



XVI International Plant Protection Congress

In association with IAPPS and the BCPC International Congress & Exhibition

15 - 18 October 2007 Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre, Glasgow, Scotland, UK

Arable crop protection
 Asian soybean rust
 Beneficial organisms
 Biofuels and bioenergy
 Biological control
 Biopharmaceuticals
 Biosensors
 Bioterrorism
 Directive 91/414
 Disease forecasting
 Formulation and application
 Horticultural crop protection
 Invasive alien species
 Mycotoxins
 Natural resistance
 Neonicotinoids
 New compounds
 Organic production
Phytophthora ramorum et al.
 Poverty alleviation
 Post-harvest storage
 Residues in food
 Resistance
 Semiochemicals
 Sociological and ethical issues
 Tropical and subtropical crops
 Viruses and phytoplasmas
 Water





The 2007 Congress

BCPC and the International Association for the Plant Protection Sciences (IAPPS) are delighted to announce that the XVI International Plant Protection Congress (IAPPS) is to be held in association with the BCPC International Conference & Exhibition – Crop Science & Technology 2007. IAPPS Congresses are held every four years at different locations around the world – the last one was hosted by the China Society of Plant Protection in Beijing – so BCPC welcomes IAPPS delegates to Glasgow.

As a result, the BCPC Congress in 2007 will be a much expanded event with the scientific programme extended and running for a full four days. The annual BCPC event is already acknowledged as the main event in the crop protection calendar – so the 2007 Congress will be an event not to be missed.

The Congress venue

The 2007 Congress and Exhibition will, once again, be held at the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) in Glasgow. The SECC is one of Europe's finest and most flexible conference venues with on-site parking, hotels, restaurants, bank, medical and business centres.

The SECC has been the location for the annual BCPC events since 2003 and has proved itself as a popular venue with both Congress delegates, exhibitors, exhibition visitors and all those who simply attend this event for commercial reasons.

The city of Glasgow

Glasgow, the UK's fourth largest city, is one of the liveliest and most cosmopolitan destinations in Europe. The city has been reborn as a centre of style and vitality set against a backdrop of outstanding Victorian architecture. Glasgow boasts the best shopping in the United Kingdom outside London, and the most vibrant nightlife in Scotland.

Art and culture are important in Glasgow life – world famous galleries and museums are in abundance – most with free admission. A very useful website to review details about Glasgow is www.seeglasgow.com

Commercial opportunities

Running alongside the Congress is the highly popular BCPC Exhibition. Taking an exhibition stand allows organisations to generate sales leads, launch new products, build brand images and maintain customer relations. Over 2,000 people visit the Exhibition representing over 90 countries. Full details about the Exhibition can be found at www.bcpc.org/IPPC2007/exhibition.

In addition to exhibition stands, hospitality booths in the exhibition area can be booked as can hospitality suites in nearby hotels. Further commercial opportunities are available. Contact Becky Dyer at BCPC to discuss.

Finally, new for 2007 is the launch of the Agrow Industry Awards, co-hosted by Agrow and BCPC. These awards aim to celebrate and promote the industry's outstanding achievements and will culminate in a gala evening to be held at the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum on 16 October 2007. See www.agrowawards.com for further details.

The Congress programme

Running over four days (15 - 18 October 2007), the Congress programme will cover a very wide subject area. Familiar topics such as arable and horticultural crop protection in both temperate and tropical climates, biological control, resistance, organic production and beneficial organisms will naturally be covered. In addition, the well known new compounds and new uses session will obviously be included.

More novel sessions have also been incorporated within the programme. These include biofuels and bioenergy, bioterrorism, biosensors, biopharmaceuticals, viruses and phytoplasmata. Specialist sessions including post-harvest disease control, neonicotinoides, semiochemicals, soybean rust and mycotoxins will provide added value to the extensive programme.

Other new developments in the programme include sessions covering much wider social issues – worldwide agriculture is under the spotlight – all citizens are consumers of agricultural products. Technical expertise may have improved, but increasingly a series of social, ethical and environmental concerns have to be met – as illustrated by the attempts to introduce transgenic crops into Europe. Also to be discussed is the role agriculture plays in the alleviation of poverty globally. This topic forms an entire day's programme and is being organised by the Pest Management Group of the Society for Chemical Industry.

2007 is the centenary of the birth of Rachel Carson. The occasion will be marked by a debate centred on the issues with which she was concerned. *Silent Spring*, published in 1962, dealt not only with pesticides. The proposal to be debated is – *This House Believes That Rachel Carson Would Not Today Have Written Silent Spring*. Leading for the motion will be led by Dr Lewis Smith from Syngenta, Jealott's Hill, Bracknell, UK, with the opposition being led by Lord Peter Melchett, Policy Director from the Soil Association, Bristol, UK.

The Congress opens on Monday 15 October 2007 with the opening ceremony which includes the presentation of the IAPPS International Plant Protection Award of Distinction (IPPAD) and the Congress keynote lectures. These are to be presented by Dr Christian Verschuere, (Director General of CropLife International, Brussels, Belgium), who will address the progress being made by the industry in providing responsible stewardship, whilst looking at what still needs to be done in the future. Professor Tony Hardy, (Science Director, Agri-Environment, Central Science Laboratory, York, UK and Chair of the European Food Safety Authority Scientific Panel on Plant Protection Products and their Residues) will address current concerns of food safety. Finally Simon Browne, (Meyrick Estates, Winchester, UK) will consider practical farming in this technology rich age.

With over 40 platform sessions, discussion fora and debate, fully supported by complementary poster sessions, this Congress promises to be an essential event for all interested in crop protection and crop production. Researchers are invited to offer platform or poster papers to this event – a full listing of topics and how to offer a paper is shown on the next page.

Registration details for delegates will be available in mid 2007.



Offer a paper

Offers of papers for presentation to any of the topics covered by the Congress are sought. You may offer your presentation as a verbal platform paper, as a free-standing display poster board, or both. Authors of all accepted offers are required to produce a paper for publication in the Congress proceedings.

A full list of Congress topics is shown alongside. Some of the topics will be of two, or even four, platform session lengths so facilitating a large number of presentations. Subject to suitable offers, each topic will consist of a platform and a complementary poster session.

All offers of papers or posters can **only** be made via the Congress website at www.bcp.org/IPPC2007/offers. All offers must be submitted **before 5 April 2007**[†].

On the website, authors will be asked to complete an 'Offer a Presentation form' and must provide the proposed title plus a brief synopsis (150 - 200 words) of their presentation. Full contact details for the corresponding author will be required. All authors must also indicate to which topic they are offering their presentation.

Timetable

All offers must be received before **5 April 2007**[†] and will then be reviewed by the Congress Programme Committee. Authors will be advised if their presentation has been accepted for inclusion in the Congress by early May 2007. The Programme Committee reserves the right to redirect an offer from one topic to another, if appropriate.

Each topic is managed by a Topic Organiser who will become the author's main point of contact. Each Topic Organiser will liaise with authors regarding the production, in the desired format, of their scripts for publication in the proceedings.

All papers for publication within the Congress proceedings are required to be in English and two pages in length. All paper scripts will be handled electronically.

Author's registration concession

One author from each platform and poster presentation will be able to register for the Congress at the highly favourable rate of £200 to cover all administrative aspects. Attendance at the event, and the inclusion of each paper in the proceedings, is dependent upon payment of this reduced fee.

Post-graduate student posters

Post-graduate students are invited to present the results of their research at this major international congress and to benefit from the considerable networking opportunities this exposure presents. Subjects may be from any topic relevant to the Congress and all accepted presentations will be entered into the Post-graduate student poster competition.

Each post-graduate student accepted into this session will receive free Congress registration.

[†] Deadline for offers to the new compounds session is 25 May 2007.

Congress topics

Session title

Advances in the diagnosis and forecasting of plant diseases

Arable crop protection at the crossroads!*

Assessing and managing the risks posed by invasive alien species*

Beyond Directive 91/414 – what will the new regulation mean in practice?

Biodiversity in cropping systems*

Biopharmaceuticals

Biosensors – a role in diagnostics

Bioterrorism – identifying the threats and preventing damage

Changes in land use

Chemical residues in food

Closing the yield gap: crop protection for poverty alleviation**

Crop protection practice: formulae for success

Developments in crop protection, including IPM-strategies, in modern horticulture*

Efficacy of biological control, using living organisms and natural products*

Formulation and application technology for the future

Mycotoxins – a food safety issue

Natural resistance mechanisms of plants: arms race or balancing selection?

Neonicotinoid insecticides – present status and future challenges

New compounds, new concepts, new uses and new approaches[†]

Organic production

Phytophthora ramorum and related pathogens

Post-harvest and storage biology

Post-graduate student posters

Resistance to crop protection agents: monitoring, mechanisms and management*

Securing crop feedstock for the expanding biofuel and bioenergy markets

Semiochemicals in practice

Sociological and ethical issues of crop protection

The threat of Asian soybean rust – fact or fancy?

The use of beneficial organisms in plant protection – population level management

Tropical and subtropical crop protection*

Viruses, phytoplasmas and their transmission

Water – a valuable but declining resource

* Double session offering increased opportunities for contribution.

** All day topic covering four sessions, organised by the Society for Chemical Industry.



Hotel accommodation in Glasgow

Glasgow offers participants an excellent choice of accommodation in a range of hotels, which stand out both for their high quality and good value for money. The Conference Accommodation Booking Service of the Glasgow City Marketing Bureau (GCMB) has negotiated specially discounted rates with a wide range of hotels. A free of charge BCPC shuttle-bus service will run throughout the duration of the Congress. This service will run on two routes and serves the main city centre hotels.

Hotel bookings can be made direct from the Congress website at www.bcpc.org/IPPC2007/hotels or contact the GCMB at:

GCMB
11 George Square
Glasgow
G2 1DY
UK

Tel: (0) 141 566 0621
Email: accommodation@seeglasgow.com
Web: www.seeglasgow.com



© BCPC October 2006.



Travelling to Glasgow

Glasgow is easy to get to. Glasgow International Airport (10 km from the city centre) and Prestwick International Airport (45 km by direct train service) have direct, low cost flights from many international and regional airports. Glasgow can also be accessed easily by road and train.

To see if there is a direct flight from an airport near you, and for full travel information, go to the BCPC website at www.bcpc.org/IPPC2007/travel



Further information

Full details about the conference, the exhibition, hospitality booths and suites, registration and travel can be found on the 2006 conference and exhibition website at www.bcpc.org/IPPC2007. This site is regularly updated and further details are added when they become available. Alternatively, contact the organisers:

BCPC
7 Omni Business Centre
Omega Park
Alton
Hampshire
GU34 2QD
UK

Tel: (0) 1420 593 200
Fax: (0) 1420 593 209
Email: md@bcpc.org
Web: www.bcpc.org



Co-hosted by
Agrow and BCPC

www.agrowawards.com

Important Date for your Diary

The Inaugural Agrow Awards co-hosted
by Agrow and BCPC

The premier showcase of excellence in the Agrochemical industry

Tuesday 16 October 2007

Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum Scotland, UK

For further details contact Stuart Blacklock

+44 (0)20 7017 6773

stuart.blacklock@informa.com