



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The International Poplar Symposium (IPS) is an international meeting which has been continually highlighting the most recent and important scientific findings in *Populus* and *Salix* genetics, molecular biology, physiology, ecology, wood science, etc.

The conference is a scientific and technical gathering of innovative specialists to create networks and contacts, present new findings and discuss ways in which such knowledge could be implemented to benefit society. Building on past successes, Argentina is honored to organize the Seventh International Poplar and Willow Symposium (IPS VII) that will be held in Buenos Aires, from 28 October to 4 November 2018.

The main conference program will include invited keynote speakers, voluntary presentations, and poster sessions with enough time in between formal sessions allowed for networking and discussions. It also consider a one day field trip to visit Delta del Paraná Agricultural Experiment Station and poplar and willow plantations, field trials and wood processing plants.

An optional post-conference tour through Patagonia will include, among other things, a visit to Alto Valle Agricultural Experiment Station, agroforestry systems, irrigated plantations, vineyards protected by windbreaks of poplar, phytoremediation plots and more.

We sincerely invite researchers and experts from universities, research institutions, government agencies and relevant industries to attend and participate at the IPS VII and welcome contributions in the following research topics:

- **Genetics, Breeding, and Conservation of Genetic Resources**
- **Molecular Biology**
- **Physiology**
- **Plant Pathology**
- **Environmental Applications**
- **Management**
- **New Bioeconomies**

Please submit your abstracts (maximum 400 words) to ips7ba@gmail.com, until May 31, 2018. The scientific committee will transmit their decision by June 30, 2018.

For more information, please visit <https://poplarsymposium.blogspot.com.ar> or contact ips7ba@gmail.com

We are looking forward to seeing you in Buenos Aires.

Sincerely yours,

Organizing Committee