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

**8th Meeting of the IOBC-WPRS Working Group
“Integrated Control of Plant-Feeding Mites”**

4 - 7 September 2023
Belgrade, Serbia

THIRD ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear colleagues,

The 8th meeting of the Working Group “Integrated Control of Plant-Feeding Mites” is beginning in about four months in Belgrade, Serbia. For detailed information see [website](#).

Do not miss the deadlines:

- **31th May 2023:** Deadline for abstract submission for the travel grant competition
- **15th June 2023:** Deadline for early bird registration
- **30th June 2023:** Deadline for abstract/manuscript submission and registration

The topics of the abstracts/manuscripts should be related to the following areas:

- new developments in biological and chemical mite control
- integrated management of mite pests
- biology, ecology, and behavior of predatory mites and their prey above and below ground
- the effects of climate change on mite pest management

We are pleased to announce three **keynote speakers**:

Eric Palevsky: „Utilizing predatory mites for conservation biological control, a holistic approach, from top to bottom“

Farid Faraji: „Soil and plant-inhabiting predatory mites: Vertical distribution and novel biological agents captured via bio-bait fishing“

Ismail Döker: „Recently described predatory mites belonging to the family Phytoseiidae (Acari: Mesostigmata) and their importance in biological control“

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Monday, September 4 th	17:00 – 21:00	Registration and welcome cocktail
Tuesday, September 5 th	8:00 – 9:00	Registration
	9:00 – 19:00	Oral and poster sessions
Wednesday, September 6 th	9:00 – 16:00	Oral sessions
	16:00 – 17:00	Conclusions
	19:00 –	Social dinner
Thursday, September 7 th		Excursion

STUDENT COMPETITIONS

As one of the major objectives of this meeting is to attract students, we will be having two student competitions (**Student sponsorship**):

- **Best Bulletin manuscript** (submitted in the format of an extended abstract) – two students will be awarded with travel grant to attend the conference (300 € for each student)

To compete for this competition, please be sure to submit your abstract online by May 31th 2023.

- **Best oral presentation** - three students will be awarded at the social dinner (500 € for each student)

REGISTRATION FEES

Status	Early Bird Fees¹	Regular Fees²
IOBC members	300 €	350 €
Non-members	420 €	470 €
Students	200 €	250 €

¹ before 15th June 2023 ² before 30th June 2023

The fees include 20% VAT

On-site registration fee payment is not possible

The registration fee covers welcome cocktail, participation in scientific sessions, conference package, all lunches and coffee breaks, social dinner, and excursion. Accompanying people can join social activities (welcome cocktail, social dinner, and excursion) by paying 100 €.

REGISTRATION

Payment option: by electronic bank transfer according to the instructions bellow

56A: Intermediary:

COMMERZBANK AG, FRANKFURT AM MAIN
SWIFT CODE: COBADEFF

57A: Account with institution:

OTP BANKA SRBIJA A.D.
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Registration fee payment is possible only in €. Bank charges are responsibility of the participant and have to be paid by the participant. A personalized confirmation e-mail will be sent to each participant upon the payment receipt. An invoice for registration payment will be provided at the venue registration desk. A scan of the invoice can be sent by e-mail upon request.

SUBMISSION OF THE SCIENTIFIC CONTRIBUTIONS

Potential participants can choose between an extended abstract or a full manuscript. All contributions are submitted to the following e-mail: **iobc_belgrade_2023@pesting.org.rs**

All accepted extended abstracts and full manuscripts will be published in an IOBC-WPRS Bulletin. For more details see **[abstract/manuscript submission](#)**.

The Scientific committee will accept contributions for oral or poster presentations based on content and scientific quality.

The registration of the presenter and the payment of the fees are mandatory for contribution acceptance.

We are looking forward to see you in Belgrade!

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