

INTERNATIONAL MEETING

Innovative and sustainable approaches to control the Red Palm Weevil (RPW)

CIHEAM Bari, 23 - 25 October 2018



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DRAFT PROGRAMME

Tuesday, October 23th

- **Opening** (CIHEAM, FAO, other Institutions)
- **Session 1.1** Date palm value chain development and RPW control
- **Session 1.2** RPW invasion: State of the art (World situation, Policies)
- **Session 1.3** Environmental and socio-economic impact
- **Session 1.4** Ongoing and future activities in the RPW infested countries
- **Session 1.5** Pest-host plant interactions
- **Session 1.6** RPW symbionts and associated organisms.
- **Poster session**

Wednesday, October 24th

- **Session 2.1** Environmentally safe and sustainable tools for RPW management
- **Session 2.2** Monitoring, surveillance and phytosanitary measures
- **Session 2.3** Innovative and emerging technologies in RPW control strategy
- **Session 2.4** Innovative integrated approaches and technology transfer to control RPW.
- **Poster session**

Thursday, October 25th

- **Session 3.1** RPW management: gaps, challenges and prospects
- Recommendations and discussion
- Conclusions and closing

Afternoon

Side meeting of the organizing and scientific committees

- ✓ Discussion of the international meeting outcomes
- ✓ Elaboration and signing of an official declaration by the representatives of the relevant organizations attending the event.
- ✓ Selection of the most promising technologies/innovative tools to control RPW and proposal for field validation trials in the main palm growing areas.

Note: The programme can be slightly modified, based on the submitted contributions

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

24 th July	2 nd Announcement
3 rd September	Deadline for Pre-Registration/ Registration
17 th August	Deadline for abstract submissions (oral communications / posters)
7 th September	Final acceptance and finalization of the technical and logistic program

- The Registration details are available in [the registration form](#)
Please note that there are **NO REGISTRATION FEES**
- The abstracts (oral communications and posters) should be submitted by following the indications reported in the [abstract form](#)

ACCOMODATION

Special rates* will be provided for the participants in the following hotels:

	Price for Single Room
Hotel Federiciano , Valenzano	40,00€
Hotel Boston , Bari	60,00€
Hotel Palace , Bari	104,00€
Hotel Oriente , Bari	135,00€

* Use the **RPW Congress** code for your hotel booking.