International Organisation for Biological and Integrated Control (IOBC) West Plalaearctic Regional Section (WPRS)

Organisation Internationale de Lutte Biologique et Intégrée (OILB) Section Régionale Ouest Paléarctique (SROP)





## FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear colleagues,

We kindly invite you to participate in the next Conference of the IOBC/WPRS Working Group on the "Integrated Protection of Stored Products (IPSP)" that will be organized by the Institute of Field and Vegetable Crops, National Institute of the Republic of Serbia (IFVCNS), from 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024, in Novi Sad, Serbia.

Conference web site <a href="www.iobc-ipsp-ns2024.com">www.iobc-ipsp-ns2024.com</a>

### SCOPE OF THE CONFERENCE

The objective of the Conference is to present recent research advances and new solutions and strategies in integrated pest management (IPM) of stored products, both durable and food-processing commodities. The emphasis is given on pest prevention, detection and biorational and non-toxic methods of control, with an ultimate aim to prevent damages caused by insects, mites, pathogenic fungi, rodents and birds, and reduce losses in the food chain.

The world of agriculture faces many problems with the increasing threat of climate change, the need to feed an expanding world population, biodiversity loss, consumer demands of high-quality products, pesticide restrictions etc. Even though post-harvest processing and maintenance is a significant part of the food chain, it has been neglected in comparison to "open field" agriculture.

Our goal is to promote the use of sustainable, environmentally safe economically feasible and socially acceptable methods for control of stored products of pests and diseases, gather scientists from around the world and provide a unique opportunity to exchange knowledge and research results in this regard, as well as to communicate on a wide range of topics. The emphasis is given on IPM, as this pest management strategy addresses both environmental safety and socio-economic issues.

The congress is undoubtedly the ideal meeting place to network and interact, establish the starting point for future collaborations and breakthrough innovations in stored product pest management.

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The **IOBC 2024** audience consists of researchers and academics from different disciplines such as entomology, phytopathology, zoology, genetics and food processing, as well as policy-makers, field agronomists, crop protection experts and chemical companies.

The congress program will include invited lectures, oral and poster sessions.

This 14th Conference of the IOBC IPSP Working Group will explore the advances in IPSP in the following **PRELIMINARY** topics:

- Biology, ecology and behaviour of stored product pests
- Biological control of stored product pests and natural products
- Physical control of stored product pests, controlled athmospheres and hermetic storage
- Chemical control of stored product pests
- Pest resistance
- Prevention methods during postharvest and storage
- Quarantine and regulatory issues
- Insects as food and feed

English will be the official language of the meeting.

Proceedings with all contributions, both oral and poster presentations will be published as full papers or extended abstracts in the **IOBC/WPRS Bulletin**.

We look forward to welcoming you in Novi Sad.

With kind regards,

Jordi Riudavets

Convenor of the group

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**Sonja Gvozdenac IFVCNS organising committee** 

### **VENUE**

The conference will take place in hotel Sheraton, Novi Sad, Serbia. https://www.sheratonnovisad.rs/









The City of Novi Sad, the capital of the autonomous province of <u>Vojvodina</u>, lying on the banks of the <u>Danube</u> river, in the south of the Pannonian plain, facing the slopes of <u>Fruška Gora</u> (17 culturally and historically significant monasteries). In addition, there are 17th-century Petrovaradin Fortress, appealing old city center, numerous museums, prestigious Novi Sad Fair, as well as many world famous festivals and events. Novi Sad has been a was a European City of Cultre in 2021.

Besides the Sheraton hotel (\*\*\*\*), other accommodation options will be available for the participants (\*\*\* star hotels, private accommodation, hostels etc.). The accommodation offer will be included in the Second announcement.

### **SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE**

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#### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Venue

Hotel Sheraton, Novi Sad, Serbia https://www.sheratonnovisad.rs/





## **Hosting society**

International Organisation for Biological and Integrated Control, West Palearctic Regional Section (IOBC-WPRS)



## **Organizer**

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