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*Organisation Internationale de Lutte Biologique et Intégrée contre les Animaux et les Plantes Nuisibles (OILB)  
Section Régionale Ouest Paléarctique (SROP)*

**IOBC/WPRS Meeting on Citrus Pests, Diseases and Weeds**

**25 – 27 September, Valencia, Spain**

**FIRST CIRCULAR**

On behalf of the International Organization for Biological and Integrated Control of Noxious Animals and Plants, West Palaearctic Regional Section (IOBC-wprs), you are cordially invited to participate in the next meeting of the Working Group on “Integrated Protection of Citrus Crops”. This international event will be held from **25 to 27 September 2017 at the Universitat Politècnica de Valencia, Valencia, Spain**. We believe that the conference will be an excellent platform for sharing ideas and discussions about citrus pests, pathogens and weeds, including new management strategies and methods in citrus orchards, and threats represented by new pests and diseases already present in the Mediterranean or which could appear in the near future.

Sessions will start with introductory presentations of 30 min by invited speakers. General oral presentations will be of 15 minutes and poster sessions will be scheduled daily. A mid-conference tour is planned which will include citrus orchards and citrus industry facilities located in the Valencia area. Further information on important dates, registration fees, accommodation, instructions for submitting abstracts and final papers, poster formats, preliminary scientific program and technical field tour will be published in the second circular by January 2017 and in a conference website which will shortly be live.

We would appreciate it if you circulate this information amongst your colleagues.

Please fill out the attached pre-registration form and send it to the local organizer by e-mail ([fgarciam@eaf.upv.es](mailto:fgarciam@eaf.upv.es)) before 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016.

Looking forward to welcome you in Valencia, Spain,

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