



International Society for Horticultural Science
SECTION OF VEGETABLES

Working Group «Water Supply and Irrigation»

- ISHS Working Group V03 -

Dear Colleagues,

You are receiving the Newsletter number 5. Together, herewith, please find a new version of the Directory of Members of the Working Group, recently updated. If ever you have got any modification in your postal address, phone or fax number and e-mail address, please let me know and they will be inserted in the next version.

I want to inform you, in agreement with Mr Jozef Van Assche, ISHS Executive Director, that I will put an end to my charge of chairing the Working Group in 2003. Indeed, the duration of a chairmanship in ISHS must not exceed 8 years (the Chairpersons are eligible to serve for a maximum of two full terms of approximately four years each), and I was elected in September 1996. Therefore, it is necessary to find a successor to insure the Chairmanship of the Working Group. This person should of course be member of ISHS, and must be elected by the members of the Working Group who are also members of ISHS (the two conditions on membership need to be fulfilled simultaneously).

The best time and best place to transfer the chairmanship would be the 4th International Symposium on Irrigation of Horticultural Crops to be held in Davis, September 2003. During the Business Meeting of the Working Group all ISHS members, members of the Working Group, present would be entitled to stand and to vote for a new Chairperson.

Would you be interested in being a candidate for chairing the Working Group in the future for a mandate of 4 or 8 years? If yes, please, contact me. Thanks in advance.

All my best wishes and best regards,

Yvon Dumas

Avignon, 25 March 2002

News from ISHS

In 2001, some very important and useful developments have been realised by the International Society for Horticultural Science.

The list of ISHS Working Groups available from <http://www.ishs.org> was re-styled and some quite important features were added. The ISHS Working Group list can, like before, still be reached from the "Scientific Structure" pages at the main ISHS website.

ISHS members can now use the Online Membership Services to manage/update their ISHS membership profile, including change of address, Section/Commission membership, Working Group membership, online membership renewal,

On August 1, 2001 the new Acta Horticulturae online website was officially launched, offering a full and accurate record of the entire Acta Horticulturae collection. This site (<http://www.actahort.org>) built upon an enormous information database, allows you to browse the entire Acta Horticulturae collection online, read all of the more than 26,000 abstracts and download any full text article of your choice. ISHS Individual Membership now includes credits to download 10 full text Acta Horticulturae articles. Non-members can purchase credits to download full text articles online.

All you need to login to the Online Membership Services or to download Acta Horticulturae full text articles is your personal email address (alternatively your ISHS membership number) together with a password (the password is mailed to you when you tick the appropriate box at the login screen). Forgot your password ? Don't worry, just tick the appropriate box on the login screen and the system will send the password to your mailbox in seconds.

From the list of Working Groups there is also a link to the Acta Horticulturae website, providing you with a selection of Acta Horticulturae titles that were published by the various Working Groups.

The Society has created a mailing list for each of the 94 ISHS Working Groups as a tool to enhance overall communication and to establish an additional forum specially designed to assist members of the ISHS Working Groups. To subscribe to the mailing list(s) of your choice, simply logon to the Online Membership Services and indicate your choice there.

You should as well be aware of the new layout and improved content of the ISHS magazine *Chronica Horticulturae*.

ISHS hopes that this information will be useful to you and that you will enjoy these services, and looks forward to welcoming you soon online !

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Coming Events

2002

8th Symposium on the Processing Tomato

The 5th Worldwide Congress and the 8th ISHS Symposium on Processing Tomatoes will be held jointly in Istanbul (Turkey) on 08-10 June 2002. The Symposium will be organised by the I.S.H.S. W.G. «Vegetables for Processing» chaired by Dr. Cosme Argerich (EEA INTA, Mendoza, Argentina) in close co-operation with the W.G. «Water Supply and Irrigation».

The Congress will be composed of 5 sessions : Changes in the Global Dynamic of Production and Trade - The Consumer and Health Benefits of Tomato Products - The effects of the Internet on Information and Business - Processing Technical session - Evolution of Tomato Products and the Perception of the Quality. The proceedings will be published by AMITOM⁽¹⁾.

The Symposium will include 5 sessions: 1) Physiology and Molecular Biology of the Tomato, Tomato Quality (Chairman and guest speaker : Dr. Lim C. Ho, HRI, Wellesbourne, UK) - 2) Crop Management, **Irrigation and Fertilization** (will be largely addressed, particularly by Dr. Adriano Battilani, guest speaker from CER in Bologna, Italy), Strategy of Weed Control, Harvest and post-harvest Handling - 3) Control of Diseases, Pests, Nematodes (including integrated pest management) - 4) Genetics and Breeding of Processing Tomatoes: Development of new Cultivars, Resistance to Fungus, Virus and Bacterial Diseases and Nematodes, Biotechnology - 5) Tomato Products, including Processing Technology, Residual and Environmental aspects, Food Safety, and Human and Health aspects.

The proceedings of the Symposium will be published in a special issue of Acta Horticulturae (book and CD ROM).

A great number of presentation proposals have been registered (about 150) and the Symposium promises to be quite successful.

A post conference tour will be proposed to the participants across the major tomato growing regions with visit of factories, and also a tourist visit to Ephesus, a famous site once considered to be one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.

For more details and registration, please visit:

www.worldtomatocongress.org

(1) AMITOM: Association Méditerranéenne Internationale de la Tomate Transformée, 27 Avenue de l'Arrousaire, B.P. 235, 84010 Avignon Cedex 1, France

Toronto IHC 2002

The XXVI International Horticultural Congress "Horticulture, Art and Science for Life" will be held in Toronto, Canada, on August 11-17, 2002, at the Metropolitan Toronto Convention Centre.

A recent electronic message reported :

"This Congress promises to be a stellar event bringing together the world of horticultural science. While the heart of the scientific program is the 23 multi-day symposia, you will not want to miss the seven outstanding colloquia with world class speakers dealing with Genomics, Food Safety, Plant-Based Medicines, The Knowledge Business, Mission to Mars, Improving the Quality of Human Life and the Art and Science of the Miniature. Colloquium speakers include Sir Ghillean Prance, Robert Sternberg, E.O.Wilson, Paul Cox, Chris McKay, Ismail Serageldin and many more of equal stature!"

The Congress will offer great value and excellent product. More than 2500 abstracts have been registered. More than 2000 participants are expected. A lively Exhibition will feature research tools, equipment, products and services arising from, and available to, horticultural science and industry. Prestigious Special Events and Optional Tour Programs are proposed.

Details of the program and the organisation can be found at www.ihc2002.org.

Toronto is presented as safe, accessible, and affordable. The organisers promise that this will be the best IHC ever!

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Visit also www.ihc2002.org

2003

Fourth ISHS Symposium on Irrigation of Horticultural Crops

Following the successful 3rd Symposium in Lisbon, the 4th International Symposium on Irrigation of Horticultural Crops will be held during the period September 1-5, 2003 at the University of California, Davis, U.S.A, under the responsibility of Dr. R.L. Snyder, Biometeorologist, University of California, Department of Land, Air and Water Resources, 125 Hoagland Hall Davis, CA 95616-8627, Web: <http://lawr.ucdavis.edu/coopextn/biometeorology/index.htm>

The Symposium will deal with aspects related to the irrigation of fruit and nut trees, grapevines, vegetable and ornamental crops, with special emphasis on the following topics :

- * Crop water requirements - measurements, modeling, soil-plant-atmosphere processes, and scaling transpiration
- * Plant water relationships - ecophysiological interactions
- * Irrigation scheduling - scaling effects, applicability of methods
- * Water quality - environmental impact of irrigation on water quality and vice versa.
- * Economics of irrigation - water transfers, economic optimisation

The scientific program will be presented by keynotes speakers, submitted papers and posters. The working language will be English.

Please, note the recent following information from Dr. Snyder : a WEB page containing all current information on the 4th International Symposium is available through the University of California, Davis (UCD) Conference & Event Services WEB page at the URL

<http://www.cevs.ucdavis.edu/cofred/public/>

From this page, click on 'Academic' under Conferences and then click on the 4th Symposium on Irrigation of Horticultural Crops. Currently, this WEB page contains information about the Symposium topics and organization. A second announcement will be sent out during September 2002. At that time, the WEB page will include a list of keynote speakers, abstract instructions, and housing information. Papers from the Symposium will be peer reviewed and published in Acta Horticulturae. All instructions for registration, paper submittal, abstract preparation, and manuscripts for publication will be on the WEB page in September 2002, so be sure to bookmark the page for any information updates.