First Announcement

Dear colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we announce the 19th meeting of the IOBC/WPRS Working Group “Microbial and Nematode Control of Invertebrate Pests” hosted by the University of Azores. This meeting aims to be a platform for knowledge update, focusing on the promotion and dissemination of scientific innovation in the field of integrated pest control. The 2024 edition will take place from 8-11 September 2024 in Ponta Delgada, on São Miguel Island in the archipelago of Azores, Portugal.

Local organizers Nelson Simões and Duarte Toubarro, along with Working Group Convenor Eustachio Tarasco and Liaison Enrique Quesada Moraga, are delighted to welcome you to engage in this scientific gathering. We cordially invite you to register for the 19th meeting, where experts and enthusiasts in the field will converge to explore the latest advancements in Microbial and Nematode Control of Invertebrate Pests.

Our working group Microbial and Nematode Control of Invertebrate Pests covers all aspects of insect pathology and Advances in microbial control tools for AgroForest Challenges, consisting of the following Subgroups: Fungi, Entomoparasitic nematodes, Viruses, Soil insect pests, Slugs and snails & Bacteria. Our upcoming meeting aims to review the latest scientific advances in the field of Microbial and Nematode Control of Invertebrate Pests and promote discussion and collaboration among researchers. The meeting will serve as a platform for sharing the latest advances in research, development, and application of Invertebrate Pathology and Microbial Control. We aim to facilitate the exchange of information, coordinate joint research efforts, and identify future research directions. We encourage contributions that share knowledge and experiences related to specific groups of microorganisms used in microbial control.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Ponta Delgada.

Nelson Simões and Duarte Toubarro, local organizers

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