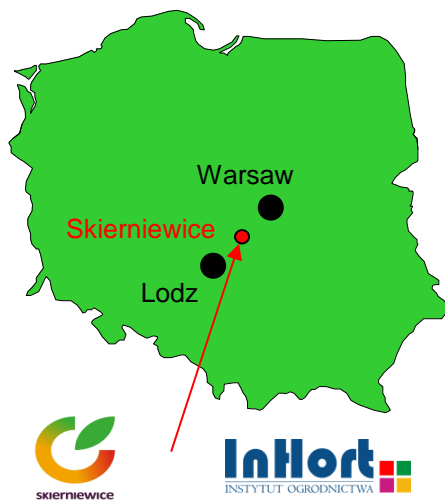


The site of the Conference:

The Conference will take place in Skierniewice, the small town in central Poland with about 48,000 inhabitants (2018), situated almost exactly half-way between Lodz and Warsaw (ca. 60 km - see the map below). Skierniewice gained municipal rights in 1457. It has a famous railway station that in the past was a part of the historical Warsaw-Vienna Railway. The main fruit growing region in Poland and one of the biggest in Europe (Grojec), is located about 40 km south-east from Skierniewice.



Nowadays Skierniewice is known as “the Capital City of Polish Horticulture”. It houses the Research Institute of Horticulture, established on January 1st, 2011, by merging two renown research units with the long tradition and important achievements in horticultural sciences: the Research Institute of Pomology and Floriculture (est. 1951) and the Institute of Vegetable Crops (est. 1964). The new Institute is a legal and organizational successor to its predecessors and inherited its staff and properties as well as rights and obligations. The Experimental Field of the Department of Agricultural Chemistry of the Warsaw University of Life Sciences (SGGW) and the local College with the Department of Horticultural Sciences are also located in Skierniewice.

Important dates:

Abstract submission:	April 15, 2019
Notification of acceptance:	April 30, 2019
Submission of papers:	At the conference

Fee:

Registration before	March 31, 2019	€ 130
Registration after	March 31, 2019	€ 150

Bank name and Account number for making payments of the Conference fee will be provided soon on the Internet Web page and in the Second Announcement.

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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

4th International Conference on “Effects of Pre- and Post-harvest Factors on Health Promoting Components and Quality of Horticultural Commodities”

Skierniewice, Poland

June 16-18, 2019

Organized by:



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in cooperation with:

EUFRIN – Postharvest and Fruit Quality Working Group

Under the auspices of:

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Invitation

Dear Colleagues,

It is our greatest honour and pleasure to invite you to participate in the 4th International Conference on “Effects of pre- and post-harvest factors on health promoting components and quality of horticultural commodities”. The previous Conferences were organized in 2006, 2010 and 2014. So far, 66 oral lectures and 137 posters were presented. In each Conference, approx. 100 participants were attending from ca. 20 countries.

The invitation is addressed to scientist, growers and all players in the whole food chain interested in research on preharvest and postharvest aspects of fruit, vegetables and ornamentals overall quality and the health promoting components and their impact on the quality of produce. Overall quality of horticultural products (nutritional, health promoting and food safety aspects) is recently becoming more and more significant for consumers, producers and whole market chain. The storability and shelf-life ability of the products are important as well.

The Conference will be held in Skierniewice (Poland), from 16 to 18 of June, 2019. More information on our website (<http://www.inhort.pl/en/effects2019>) – available soon.

The Conference is a joint activity of Fruit and Vegetables Storage and Processing Department of the Research Institute of Horticulture in Skierniewice and EUFRIN Postharvest and Fruit Quality Working Group.

EUFRIN (European Fruit Research Institutes Network) is an organization of university departments and scientific institutes specializing in research study, development, and extension on temperate fruit crops. It was set up and held its first meeting in Bonn, in 1993.

The Conference is organized under the auspices of Polish Society for Horticultural Science.

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Scientific Program

Major topics of the oral and poster sessions of the Conference will be focused on:

- ❑ Health promoting components of fruit, vegetables and edible ornamentals (vitamins, antioxidants, etc.)
- ❑ The health benefits of fruit and vegetable consumption (fresh and minimally processed)
- ❑ Effect of pre- and post-harvest factors (orchard management, technology of vegetable growing, climate and weather conditions, harvest date, storage technology and shelf-life conditions and duration, and the like) on quality and safety (zero residues) of fruit, vegetables and ornamentals.

Contributed papers and posters, however, do not have to be limited to the above given topics, and may address specific subjects and case studies pertinent to fruit, vegetables and ornamentals quality.

Accepted papers will be published in the **Journal of Horticultural Research** – <http://www.inhort.pl/journal-of-horticultural-research>

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To receive further information please contact us by E-mail, register online (Web site available soon) or return either by mail or fax the **Information Request Form** (on the right) before April 15, 2019 to:

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