

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Scientific Committee invites authors to submit abstracts for consideration and inclusion into the programme. All abstracts must be written in English and the required format (see below). Abstracts can be submitted only via the congress website: www.wptc2010.com

Abstracts sent by fax cannot be accepted.

The deadline for submission of abstracts is 24.00 GMT on Sunday, March 15th, 2010.

Abstracts received after this date cannot be considered for evaluation. Notifications about acceptance will be mailed out **April 6th, 2010**. Together with the confirmation of acceptance, authors will be asked to confirm their attendance by completing the congress registration form and paying the appropriate fee.

Oral presentations

Although up to five authors' names can be included in the abstract, only one author is allowed to do the presentation. The scheduled time for each presentation is 10 minutes; at the end of each lecture session all the previously presented talks will be discussed. At this time the presence of the presenter is required.

Posters

Posters will be grouped according to the congress topics, and listed and numbered according to the abstract book. Furthermore, they will be distinguished according to their content. All posters must be displayed and removed on the dates that will be communicated after the acceptance of the abstract. Authors must be present in the poster area to discuss their poster during the discussion period which will be also communicated.

Instructions for Authors

The Congress website: www.wptc2010.com will take you step-by-step, through the submission of your abstract. Via e-mail you will receive a confirmation of your submission which will contain your access key, enabling you to edit your abstract until the deadline given above.

Online abstract submission guidelines

Go to www.wptc2010.com

Read and confirm the guidelines on the Menu abstracts page.

All abstracts must be written in English.

Title, maximum 80 characters, capitalisation.

Maximum of five authors' names per abstract.

Institution, only name, city and country of the institution.

Abstract, maximum 2500 characters, structured into:

AIM of investigation,

MATERIAL (SUBJECTS) and METHODS,

RESULTS and DISCUSSION (most informative and relevant, statements such as "the results will be discussed" are insufficient),

CONCLUSIONS (most informative and relevant).

All registered congress participants will be limited to two presentations as first/presenting author i.e. an oral presentation and a poster. Please note that if more than two abstracts are submitted then **none** of the abstracts will be considered.

Please note that all abstracts submitted to the WTC 2010 in Estoril are subject to independent review process by a scientific panel. Only those abstracts with the highest total scores can be accepted as oral presentations. Abstracts with lower scores will be offered a scientific poster presentation. If the number of submitted abstracts exceeds the space available, then it may be necessary to restrict the number of presentations offered to delegates.

Publication of the manuscripts from oral and poster presentations

All accepted oral and poster presentations are invited to submit a manuscript for publication in *Acta Horticulturae*. Manuscripts must not exceed 8 pages including all tables, figures, and references. We strongly recommend authors to read the *ISHS Authors Guide - Preparing a paper for publication in Acta Horticulturae* at the ISHS webpage: <http://www.ishs.org/wri/pap1.htm>. This will make the preparation and submission of manuscripts much easier and avoid misunderstandings at submission.

Manuscripts will be submitted to a double-blind review. We encourage all non-native English speakers to submit their manuscript for language check before submission. Submissions that do not meet the guidelines will be returned to authors.

Deadline for submitting manuscripts to *Acta Horticulturae* is **21 June 2010**. A CD with manuscript electronic files well identified may be delivered to the registration desk.