodo=2983>
- Sunday, 16th Sept: Departure

Registration Cost per person:

Cost Post-Congress Field Trip: **225 €** Single room / **170 €** shared Double room
(*** Hotel)

Registration to Post-Congress Field Trip includes includes:

- Bus from Córdoba to Valencia
- Hotel for 2 nights in Valencia
- Bus from Valencia to Natural Park "Carrascal de la Font Roja"
- Reception

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

In order to help us with the organization of the meeting, we ask you if you could fill in the following "Intentions Form" and return it to aperesi@eaf.upv.es by the 31st of September 2011.

Sixth IUFRO Working Party 7-02-09 "Phytophthora in Forests and Natural Ecosystems"		
Name		
Institution		
Country		
Email address		
Define area(s) of your current forest <i>Phytophthora</i> work		
Do you intend:		
	YES	NO
to attend this meeting?		
to give a talk?		
title of talk(s)/topic		
present posters?		
title of poster(s)/topic		
Attend the pre-congress field trip		
Attend the post-congress field trip		
Accompanying person*		
Please indicate if you have special requirements (e.g. diet etc.)		

* A program may be offered depending on the number of accompanying persons

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts of all presentations (both oral and poster) should be submitted to Esperanza Sánchez at: ag1sahem@uco.es by 31st of March 2012 in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format. Authors are responsible for the content of their abstract; we will not be editing them. Please follow the guidelines below:

Title – Bold centred (Arial 14 pt lower case)

Authors, Arial 12pt, justified (presenting author underlined)

*Affiliation in Arial 11pt italics: Institution and group, address and email
eg. IBB-Institute for Biotechnology and Bioengineering, Centro de Biomedicina Molecular e Estrutural, Universidade do Algarve*

Text:

Maximum 250 words, Arial, 11 pt, justified text and 2 references maximum [1].

References (Arial 10pt, single space)

[1] Coelho, A. C., Horta, M., Neves, D. and Cravador, A. Involvement of a cinnamyl alcohol dehydrogenase of *Quercus suber* in the defence response to infection by *Phytophthora cinnamomi*. *Physiol. Mol. Plant Pathol.*, **69** 62–72 (2006).