

5th International **WEED SCIENCE CONGRESS**

weeds—local problems
global challenge

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Canada
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Invitation

Dear colleagues and friends,

I am delighted to invite you to participate in our 5th International Weed Science Congress to be held in the beautiful city of Vancouver, Canada. Every four years we gather to share the most recent scientific and technical information about weeds on a global basis and to have a unique opportunity to personally interact with scientists from around the world. Through the collaboration of three disciplinary societies (IWSS, WSSA and CWSS-SCM) we are developing a comprehensive scientific program that should serve as a platform for information dissemination, ample discussion and international cooperation. We will also have attractive local activities for participants and their companions to make this experience truly fulfilling. As in the past, we are making all possible efforts to facilitate the participation of graduate students, particularly from developing countries, by substantially lowering their registration fees and establishing a support program, for which the European Weed Research Society has become a generous partner.

Under the slogan of *“Weeds—local problems/global challenge”*, which was selected based on submissions of IWSS members, we expect to attract the attention of the agricultural community about the importance of weeds in the global economy and the particular needs to solve local weed problems in distinct agricultural systems.

We hope that you will find the information presented in this circular useful to help you plan your participation in our congress and to contribute to make it a real success.

Best regards,

Bernal E. Valverde
President IWSS

On behalf of the host organizations, CWSS-SCM and WSSA, I want to extend a sincere invitation to all to attend the 2008 International Weed Science Congress in Vancouver, Canada. Vancouver is a beautiful, cosmopolitan city that is widely recognized as one of the best cities in the world. The science program will be of high quality and there will be ample opportunity to network with colleagues. An all-day agricultural/tourist tour is planned mid-week so that everyone can see some of the local sights. Additionally, numerous recreational opportunities exist for everyone before and after the Congress. All of Canada welcomes you.

Bob Blackshaw
Host Organizing Committee

About IWSS, WSSA and CWSS-SCM

The International Weed Science Society (IWSS) was formed in 1975 by individuals from Europe, North America, South America, and the Asian-Pacific area, to deal with global weed science issues. The IWSS is a worldwide scientific organization, open to all who are interested in weeds and their control. The formation of IWSS was promoted actively by the six existing regional weed science societies. The purpose of IWSS is to supplement and complement their vital role and to provide a global forum for scientific discussion and collaboration. Additionally, IWSS provides benefits and functions of a weed science society not currently existing at a national or regional level.

The Society has held four highly successful international Weed Control Congresses; In Australia (1992), Denmark (1996), Brazil (2000), and South Africa (2004). The 5th International Weed Science Congress will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada in association with the Canadian Weed Science Society (CWSS-SCM) and the Weed Science Society of America (WSSA).

The CWSS-SCM is a vibrant national society dedicated to the study and understanding of weeds and invasive plant species, and their impact on the agricultural landscape and to disseminate weed science knowledge across Canada and beyond. CWSS-SCM members are dedicated to a proactive approach to issues related to weed management. The CWSS-SCM Working Groups are specifically designed to address crucial issues that challenge agriculture's stakeholders, from farmers to research scientists.

The WSSA is a non-profit professional society, which promotes research, education, and extension outreach activities related to weeds; provides science-based information to the public and policy makers; and fosters awareness of weeds and their impacts on managed and natural ecosystems.

Theme of the Congress

The theme of the 5th International Weed Science Congress is "Weeds – local problems/global challenge." It will contribute to the core goals of weed research and the empowerment of peoples to manage weeds more effectively for better livelihoods and for conserving global biological diversity. We expect to attract the attention of the agricultural community about the importance of weeds in the global economy and the particular needs to solve local weed problems in distinct agricultural systems.

Language

The official language of the 5th International Congress will be English. All abstracts and oral presentations will be in English without translation.

Host City and Venue

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada is a dynamic, multicultural city set in a spectacular natural environment. Nestled between majestic mountains and sparkling ocean, Vancouver is one of the most beautiful cities in the world, offering an unforgettable meeting and convention experience. Cultural attraction highlights include the Vancouver Art Gallery, UBC Museum of Anthropology, Vancouver Museum and the Vancouver Maritime Museum. The mild climate and diverse geography offer an abundance of outdoor pursuits for all interests. Vancouver is the launching point for spectacular Alaska cruises and British Columbia's beautiful capital city of Victoria is just a quick ferry, floatplane, or helicopter ride away. Spot Orca whales and sea lions en route as the ferry makes its way through the picturesque Gulf Islands. A scenic 90-minute drive north along the Sea to Sky Highway leads to Whistler, North America's #1 ski resort. Along the way, there are excellent photo and hiking opportunities, including the stunning Shannon Falls and the rugged Squamish Chief rock face. Travel east through the rolling farmlands of the Fraser Valley to delightful Harrison Hot Springs, then on to BC's Okanagan wine country and the incredible Canadian Rocky Mountains.



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Trade Exhibition

One of the features of the 5th International Congress will be a Trade Exhibition at which the latest in weed science technology related accessories and products and services will be on view. The Trade Exhibition and the poster displays will be easily accessible for both the delegates and for the exhibitors. This area will be the focal point for the entire congress.

Meals and Refreshments

Tea, coffee and light snack during the energy breaks, daily lunch, an opening reception and a banquet for delegates are included in the registration fee. Accompanying persons will be entitled to the opening reception and the banquet.

Important Dates and Deadlines

CONGRESS DATES:

Congress	23–27 June 2008
Pre-Conference Workshop Statistical Assessment of Non-Linear Regression Models	22 June 2008
Registration and Welcome Ceremony	22 June 2008
Congress Excursion	25 June 2008
Banquet	26 June 2008
Closing Ceremony	27 June 2008

DEADLINE DATES:

Abstract Submission and Registration Opens	15 October 2007
Deadline for Application for the Graduate Student Award	20 December 2007
Deadline for Submission of Abstracts	15 February 2008
Deadline for Early Bird Registration	2 March 2008
Deadline for Standard Registration	15 April 2008

Scientific Program Themes

Main Topics	Main Topic Organizers and Co-organizers
1. Biology, Dynamics And Ecology Of Weeds	Clarence Swanton, Canada cswanton@uoguelph.ca Jon Marshall, Great Britain jon.marshall@agroecol.co.uk
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21. Spotlights On Global Weeds	Ricardo Labrada, Italy ricardo.labrada@fao.org Rm Kathiresan, India rm.kathiresan@sify.com
22. Synthetic Herbicides—Mode/mechanism Of Action And Safeners	Cliff Gerwick, USA cgerwick@dow.com Hiroshi Matsumoto, Japan hmatsu@biol.tsukuba.ac.jp

Provisional Program

Monday, June 23

08:30 to 09:15	Opening Ceremony
09:15 to 10:45	Concurrent Sessions 1
10:45 to 11:15	Energy Break
11:15 to 12:15	Concurrent Sessions 1 (continued)
12:15 to 12:45	Poster Discussion
12:45 to 14:15	Lunch
14:15 to 16:45	Poster Session 1
16:45 to 18:15	Concurrent Sessions 2

Tuesday, June 24

08:30 to 09:15	Plenary Session
09:15 to 10:45	Concurrent Sessions 3
10:45 to 11:15	Energy Break
11:15 to 12:15	Concurrent Sessions 3 (continued)
12:15 to 12:45	Poster Discussion
12:45 to 14:15	Lunch
14:15 to 16:45	Poster Session 2
16:45 to 17:45	Concurrent Sessions 2 (continued)
17:45 to 18:15	Poster Discussion

Wednesday, June 25

08:30 to 18:15	Excursion
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Thursday, June 26

08:30 to 09:15	Plenary Session
09:15 to 10:45	Concurrent Sessions 4
10:45 to 11:15	Energy Break
11:15 to 12:15	Concurrent Sessions 4 (continued)
12:15 to 12:45	Poster Discussion
12:45 to 14:15	Lunch
14:15 to 16:00	Concurrent Sessions 5
16:00 to 16:30	Energy Break
16:30 to 17:15	Concurrent Sessions 5 (continued)
17:15 to 17:45	Poster Discussion
18:15	Congress Banquet

Friday, June 27

08:30 to 09:15	Plenary Session
09:15 to 10:45	Concurrent Sessions 6
10:45 to 11:15	Energy Break
11:15 to 12:15	Concurrent Sessions 6 (continued)
12:15 to 12:45	Poster Discussion
12:45 to 14:15	Lunch
14:15 to 15:15	Closing Session & General Assembly

5th International Weed Science Congress Excursions

There will be all-day agricultural/tourist tours on Wednesday, 25 June. Tour costs are included in the congress delegate registration fee so that everyone can readily participate. Additional tour tickets for accompanying persons are available for \$40.00. A boxed lunch will be provided for all excursion participants. At the time of this printing, we anticipate that busses will be picking up at the hotel at approximately 8:00am, with your return to the hotel scheduled for 6:15pm.

Vancouver is a spectacular site for the 5th International Weed Science Congress and we would like to showcase the beautiful scenery of this region as well as explore the agricultural diversity. We invite you to choose an excursion and enjoy the sites!

Tour A – This tour will highlight the picturesque sites of the Fraser Valley and demonstrate the blending of agriculture and tourism. This area is primarily agricultural land with a vast array of farms ranging from small fruit farms to small cottage wineries. You will have the opportunity to visit a cranberry farm in full production as well as view the processing facilities available in the Fraser Valley. The highlight of this tour will most likely be the visit to the winery complete with wine tasting and a chance to purchase some wines to enjoy once you are back at home!

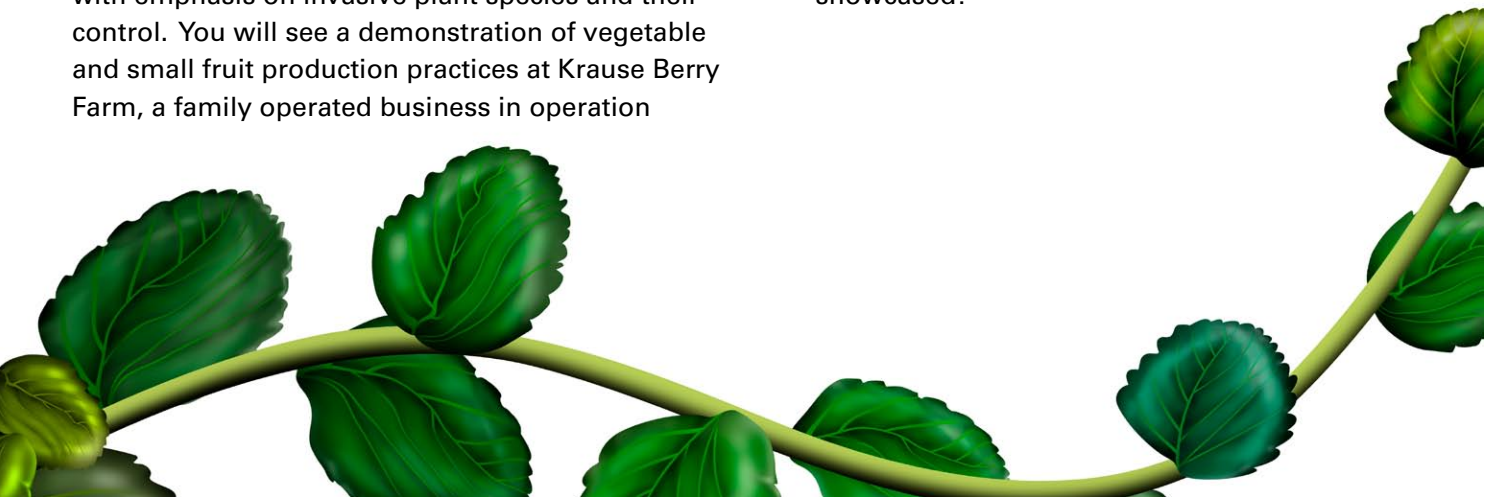
Tour B – This tour will take you to the University of British Columbia Botanical Gardens as well as the Fraser Valley highlighting the varied plant life that is adapted to the climate in the Vancouver region with emphasis on invasive plant species and their control. You will see a demonstration of vegetable and small fruit production practices at Krause Berry Farm, a family operated business in operation

since 1974. The finale will be a visit to the Domaine de Chaberton Estate Winery in Langley for a wine tasting and viewing of the Winery.

Tour C – This tour will take you to the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Research Centre and introduce you to leading research on greenhouse and field production of vegetables (including weed management). You will also be guided through the orchard and processing facilities at Canadian Hazelnut a working farm that processes hazelnuts as well as sells a variety of hazelnut products from roasted hazelnuts to hazelnut oil. This tour will finish off at the Fort Wine Company for a wine tasting.


Tour D – This tour starts with a stop at the UBC Malcolm Knapp Research Forest Centre where participants will learn of leading research on sustainable forestry practices. You will then continue on to the PRT Group- Pelton Nursery to see modern tree nursery practices before continuing on to Aqualina Cranberries where you will tour a cranberry bog and production facility before ending the tour at the Blue Heron Winery. This winery also has a cranberry bog as well as blueberry production. Enjoy a wine tasting before returning back to the hotel.

The excursions are all designed to highlight different aspects of agriculture in and around Vancouver and showcase the scenic beauty of the area, as well as take the conference out of the conference centre and allow all participants to socialize. Each tour contains a stop at a winery as the lower mainland has a cottage industry of wineries which should be showcased!



Professional Workshops

The planning committee is planning various professional workshops. As of the date of printing of this circular, this workshop has been confirmed. Please check the website for future announcements of additional workshops.

Workshop by 

EWRS* Education and Training Working Group's

Nonlinear regression problems in weed science with the free software R

Time: Sunday 22 of June 2008, 8:00-16:00

Course Description

Herbicides are designed to kill plants and their selectivity in crops is a question of dose. Thus, non-linear dose-response curves are fundamental to understanding herbicide selectivity and efficacy. This principle can be extended to other branches of weed management, e.g. allelopathy, flame weeding, weed steaming, physical control, laser cutting, radiation, weed crop competition and germination curves.

The aim is to make participants able to succinctly assess, for example, toxicity weed crop competition on the basis of proper choice of response models and compare response curves statistically using the free software programme R and a specific developed extension package, drc, developed for weed scientists and freely downloadable at URL: www.bioassay.dk. Additionally, the package drc can also be used to fit germination curves and user-defined functions, for example competition models.

Course Content

- The concept of nonlinear response curves
- Installation of R and how to work with the programme.
- Fitting and comparing response curves, e.g.: discrete versus gradual endpoints, relative versus raw data, upper and lower limits, measurement of efficacy and index of selectivity of herbicides, competitive ability, germination ability and bioassay design, heterogeneity of variance.
- Working on handout data or, preferentially, own data.

Fee and Duration

Eight hours; IWSS members USD \$100, others USD \$150

Participants

Graduates and postgraduate students, weed scientists in public and private institutions.

There will be a maximum of 30 attendants on a first-come, first-served basis.

Course Material

Course material will be uploaded at the www.bioassay.dk website one week prior to the workshop. Participants must bring their own computer.

Prerequisite

Basic knowledge of statistics, including regression analysis, would be preferable.

*European Weed Research Society

Weedy Rice Workshop

Towards the development and establishment of a Global Weedy Rice Initiative

Sunday, 22 June 2008

2:00pm-5:30pm

Workshop purpose

Weedy *Oryza* species, particularly *O. sativa* (feral forms of the cultivated species) infest rice fields throughout the world and cause severe yield and quality losses. Being taxonomically identical or very closely related to the crop, weedy rice is extremely difficult to control by conventional means and is on the increase as more land is transformed from transplanting to direct seeding. New technologies, particularly the development and commercial introduction of herbicide-resistant varieties, offer new opportunities to selectively manage weedy rice but pose the risk of aggravating the problem through the movement and establishment of the resistance genes by gene flow and introgression. The workshop aims to provide a opportunity to discuss the current situation of weedy rice, recent advances in research and to launch a Global Weedy Rice Initiative to develop an effective network for the systematic and coordinated study of weedy rice, the dissemination

of information, sharing of biological material, and a discussion forum to better understand and manage this important weed in the most relevant human food crop.

Workshop format

There will be four invited talks and two offered oral presentations. Posters will also be accepted and time will be allocated to brief summarize the information presented. The rest of the time will be devoted to ample discussion and to the establishment of the Initiative (pertinent material will be distributed in advance).

Who can contribute?

Any registered participant in the Congress can submit a paper. Abstracts of all papers will be included in the Congress Abstract CD. Please make sure to timely submit your abstract (on or before 15 January 2008) following the official guidelines given in the Call for Abstracts on the IWSS website.

Who can participate?

The workshop is open to participants registered in the Congress who can submit papers and attend the workshop. There is no additional cost for participating but make sure to confirm attendance in advance. For further information please contact:

Bernal E. Valverde, Costa Rica

bev@life.ku.dk or ideatrop@ice.co.cr

Weeds & Biodiversity Workshop

Sunday, 22 June 2008

8:00am-4:00pm

Workshop purpose

We want this workshop to be a discussion forum on the role of weeds in contributing to biodiversity in agricultural ecosystems. A more diverse weed community can be seen as a threat to crop productivity, particularly when densities are beyond acceptable thresholds. On the other hand, weeds can contribute to the diversity of other trophic levels and, in doing so, provide various ecological services. Ultimately, weeds can serve as indicators of sustainability. The challenge is thus to reconcile contradicting views and develop

a biodiversity framework that will allow both productivity and sustainability.

There is no fee for this workshop; however, registration is limited to 50 participants.

For more information please contact:

Anne Legère

legere@agr.gc.ca

Audio Visual and Technical Equipment

Once a paper has been invited or designated as an oral presentation, the presenter will be notified. MS PowerPoint is the only medium for oral presentations. Speakers are requested to bring a CD-ROM or flash USB memory with their presentation to be loaded into the integrated computer system OR it can be sent to the Congress Organizers via email provided the file size does not exceed 2 MB. A preparation room will be available on site for the duration of the congress for the convenience of the speakers.

Communications

Local calls are currently \$1.49 CA per call for those staying at the Westin Bayshore Resort and Marina. In-room wireless or LAN high-speed Internet service is available at a cost of \$14.95 CA per 24 hours or \$19.95 CA per 24 hours for the "telecom Package" which includes High-speed internet access and unlimited local and long distance phone calls within North America. High-speed Wired is available in all guestrooms and High-speed Wireless is available in the Tower Guestrooms. Pay phones are located at



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several locations in the main lobby and close to the meeting rooms. International phone cards can be obtained at several local merchants and from the gift shop in the Hotel.

At the University of British Columbia housing, high-speed internet service (Res Net) is available in all guest rooms in the Gage Towers. Guests can plug their computers into the Res Net port located beside the phone jack in their rooms. Guests must provide their own computer, software, network card and patch cable. The fee for this service is \$10 CA per day + 6% GST per guest.

Posters

Contributed posters will be displayed for the duration of the congress. One board 120 x 120 cm and an easel will be provided for each poster paper. There will be no exceptions to the rule of one board per paper.

Text, graphs, and tables must be easily read from a distance of ca. 2 m. Titles and headings should be larger and readable from a greater distance. Because of cost and logistics, it will not be possible to provide electrical connections, telephone lines for computer connections, video equipment (VCR and video monitor), or other special equipment for posters. A clear photograph of the presenting author should appear on the poster to assist delegates in identifying the author.

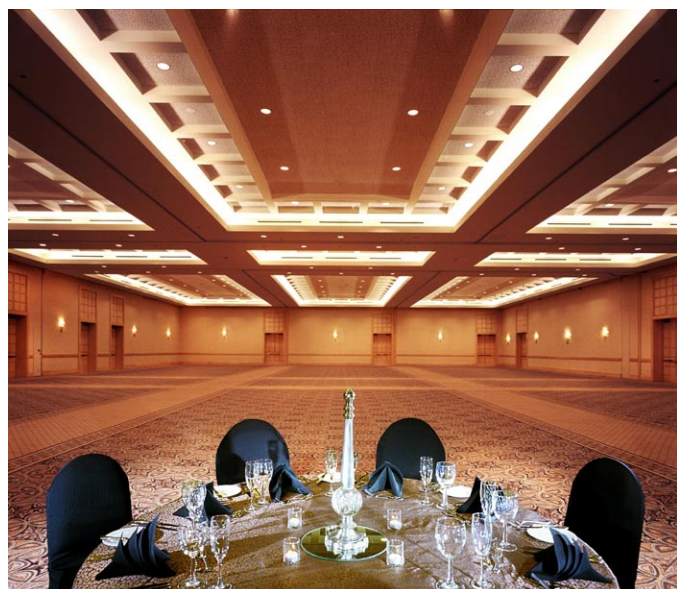


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Posters should be set up for display on Sunday 22 June from 12:00 to 18:00 and removed on Friday 27 June between 12:45 and 14:00. Materials not removed during this period will be considered as abandoned and discarded.

The presenting author will be expected to be present at the posters for the designated time and to participate in the Poster Discussion Session as specified in the program.

Student Poster Award

The student posters will be judged by the Scientific Program Committee and the three best posters will be awarded prizes at the banquet.

Abstracts

Abstract submission will open on 15 October, 2007. Abstracts should be prepared according to the instructions given below and as they appear on the on-line abstract submission site. They need to be submitted for consideration for inclusion in the congress program no later than 15 February 2008.

The purpose of the abstract is to convey sufficient information to delegates for them to decide which session to attend. The abstract is therefore an important addition to the presentation and deserves careful planning. It must therefore be completely self-explanatory. The abstract must include the following:

1. Rationale or justification for the research
2. Objectives
3. A brief description of methods used
4. Results
5. Conclusions

The abstract should not exceed 300 words for all presenters other than invited speakers. Remember that the Abstract CD will be prepared directly from your abstract so you will need to make sure your final manuscript is accurate, clear, complete, grammatically correct and without spelling or typographical errors. We cannot accept responsibility for errors or omissions in the published abstract CD. It is the author's responsibility to proofread the final abstract. You will be able to edit your abstract on-line

after submission until the submission period is closed. Formatting will be automated through the on-line submission system.

Graduate Students Award— A Competition

The IWSS has decided to continue with its tradition to encourage the participation of graduate (M.Sc. and Ph.D.) students in the coming 5th International Congress. A limited number of awards will cover registration fees, accommodation, and part of the travel expenses. The Graduate Students Award Committee will select the awardees according to the following criteria:

1. The candidate must be enrolled as a M.Sc. or Ph.D. student, pursuing a degree related to weed science as of 20 December 2007.
2. Submission should be in the form of up to a 5 page manuscript including tables, figures and photos (PDF file-font 12, 1.5 space and 3 cm margin throughout), with abstract, introduction, materials and methods, results, and discussion. Deadline for submission is 20 December 2007.
3. Submissions will be appraised based on the following merits: quality of research, novelty, contribution to the discipline of weed science and to the Society.
4. Submissions should include a letter of commitment from the major professor or institution to provide additional travel support if the student should receive the award from IWSS.
5. All material should be sent via e-mail, no later than 20 December 2007 to the

Coordinator of the Graduate Students Award Committee. Contact details and specific instructions will be available at the opening of the abstract submission period.

The IWSS is grateful to the EWRS for its financial support to partially cover these important awards. The students submitting the most outstanding paper as selected by the Graduate Students Award Committee will receive the IWSS Larry Burrill Graduate Student Travel Award covering all the expenses to attend the Congress.

Social Functions

The Congress Organizing Committee is working hard to ensure that the social functions are innovative and enjoyable. We recognize that the banquet will be one of the highlights of the Congress and assure you of a memorable evening.

The following social functions are planned at no extra cost for delegates:

Welcome reception and cocktail party

22 June 2008

Opening Ceremony

23 June 2008

Excursion

25 June 2008

Banquet

26 June 2008

Closing Ceremony

27 June 2008



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Map Link

www.tourismvancouver.com/visitors/maps

Letters of Invitation

The Congress Organizing Committee will be pleased to send a letter of invitation to any individual who requests one. It should be understood that such an invitation is intended to help potential participants raise travel funds or obtain a visa, and is not a commitment on the part of the conference to provide any financial support. Requests for letters of invitation should be sent to: The president of IWSS, Bernal Valverde [bev@life.ku.dk]

Accommodation

The Congress hotel is the Westin Bayshore Resort and Marina. The Congress also has arranged for inexpensive accommodations for graduate students at the University of British Columbia.

Facing snow-capped mountains and coastal forests on one side and the downtown Vancouver skyline on the other, the Westin Bayshore Resort & Marina is within walking distance of world-class shopping and the scenic natural attractions of Stanley Park. The hotel is located on the shores of Coal Harbour, overlooking Stanley Park and is a short walk to downtown's business district, shopping, and entertainment. It is 30 minutes (19 km) from Vancouver International Airport. All rooms are equipped with dual-line phones with voice mail messaging, coffee maker and complimentary coffee, hair dryer, iron/ironing board, bathrobes, refreshment centre and in-room movies.

At the University of British Columbia, the Congress has made arrangements to have another block of rooms available. The 2008 rates will be confirmed in the fall of 2007 and are subject to an additional 8% Provincial Hotel Tax and 6% GST tax. The Gage Premium Single is a room with a single bed and telephone in a four-bedroom apartment. Guests share washroom, lounge with TV and kitchenette (not equipped with dishes, cookware, etc.). The Gage 1 Bedroom Suites have a queen bed, private washroom, living room with TV and telephone and fully-equipped kitchenette.

Accommodation Name:	Daily Single Rate/Double Rate
Westin Bayshore Resort & Marina	\$ 189.00 USD
	Add \$25 per additional person
University of British Columbia	
Gage Tower Premium	Daily Single Rate \$45 US
Gage Tower 1-Bdr Suite	Daily Rate: \$107 US

Please note that for UBC, these are 2007 rates; 2008 rates cannot be confirmed until the fall of 2007 and will be posted on the IWSS website once 2008 rates are confirmed.

Delegates should book their own rooms. Be sure to mention the 5th International Weed Science Congress to obtain the group rate. The contact information and location of the Westin Bayshore is:

1601 Bayshore Drive · Vancouver, British Columbia V6G 2V4 · Canada · Phone (604) 682-3377 · Fax (604) 687-3102 · Special Offers
Reservations: 866-716-8102 · www.westinbayshore.com

Reservations for UBC will be available through a secure reservation web page link. A hard copy of the Request for Accommodation Form will be available upon request and can be mailed or faxed to the UBC reservations office at (604) 822-1001 or on-line at:

https://reserve.ubconferences.com/pls/wss/html_ui_search.availability?ref=12345&ses=&cha=GROUP&grp=G80621B&arr=06/22/2008&dep=06-27-2008&pro=UBC

Congress Registration and Booking Form

Registration Available on-line at www.wssa.net

Email, fax or post form to: Weed Science Society of America, c/o meeting dept.

810 East 10th • Lawrence, KS 66044 USA • Fax: 785-843-1274 • Email: wssameeting@allenpress.com

Print or type name clearly *as you wish it to appear on your badge*. One form per registrant (only accompanying persons may be included on the same form). Accompanying persons must be registered in order to attend IWSS activities.

First (Given) Name _____ Last (Family) Name _____

Company/Institution _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Accompanying Person(s) _____

Accompanying Person(s) E-mail _____

Registration Category	Early Through 2 March 2008	Standard Between 3 March and 15 April 2008	Final After 15 April 2008	No. of People	Amount in US\$
Delegate: IWSS Member	US \$450	US \$550	US \$650	___ 1 ___	_____
Delegate: Non-Member	US \$550	US \$650	US \$750	___ 1 ___	_____
Student: bona fide full time*	US \$200	US \$200	US \$200	___ 1 ___	_____
Accompanying Person	US \$100	US \$100	US \$100	_____	_____

Pre-Conference Workshops

- EWRS Education & Training Work Group, 22 June, 8:00am-4:00pm
 - Member Rate: US \$100.00
 - Non-Member/Student Rate: US \$150.00

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- Weeds & Biodiversity Workshop, 22 June, 8:00am-4:00pm
 - No registration fee

\$ FREE
- Weedy Rice Workshop, 22 June, 2:00pm-5:30pm
 - No registration fee

\$ FREE

IWSS Membership Fee US \$15 **IWSS Life Membership** US \$200

To join the IWSS, go to the official IWSS website <http://iws.ucdavis.edu/> and follow instructions.

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Tour A: Ocean Spray of Canada, BC Hothouse, Township 7 Winery or Sanduz Estate Wines	
Tour B: UBC Botanical Gardens, Krause Berry Farm, Domaine de Chaberton Estate Winery	
Tour C: Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada, Canadian Hazelnut, The Fort Wine Company	
Tour D: UBC Malcolm Knapp Research Forest, PRT Group—Pelton Nursery, Berry farms, Blue Heron Winery	

Accompanying Persons Excursions: 25 June, 8:30am-6:15pm

You may bring your guests along on the Excursion for which you've registered—please select from the list below:

Tour Descriptions	#	Price	Total
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