



XIII IUFRO Conference on
"Root and Butt Rot of Forest Trees"
September 4th - 10th 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 13th 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 4th 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 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 4th where you are invited to have a welcome cocktail.

The first session of the Conference will start at 8.30 on September 5th 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 6th in the same place. On September 7th 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 8th the meeting will continue in San Martino with a full session day. We will spend the next day, September 9th, visiting the [Natural Park of "Paneveggio Pale di San Martino"](#) and finally will end at approximately 12.00 on September 10th 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:

Paolo 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) 4th to 6th 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 7th to 10th (NOT included in the registration fee)

We reserved a number of rooms at Hotel Vienna <http://www.hvienna.com>

Please ask for the special price reserved for the IUFRO Conference participants

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.

Conference Program Firenze - San Martino di Castrozza

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

Date - location	Program	Social events
Sept 4, 2011, 18.00 20.00 in Firenze , Casa della Creatività - Vicolo di Santa Maria Maggiore, 1- 50123 Firenze	Conference Registration	Welcome Reception Cocktail
Sept 5, 2011, 8,30 - 17,30 Auditorium S. Apollonia - Via San Gallo, 25, Firenze	Conference Scientific sessions	Light buffet dinner "Caffetteria delle Oblate. Via dell'Oriuolo 26 - Firenze
Sept 6, 2011, 8,30 - 17,30 Auditorium S. Apollonia - Via San Gallo, 25, Firenze	Conference Scientific sessions	
Sept 7, 2011, Firenze - S. Martino di Castrozza	Conference moves to S. Martino di Castrozza	Lunch in San Michele a/Adige
Sept 8, 2011, 8,30 17, 30 Palazzo Sass Maor, Via Passo Rolle, S. Martino di Castrozza	Conference Scientific sessions	Official Dinner
Sept 9, 2011, S. Martino di Castrozza	Excursion (Dolomite area)	Dinner in malga Passo Rolle
Sept 10, 2011, 8,30 12, 30 Palazzo Sass Maor, Via Passo Rolle, S. Martino di Castrozza	Conference Session and closure	Departure to Firenze by Coach (included in Registration fee)

YOUR HOSTS:

Paolo Capretti
Cecilia Comparini
Nicola La Porta
Elena Gottardini
Matteo Garbelotto



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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 Sept. 3rd 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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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

Scientific program - Information for Authors

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

☐ **Extended communication** - Session n. ____

Author (s) : _____

Possible title/s: _____

☐ **Short communication** - Session n. ____

Author (s) : _____

Possible title/s: _____

Please fill the form and return to:

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