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

24th July 2nd Announcement
3rd September Deadline for Pre-Registration/ Registration
17th August Deadline for abstract submissions (oral communications /posters)
7th 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

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