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II Announcement

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The V International Symposium on Fig will be held at the Conference Hall of the University of Napoli, *Federico II* (Italy), from August, 31 to September 3, 2015.

Organized by the Department of Agricultural Sciences, University of Napoli "Federico II" and the Department Agricultural and Forest Science, University of Palermo, under the auspices of the International Society for Horticultural Science (ISHS). The Symposium will be a forum for researchers from around the globe to present latest research in the fig production value chain. Participants interested in either an oral or a poster presentation are invited to submit an abstract on one of the symposium topics: Biodiversity and Genetic Resources; Plant Breeding; Genomic and Transcription Information; Biotechnology; Tree Biology and Eco-physiology; Plant Propagation and Nursery Production; Planting Systems and Crop Management; Fruit Quality; Post-Harvest Technology; Pest and Disease Management; Industrial and Pharmacological Uses; Marketing. The deadline for abstract submission is 15 May 2015. Abstracts should be prepared according to authors guidelines and submitted using the ISHS online submission and reviewing tool at the website.

At least one Author should be registered for each abstract and each registered Author can submit a maximum of two abstracts.

Papers presented at the symposium will be published in the ACTA HORTICULTURAE proceedings. During the 4-day program, 3 days will be dedicated to the scientific program in which 4 outstanding invited scientists will make presentations on subjects of strategic importance for the fig industry; the biology of genetics, caprification, pathology and postharvest physiology. One day will be dedicated to a technical tour in farms and companies within the Protected Designation Origin (PDO) area, "Fico Bianco del Cilento", where the traditional horticultural management of fig orchards and the new postharvest processing technologies have been integrated to produce new innovative, safe and high quality fig products. An additional three day post Symposium tour to the PDO "Fichi di Cosenza" area will also be offered. Participants will have the opportunity to visit the typical production and processing systems and experience the beautiful landscape, local hospitality and typical foods of the Calabria region.

Take advantage of this opportunity to share your research and socialize with your fig colleagues from around the world!

Don't miss this wonderful Symposium, submit your abstracts now!

Detailed information on key dates, the program, registration, the venue, travel and accommodations, accompanying persons program and social activities can be found on our website at <http://www.soishs.org/fig>

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For any questions please contact the Scientific Secretariat (chiara.cirillo@unina.it) or the Conveners tiziano.caruso@unipa.it and boris.basile@unina.it; We look forward to seeing you in Napoli August 31 2015.

Tiziano Caruso and Boris Basile
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