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# **XV EUCARPIA Fruit Breeding and Genetics Symposium**

The European Association for Research on Plant Breeding (EUCARPIA), the International Society for Horticultural Science (ISHS), Research and Breeding Institute of Pomology Holovousy Ltd. (RBIPH) and the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague cordially invite you to participate in **XV EUCARPIA Fruit Breeding and Genetics Symposium**.

# This is the First announcement for XV EUCARPIA Fruit Breeding and Genetics Symposium, to be held in Prague, the Czech Republic, from the 3rd (Monday) to 7th (Friday) June 2019.

The symposium offers a great opportunity to meet with leading professionals in the field of fruit genetic resources and their use in fruit breeding.

We welcome everyone engaged in basic and applied research, teaching, and production related to breeding, cultivation and utilization of fruit genetic resources.

We hope that symposium will be an exciting science event with diverse and innovative programme. We will balance high-quality science presentations with informal discussions.

The XV EUCARPIA Fruit Breeding and Genetics Symposium will be held in the Study and Information Centre SIC of the Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague – Suchdol. The location is convenient for a good traffic connection to Vaclav Havel Airport Prague and at the same time with a good background for Symposium participants. Prague is famous for its cultural and scientific heritage since centuries.

We invite abstract submissions for oral and poster presentations, on all topics related to Fruit Breeding and Genetics:

- Biodiversity and Genetic resources
- Fruit Breeding
- Molecular Genetics and Biotechnology
- Resistance to biotic and abiotic stress
- Fruit safety and quality

Modern fruit growing must adapt to a changing climate while maintaining/improving yield and quality, and decreasing inputs.

In this context, the symposium will highlight the most recent scientific progress aimed at the genetic improvement of major fruit crops like apple, pear, sweet cherry, plum etc.

## **Presumed Timetable**

#### Monday 3rd June 2019

16:00 beginning of registration19:00 official opening by the organizing committee and welcome address by institutional representatives, opening scientific presentationWelcome reception

#### Tuesday 4th June 2019

Morning and afternoon : registration, oral and poster sessions Evening: Tour of the Prague

#### Wednesday 5th June 2019

Morning and afternoon : oral and poster sessions

#### Thursday 6th June 2019

Morning and afternoon : oral and poster sessions Closing remarks and end of the symposium at 3 pm Closing dinner

#### Friday 7th June 2019

Technical tours - excursions in fruit plantations Visit of Research and Breeding Institute of Pomology Holovousy Ltd.

Besides the scientific program, the symposium will also include a one-day technical visit in Czech fruit production plantations and in the completely new construction of Research and Breeding Institute of Pomology Holovousy Ltd.

#### Fee participants (EUR)

	ISHS/ EUCARPIA member	ISHS/ EUCARPIA member student	Non- ISHS/EUCARPIA member	1-day participation	Closing dinner
	June, 3-7	June, 3-7	June, 3-7		June, 6
Registration before March 31 2019	700	600	800	300	100
Registration after March 31 2019	800	700	900	300	100

The final symposium programme is still under construction, but it will certainly be worth the trip, and especially if you present your work!

Please, distribute this announcement to your colleagues who may be interested! Do not hesitate to contact us about more details. Looking forward to seeing you in Prague.

#### Jiri Sedlak, convener, on behalf of the Organizing Committee

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