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November 2011

Venue

IOBC/WPRS Working Group "Pesticides and beneficial organisms" Marbella (Spain), 2011, November 8th-10th

www.ual.es/Congresos/iobc/index.htm

Dear participant, enclosed is information to facilitate your participation in the meeting. Please print and take with you to Marbella.

CONFERENCE VENUE

*Hotel El Fuerte de Marbella *****

Avenida El Fuerte s/n. 29602 Marbella, Málaga, Spain. Phone 34 952920018

Official check-in time: 14:00 h; check-out time: 12:00h.

<http://www.fuertehoteles.com/es/hoteles/marbella/hotel-fuerte-marbella>

TRANSPORTATION TO MARBELLA

-**Taxi cabs** are readily available from Málaga airport to Hotel El Fuerte de Marbella. One-way cost to Marbella is roughly 60 € and takes about 45 minutes.

-You may also wish **arrange transfers directly with the hotel**, contacting Rafael Trujillo: grupos@fuertehoteles.com, indicating that you are attending the IOBC meeting and providing your arrival time and flight number. The cost of a private taxi cab for 4 people will be 75 €. Payment must be done directly to the taxi driver, who will be waiting at the terminal arrival exit.

-There is also a **direct public bus between Málaga airport and Marbella bus Station**. Busses travel on the toll road which is fast and direct with no intermediate stops and takes about 45 minutes. Cost is 6.50 € one way (prices fluctuate).

*Málaga airport-Marbella buss station: 8.15-10.15-11.30-12.30-14.15-16.15-18.00-18.50-20.15-22.30h.

The bus (with the sign MARBELLA) leaves from just outside Arrivals at the airport and arrives at the Marbella bus Station with taxis right outside. Look for ticket office just outside exit from T3 Arrivals Hall. After 20.00h, buy tickets on bus. You can buy tickets in advance online at www.avanzabus.com. Enter "Malaga Aeropuerto" for Malaga Airport.

*Marbella buss Station-Málaga airport: 7.15-8.15-10.15-11.30-13.15-15.15-15.30-17.00-19.15-21.15h. You must buy the ticket in the ticket office at the bus Station.



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REGISTRATION/ HOSPITALITY/ INFORMATION

A **Registration/ Hospitality desk**, at the entrance of Salon Sevilla, one floor below ground level, will operate as follows:

Monday, November 7	18:00-20:00 h
Tuesday, November 8	8:30-9:00 h
Wednesday, November 9	8:30-9:30 h
Thursday, November 10	8.30-9:00 h

Registration fees include conference facilities and refreshments, welcome reception, lunches on Tuesday and Wednesday, excursion and farewell dinner.

Presentations done during the meeting will be published in an special number of the IOBC Bulletin. IOBC members will have access to the pdf bulletin on the IOBC website - restricted area (for members only). Printed paper bulletin will be available for all (IOBC members or non IOBC members) on request (can be done during the meeting or after) at a price depending on the number of pages.

CONFERENCE KIT AND NAME TAG

Upon registration you will receive your conference kit containing the program, name tag, and vouchers for lunches, farewell dinner and tour of Antequera as well as tourist information. **Please wear your name tag to all sessions and events.**

WELCOME RECEPTION

The welcome get and get together will take place on Monday, November 7th, at 20.00h at the Hotel El fuerte de Marbella

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Conference sessions will take place at Hotel El fuerte de Marbella, SALON Sevilla located one floor below ground level.

DRESS CODE

Dress code is informal throughout the meeting.



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MEALS

Entrance to the hotel dining room for lunch is by voucher only. Please bring your daily lunch voucher with you. Breakfast is included with your accommodation rate and is served in the hotel dining room.

TOURISTIC TOUR OF ANTEQUERA AND FAREWELL DINNER

Wednesday, November 9, 2011

On Wednesday afternoon, there will be a walking touristic tour and farewell dinner to **Antequera**. Antequera is a touristic town located approx 106 km from the city of Marbella in the inner part of Málaga province.

The first sighting of Antequera in the distance is that of a typical medieval town, with the spires of her many churches and the walls and towers of the great Moorish fortress silhouetted against the sky. Spread out in the valley below lie rich farmlands irrigated by the Guadalhorce River. For centuries this has been one of Andalucía's most fertile areas, and is currently a leading producer of asparagus, cereals and olives. In summer, its fields turn brilliant yellow with sunflowers. The town and valley are overlooked by an enormous crag of limestone, 880 metres high, called La Peña de los Enamorados, or "The Lovers' Leap".

The town has important monuments not to be missed: The roman baths- The Moorish castle (XIII century) with the homage tower known as "Papabellotas"- The Granada door (1748)- The magnificent renaissance church of Real Colegiata de Santa María la Mayor (**National monument**)-The churches of San Sebastian (XVI century), renaissance style with a barroc-moorish tower; Encarnación (XVI), with coffered moorish ceiling; Belén (XVIII century), barroc; Del Carmen (**Nacional monument**) and Carmelitas descalzas (Barefoot Carmelitas), on the square of the same name; inside the heavy wooden entrance, there is a small counter with a display of bakery products and prices, next to a revolving wooden door. You pull a rope which rings a bell, and then hear a woman's voice after which you give your order and place your money on the tray. The hidden nun then spins the tray around, with the pastries emerging from the door.

More information at the Antequera website:

<http://www.andalucia.com/antequera/touristoffices.htm>.



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The farewell dinner will take place at 21:00h at the restaurant of the hotel *Parador Nacional de Antequera* www.parador.es/es/parador-de-antequera located at Paseo García del Olmo, at only some minutes from the historical centre.

We ask you that you be in the lobby of the hotel by 14:45h for the buss departure at 15:00h. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and do not forget a thick jacket. Immediately after arrival, we will start the walking tour of the old city of Antequera.

In order to attend, all dinner participants **must pre-register for the tour and dinner** at the registration desk not later than 12:00 noon on Tuesday 8th. Participation is by voucher only. Please bring your voucher with you.

WEATHER

IN MARBELLA, the temperature in November is approx 18-21 °C during the day and 11-16 °C at night. We suggest to bring light clothing for the day and a jacket for the evening. Do not forget also the bathing suit because if weather is good during the meeting you can sunbath in the beach or even swim in the sea if you like fresh waters. The hotel also offers an indoor swimming pool.

IN ANTEQUERA, the temperature is cooler than by the sea, approx 14-°6 °C during the day and 6-7 °C at night. Take a thick jacket with you.

INTERNET ACCESS

The hotel offers courtesy wifi in rooms and common areas. Please ask for you password at the reception desk upon arrival.

ELECTRICITY

Standard electrical current in Spain is 220 volts. The typical plug has two round pins. Modern sockets are earthed but old ones has holes too small for earthed appliances and you need to use a travel adaptor.



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WHERE TO GO IN MARBELLA

Marbella is a crossroads of the so called *beautiful people* since the middle 60's when its beautiness and mild climate attracted many rich people who starting building luxury houses

and organizing extravagant parties. Many members of the European high society, famous actors and actresses, journalists, outstanding football, tennis and golf players as well as wealthy arab people own luxury properties there.

The old town exhibits the typical structure of an Andalusian village: white houses, one-two story high with two sides red roofs; marvellous patios full of flowers; lines of bitter orange trees on both sides of the narrow stone-paved streets, which flowers emit an intense fragrance in blossom; peaceful squares with trees and sometimes fountains in the centre. Do not miss the opportunity of having a walk there. Below you have some suggestions about where to go or where to eat in this town. Enjoy it!

PROMENADES

- Old town: *Plaza de los Naranjos* (Naranjos' square) and surroundings
- Jardines de la Constitución* (Constitution gardens)
- Paseo Marítimo* (Walk along the beach)
- Puente Romano hotel***** gardens*: Highly recommended a visit to the spectacular gardens
- Marina = Puerto deportivo* (yachting harbour)

-**PUERTO BANUS**: 4 km from Marbella. A place of meeting of the high society.

- Luxurious shopping area
- Beautiful Marina (yachting harbour)
- Picasso restaurant*. C/ Muelle Ribera Local 48 / 49 H. Phone: 952 813 669
- Bar Sinatra*. Muelle de la Ribera, local 2. For drinks.

HIGH STANDARD RESTAURANTS (expensive)

- Buenaventura plaza*. www.restaurantebuenaventura.es. Michelle Obama had dinner there.
Address: Plaza Iglesia de la Encarnación, 5. Phone: 952 858 069
- *Calima*. www.restaurantecalima.com/. Two Michelin's stars. Chef Danni García. Address: José Meliá, s/n. Phone: 952 76 42 52
- *El Lago*. www.restauranteellago.com/. One Michelin star. Chef Diego del Río. Address: Avenida Las Cumbres s/n. Urbanización Elviria Hills, building Greenlife-golf. Open: Tuesday to Sunday for dinner. Phone: 952 832 371;



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- Restaurant and Disco Suite*. *Puente Romano Hotel******. Delicious maroccan cuisine and last trends in European cuisine. Dinner while listening to chill-out music by the best international DJ's, surrounded by marvelous gardens. Disco from midnight. Address:

Boulevard Príncipe Alfonso von Hoenlohe s/n. Phone: 952 82 09 00; Web:
www.puenteromano.com

OLD TOWN RESTAURANTS

-*Altamirano*. Address: Plaza Altamirano, 3. Close to Naranjos' square. Phone: 952 824 932

PASEO MARÍTIMO

-*Heladería La jijonenca*. Address: Paseo Marítimo 7. Delicious home made ice creams.

-*Pizzeria Da Bruno sul mare*. www.dabruno.com. Address: Edificio Skol, Paseo Marítimo.
Phone: 952 90 33 18.

SHORT DISTANCE BARS AND RESTAURANTS FROM HOTEL EL FUERTE

-*Pastelería Lepanto*. Address: Avenida Puerto del Mar s/n. Home made cakes and petit fours.

-*Bar California*. Sea food and fish. Competitive prices. Address: Calle Málaga, local 8.

-*La Mas fría*. Spanish tapas. Address: Avenida Ricardo Soriano. Phone: 952 77 23 01.

-*El Timonel*. Sea food and fish. Address: Notario Luis Oliver 19. Phone: 952 77 13 11.

-*Marisquería Santiago*. Sea food. Expensive. Address: Paseo Marítimo 5. Phone: 952 77 43 39.

DRINKS

-*Salduba pub*. Calle Cristobal Colón 5

-*Disco suite Puente romano Hotel*. From midnight. Boulevard Príncipe Alfonso von Hoenlohe s/n

We look forward to welcoming you in Marbella

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