



# LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT FOR FUNCTIONAL BIODIVERSITY

10th Meeting of the IOBC-WPRS Working Group



## SAVE THE DATE

“Landscape Management for Functional Biodiversity”  
20-22 March 2024 Pisa, Italy

**Piazza Martiri della Libertà 33, HQ Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna di Pisa**

### *We are busy planning our exciting programme...*

The meeting will bring together the latest advances in research, development, and application of landscape management for functional biodiversity, exchanging information, coordinating common research, and identifying areas for future research. There will be a focus on comparing approaches to the management and monitoring of biodiversity in perennial (orchards) and herbaceous (arable or vegetable) cropping systems. Contributions that share knowledge and experiences for specific groups of organisms and/or cropping systems are welcome.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Pre-registration is opened and can be done by sending an email to express your interest in participating to this event to: [c.moonen@santannapisa.it](mailto:c.moonen@santannapisa.it).

You are invited to submit an extended abstract for oral and poster presentations. Abstracts will be published in the IOBC-WPRS Bulletin which will be available in electronic format only. Contributions should be limited to 4 pages maximum, including tables and graphs. Full instructions for authors and a template for the manuscript and references can be found at [http://www.iobc-wprs.org/pub/bulletins/IOBC-WPRS\\_Bulletins\\_Author\\_Instructions.pdf](http://www.iobc-wprs.org/pub/bulletins/IOBC-WPRS_Bulletins_Author_Instructions.pdf) with instructions on submission to follow. Although the IOBC strongly supports the submission of 4-page abstracts, 1-page abstracts may be submitted upon request.

### *Important dates*

- Deadline for expression of interest is 10 December 2023 via email (see above);
- Early-registration will open on 11 December 2023;
- Deadline for early registration and abstract submission is 7<sup>th</sup> of January 2024.

### *Registration*

Local organisers:

- Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna: Camilla Moonen, Ruggero Petacchi, Alice Caselli, Tiziana Sabbatini, Cristiano Tozzini, Matteo Dellapiana and Bea Maas.
- University of Pisa: Angelo Canale, Andrea Lucchi and Augusto Loni

### *Working Group convenors:*

- Graham Begg (James Hutton Institute, Scotland)
- Daniela Lupi (University of Milan, Italy)



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## MEETING LOCATION

The event will take place in the centre of Pisa, a small touristic town in the heart of Tuscany with about 90,000 inhabitants. There are 3 Universities: University of Pisa, Scuola Normale and Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna.

Pisa and its uniquely beautiful Piazza dei Miracoli, a UNESCO World Heritage site since 1987, have always been a fundamental stop on any holiday in Tuscany. Millions of people come here from every corner of the world every year to try, with the help of perspective, to keep the leaning tower standing.

Pisa boasts a thousand-year history (the name of the city dates back to the Etruscan era and refers to the nearby "mouth" of the Arno) which reached its peak at the time of the Maritime Republics, a period that created the center of the city as an artistic treasure trove with outstanding Romanesque and Gothic churches.

Pisan cuisine is characterized by simple dishes prepared with the best local ingredients, such as olive oil of the Pisan Mountains. In Pisa, you can taste excellent dishes based on fish or meat, including the steak of Mucco Pisano, a local bovine breed. At the same time Tuscany is known for its vegetable and legume soups based on cabbages, lentils or chickpea.

### HOTELS IN PISA

We suggest some hotels but you have an ample choice in the city centre. B&Bs and AirB&Bs can also be explored. Prices range from €65 to € 160.

- Hotel Di Stefano
- Grand Hotel Duomo
- Hotel Villa Kinzica
- Royal Victoria Hotel
- Hotel Verdi





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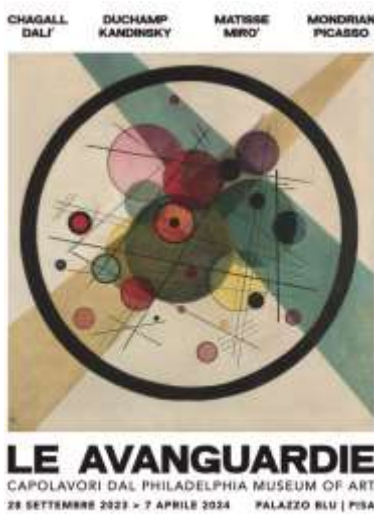
## TRAVEL TO PISA

Pisa has a small airport (<https://www.pisa-airport.com/en/>) at only 1,5 km from the central train station, and it is connected to the city with the 'people mover' (<https://www.pisa-airport.com/en/the-passengers/transport/people-mover.html>).

From the central train station busses circulate frequently. Taxis are waiting outside the airport terminal and will bring you to the city centre in about 10 minutes (about € 10). If you prefer a walk, it will take you about 20-30 minutes to get right to the city centre from the airport.

## CULTURAL EVENTS

- Cultural events in march 2024: <https://www.turismo.pisa.it/en/eventi/the-avant-garde-masterpieces-from-the-philadelphia-museum-of-art-at-palazzo-blu>
- Natural park of San Rossore at only 3 km from the city center: <https://www.parcosanrossore.org/>
- Natural History Museum of University of Pisa: <https://www.msn.unipi.it/en/>



**We look forward to welcoming you to Pisa in 2024**