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Summary of Activities:

Symposia held

Xth Flowerbulb Symposium, April 20-24, 2008, Lisse, the Netherlands. Approx. 155 attendees from 27 countries. Manuscripts in review for Acta Horticulturae. Working Group voted to rename as Flower Bulb and Herbaceous Perennials Working Group. Dr. William B. Miller was re-elected as WG Chair. Next symposium to be held in Anatolya, Turkey, in April 2012. The WG supported an International Symposium on the genus Lilium to be held in Pescia, Italy, immediately following the International Horticultural Congress in 2010.


9th International Symposium on Postharvest Quality of Ornamental Plants, August 11-14, 2008, Odense, Denmark. Approximately 80 participants. Manuscripts in review for Acta Horticulturae. Dr. Wouter van Doorn was elected Chair of the Quality of Ornamentals working group to succeed Dr. Terril Nell. The next symposium will be held in 2012 (convener, location, and date to be determined).

IXth International Protea Research Symposium. September 3-6, 2008 in Stellenbosch, South Africa. Manuscripts in review for Acta Horticulturae. Dr. Ken Leonhardt was re-elected as WG Chair. Next symposium to be held in conjunction with the International Horticultural Congress in 2010.
Acta Horticulturae volumes


Proceedings of the Symposium on New Floricultural Crops has been assigned No. 813 in the Acta Horticulturae series and should be published in spring 2009. Symposium was held in 2007 in Madeira, Portugal.

Other activities

SEOP Chair, Richard Criley presented a keynote address on ornamental native plants of Hawaii at the 5th International Conference on Aromatic and Medicinal Plants in Noumea, New Caledonia in November 2008. This is a series sponsored by French-speaking countries, and the next one will be held in the Caribbean area, possibly Martinique.

Requests were received from several working groups and other sections for collaboration on new research symposia (see below).

Contact was made with Dr. Gaijun Guan (China) about a possible ISHS-sponsored research symposium on the genus Begonia. No decision has been made as Dr. Guan awaits his Superior’s agreement. Correspondence was exchanged with Dr. John R. Clark (Florida, USA) concerning a research symposium on the Gesneriaceae in 2010. No follow-up was made on Dr. Erwin’s proposal for a symposium on annuals and beddings plants.

Activities Scheduled


Diversity and Opportunities in Ornamental Horticulture (Symposium S09 during the International Horticultural Congress, August 22-27, 2010, Lisbon, Portugal)

Xth Protea Research Symposium (Symposium S17 during the International Horticultural Congress, August 22-27, 2010, Lisbon, Portugal)


International Symposium on Genetic Research of Bamboos and Palms and III International Symposium on Ornamental Palms, 21-25 November 2010, Campinas, Brazil

1st International Symposium on Tropical Horticulture & Ornamentals., November 22-26, 2010, Kingston, Jamaica

I International Trials Conference: Assessment of Ornamental Plants. July 5-7, 2011, Guilford & Wisley, United Kingdom

VII International Symposium on New Floricultural Crops, November 22-25, 2011, Buenos Aires, Argentina


XIth International Symposium on Flower Bulbs and Herbaceous Perennials, April 2012, Anatolya, Turkey.
II International Symposium on Woody Ornamentals of the Temperate Zone, July 1-4, 2012, Ghent, Belgium

**Items for Action or Approval:**

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XIII International Symposium on Virus Diseases of Ornamental Plants, June 2012, Norway

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