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International Conference

Innovative storage technology for horticultural crops

November 20-21, 2012, Skierniewice, Poland

Organized by

Research Institute of Horticulture

National Association of Fruit and Vegetable Grower Groups

Storage Section of the Committee of Horticultural Sciences of Polish Academy of Sciences

Objectives of the Conference

The Conference, as a joint activity of the Storage Section of the Committee of Horticultural Sciences of Polish Academy of Sciences and the National Association of Fruit and Vegetable Grower Groups, is organized by the Research Institute of Horticulture.

Major topics of the Conference sessions will be focused on:

- Innovative storage technology (DCA, DCS, ILOS, ILOS Plus, etc) for horticultural crops (technical aspects)
- The influence of the low oxygen storage conditions on quality of horticultural commodities
- Pre-storage hot water treatment of fruit and vegetables

Preliminary Programme

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<td>November 20 (Tuesday)</td>
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<td>November 21 (Wednesday)</td>
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*Oral and poster sessions will be held at the Division of Pomology of the Research Institute of Horticulture, Pomologiczna 18 Str., Skierniewice. The oral session on 20 of November will start at 9:00 am.
Registration
Registration will be available on 20 of November morning from 8 am at the Reception Desk (Division of Pomology of the Research Institute of Horticulture, Pomologiczna 18 Str., Skierniewice).

Invited Speakers
Prof. Elazar Fallik (Israel) “Innovation and sophistication in postharvest practices in Israel” “Pre-storage hot water treatment of horticultural products”
Dr. Robert Prange (Canada) “Storage of fruit and vegetables in DCA”

Language
The sessions (oral and poster) will be conducted in English.

Oral and Poster presentation
The contributions to the conference will be in the form of oral presentations and posters. The oral presentations will be given approximately 15 minutes each, including discussion, except for invited speakers (30 min). Discussions will take place at the end of each presentation and at the end of the session, if necessary. Multimedia projector and computer equipped with DVD and USB will be available in the conference room. Overhead and slide projectors will be available on request (please let us know in advance). Posters should not exceed the maximum dimensions of 100 cm width and 120 cm height.

Abstracts
The abstracts (max. 1 standard page – 1800 characters total) should be written in MS Word editor and sent by E-mail as an attachment file to Maria Grzegorzewska (maria.grzegorzewska@inhort.pl) or to Krzysztof Rutkowski (krzysztof.rutkowski@inhort.pl) before November 10, 2012.

Guidelines for preparing manuscripts
The papers presented at the Conference will be reviewed and published in the regular issues of the scientific journals published by the Research Institute of Horticulture: Vegetable Crops Research Bulletin or Journal of Fruit and Ornamental Plant Research (instructions for authors see: http://www.inhort.pl). Manuscripts should be submitted either by E-mail as an attachment file to Maria Grzegorzewska (maria.grzegorzewska@inhort.pl) or to Krzysztof Rutkowski (krzysztof.rutkowski@inhort.pl) before the Conference, or brought in electronic format (CD or pen drive) to the Conference Registration Desk.

Important dates
Abstract submission: November 10, 2012
Submission of full papers: At the Conference

Fee
Regular Registration Fee € 50
Students Registration Fee € 30
Payment
The registration fee payment (net value) should be made exclusively by bank transfer to:

Beneficent: Research Institute of Horticulture  
Konstytucji 3 Maja 1/3 Str., 96-100 Skierniewice, Poland

Bank: PEKAO S.A. I O/Skierniewice,  
Bank address: Galeckiego 16 Str., 96-100 Skierniewice, Poland  
Account: PL 42 1240 3321 1111 0000 2853 6660  
SWIFT: PKOPPLPW  
Reference: Please indicate on the bank transfer form: STORE2012

You are also kindly requested to include your name and affiliation on the bank transfer form.
Please note: Participants are fully responsible to cover the whole amount of bank transfer charges.

For Polish participants only – payment in PLN  
Oplata wynosi 120 zł (plus VAT).  
Wplatę prosimy kierować na konto:

Beneficjent: Instytut Ogrodniczta  
ul. Konstytucji 3 Maja 1/3, 96-100 Skierniewice  
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Prosimy o umieszczenie na dokumencie przelewu słowa: “STORE2012”.

Coverage
The registration fee covers: access to sessions, conference materials (incl. Book of Abstracts), coffee breaks, dinner and professional tour.  
Final Programme and the Book of Abstracts will be provided to each participant at the registration desk during the conference.

Conference Venue
Skierniewice, a town in Central Poland, is located about 60 km south-west of Warsaw, the capital of the country (see the map below). Skierniewice is surrounded by the major fruit and vegetables growing regions. One of the biggest fruit growing regions in Europe is located about 40 km south-east from Skierniewice (Grojec – Warka). The most important vegetable production regions in Poland are close to Warsaw, Lodz, Lowicz, Leczyca and Sochaczew (70 km from Skierniewice or less). Since 2009, Skierniewice gained the name “Polish Capital of Horticulture Sciences”. The town houses Research Institute of Horticulture (the Institute was created in 2011 by merging two internationally recognized horticultural research institutions, namely: the Research Institute of Pomology and Floriculture and the Research Institute of Vegetable Crops). There are also two Colleges with horticultural departments located in Skierniewice, as well as a branch of the Warsaw Agricultural University (SGGW).
Accommodation in Skierniewice

The cost of accommodation is not included in the Conference registration fee. Participants should secure their own reservation for the duration of the meeting. We suggest making room reservation in hotels located within the town of Skierniewice:

Hotel "DWOREK", Piłsudskiego 24 Str., 96-100 Skierniewice, phone +48 46 832 58 83, mobile: +48 605 100 560; E-mail: recepcja@hotel-dworek.pl; web site: www.hotel-dworek.pl/
(single room – 190-220 zł (approx. € 50*), double room – 260-320 zł (approx. up to € 80) per night)

Hotel "START", Pomologiczna 8 Str., 96-100 Skierniewice, phone: +48 46 833 27 50, fax: +48 46 833 39 51; E-mail: recepcja@hotel-start.pl; web site: http://www.hotel-start.pl/
(single room - 100 zł (approx. € 25), double room – 120 zł (approx. € 30) per night)

Hotel "MARATON", Sobieskiego 20 Str., 96-100 Skierniewice, phone./fax. +48 46 832 46 28, mobile: +48 600 836 151; E-mail: maraton.hotel@wp.pl; web site: www.maraton.org.pl/
(single room - 99 zł (approx. € 25), double room – 120 zł (approx. € 30) per night)

Accommodation near Skierniewice (distance 5-10 km)

Hotel "DWOREK PAMIĘTNA", Pamiętna 14, 96-100 Skierniewice, phone: +48 46 831 07 57, fax: +48 46 831 07 57; web site: www.pamietna-dworek.pl/
(single room - 150 zł (approx. € 38), double room – 200 zł (approx. € 50 ) per night)

Hotel “ZAJAZD ROZDROŻE”, Nieborów 163c, 99-416 Nieborów, phone/fax: +48 46 838 50 51; mobile: +48 501 152 077; +48 501 152 088; +48 510 28 29 83; E-mail: biuro@zajazd-nieborow.pl; web site: www.zajazd-nieborow.pl/glowna.html/
(single room - 120 zł (approx. € 30), double room – 180 zł (approx. € 45) per night)

Hotel "DWOREK BIAŁA DAMA", Legionów Polskich 2 Str., 99-416 Nieborów, mobile: +48 602 574 891; +48 510 060 922; E-mail: biala.dama@o2.pl; web site: www.dworek-nieborow.pl/
(single room - 140 zł (approx. € 35), double room – 180 zł (approx. € 45) per night)

**The price in Euro depends on current exchange rate.
Travel and Transport to Skierniewice

by plane:
The airport nearest to Skierniewice is the Warsaw Fryderyk Chopin International Airport. From there you need to get to:
Railway Station (Warszawa Zachodnia) by train from the airport
or
Main Railway Station (Warszawa Centralna) by public bus (line 175),
then train to Skierniewice. Fast trains destination Lodz (Kaliska, Chojny or Widzew). Time-table is available on the web site: www.pkp.pl. The travel takes approx. 50 minutes.

by train:
If you are coming to Poland by train you may find direct connections to Skierniewice from some European locations. In most cases, however, your train will arrive to Main Railway Station (Warszawa Centralna) from where you can easily get to Skierniewice by a number of trains, as described above.

Visa
A visa to Poland is not necessary for citizens of most European countries. Please check this with your travel agent or with the Polish Embassy/Consulate in your home country.

Currency
Polish currency is called ‘złoty’ (common abbreviation – zł; official bank notation – PLN) and 1 złoty is divided into 100 groszy. The current exchange rate is approximately 1€ = 4.0 zł, 1USD = 3.0 zł. It is not used to pay in foreign currency, but you can easily exchange your money into Polish złoty at the airport, in the banks and exchange offices (KANTOR). Major credit cards (VISA, MASTERCARD) are accepted at most places, and it is also possible to collect cash from 24h teller machines (ATMs) located in vicinity of banks and market places.

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On the above web site also the First Announcement is available.
In case of any questions related to the Conference, please do not hesitate to contact the Organizing Committee and we will assist you as much as we can.

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