



European Weed Research Society

1st CIRCULAR

9TH WORKSHOP OF THE EWRS WORKING GROUP: **PHYSICAL AND CULTURAL WEED CONTROL**

**Samsun, Turkey
28-30 March 2011**

Dear Colleague,

We are pleased to give you some general information on the 9th workshop of our working group. **Please forward this circular to any interested colleagues in your institution/country.** Information on the workshop will also appear on the working group's web site: <http://www.ewrs.org/pwc/>

The aim of the workshop is to create a forum where people involved in research in physical and cultural weed control can come together and exchange results, experiences, information, and establish new contacts and networks.

In this circular you will find:

- Provisional outline of the scientific programme;
- Instructions for pre-registration and submission of abstracts
- The venue and accommodation

We strongly encourage you:

- To submit abstracts
- To propose a keynote theme and relevant speakers
- To suggest round table discussions and to chair them
- To chair oral sessions and give short introductions of posters

We look forward to receiving your contributions and hope you will be able to join us in Samsun.

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Venue

The Workshop will take place at the congress centre on the campus of Ondokuz Mayıs University in Samsun, Turkey. Samsun is located on the Black Sea coast, midway between the western and eastern borders of Turkey. Samsun has an international airport and you can easily reach Samsun via Istanbul using Turkish Airlines, Onur Air, Pegasus and Sun express. Since most international flights go through Istanbul, it would be an excellent opportunity for you to take some extra days sightseeing this spectacular city. Istanbul has a long history and great variety of religions, cultures, people and traditions and sits at the border between Europe and Asia. (Direct flights to Samsun from some European cities to Samsun are possible but mostly during the summer period).

Ondokuz Mayıs University is located in Samsun, the largest city on the Black Sea coast in the North of Turkey, with a population of approximately 1.2 million. Samsun is a major commercial port, an industrial and agricultural city. The university is a modern regional state university established in 1975 with faculties and schools distributed over Samsun and 8 counties. The university, located on 8,500 acres, houses 10 faculties, 2 schools, 9 vocational schools, 4 graduate schools and 12 study and research centers and one conservatoire. Ondokuz Mayıs University has 151 departments and programs with about 21,000 undergraduate and 2,000 graduate students.

Accommodations and meals

Lunches will be provided to workshop participants at the campus restaurant. The restaurant, which has a wonderful view of the Black Sea, is within walking distance from the congress centre where the meeting will be held. The central location of the proposed accommodations listed below should encourage meeting after the official programme. We hope that informal discussions will continue while enjoying the local food. Samsun is particularly known for its seafood.

The estimated cost of the registration will be approximately **150 €**. Non-EWRS members will be charged an extra fee corresponding to a year membership-fee (60 € in 2010). The registration fee will cover the costs for the meeting's booklet, facilities, excursion, welcome

drink and snacks (Sunday 27th March), lunches, coffee and tea breaks (Monday to Wednesday) and dinner on Tuesday evening following the excursion.

Below is a list of recommended accommodations at the University guest house and nearby hotels within walking distance from the venue:

Omtel Otel

<http://www.omtelotel.com>

Single Room Double Room

40 € 60 €

(Located close to the sea side with sea view from many rooms and only 10 minutes to the venue by bus. Busses run very frequently)

Tepe Otel

<http://tepeotel.omu.edu.tr>

Single Room Double Room

30 € 40 €

(Located on campus, 5 minutes walk to the venue)

Guest house

<http://www.omu.edu.tr>

Single Room Double Room

20 € 30 €

(Located on campus, 10 minutes walk to the venue)

Alternative hotels which are located in the city centre;

Büyük Samsun Otel (*****)

<http://www.buyuksamsunoteli.com>

Single Room Double Room

70 € 90 €

(Located in the city centre, 25 minutes to the venue by bus)

North Point Otel (****)

<http://www.northpointhotel.com>

Single Room Double Room

60 € 80 €

(Located in the city centre, 25 minutes to the venue by bus)

All prices including breakfast and VAT

Provisional programme that will be adjusted according to the submissions of abstracts and proposals for keynote themes and round tables

Sunday 27 March

- Afternoon and Evening: Registration
- Welcome drink

Monday 28 March

- 9.00-9.30 Registration
- 9.30-12.30 Opening talks, sessions 1 and 2, incl. coffee
 - Session 1: Oral presentations, theme to be decided.
 - Session 2: Oral presentations, theme to be decided.
- 12.30-14.00 Lunch
- 14.00-17.00 Session 3: Poster session incl. coffee
 - Short poster presentations by session chairs.
 - Poster presentation and discussion with authors
- 17.00-18.30 Session 4: Keynote theme

Tuesday 29 March

- 9.00-10.30: Session 5: Oral presentations. Theme to be decided.
- 10.30-12.30: Round-table discussions incl. coffee
- 12.30-14.00: Lunch
- 14.00- : Excursion
 - Afternoon: Visits to cultural and technical sites
 - Evening: Dinner at a local place

Wednesday 30 March

- 9.30-10.30: Report on round-table discussions (plenary session)
- 10.30-12.30: Poster session continued incl. coffee
 - Short poster presentations by session chairs.
 - Poster presentation and discussion with authors
- 12.30-14.00: Lunch
- 14.00 – 16.30: Session 6 and plans for the future
 - Session 6. Oral presentations, theme to be decided
 - Future activities and concluding remarks
- 16.30: Workshop end

Scientific programme

The workshop aims to be informal and to stimulate as much discussion as possible among participants. We will combine plenary scientific sessions with oral and poster presentations, concurrent round-table discussions, and a final plenary session (reports on round-table discussions, directions for the future, etc.). Session chairs will briefly introduce each poster associated with the theme of their oral session presentations. We would also like to organise a keynote theme followed by an extensive discussion. You are most welcome to suggest relevant speakers and themes.

Below is a tentative list of topics:

- Weed management in organic farming systems
- Integrated weed management (arable and vegetable crops, orchards, tree nurseries)
- Physical weed control in non-agricultural settings (urban areas, railroad tracks, etc.)
- Preventive and cultural weed control (crop rotation, tillage system, false seedbed technique, seeding rate, fertilisation, etc.)
- Cover crops, mulches and intercropping
- Mechanical weed control, inter- and intra-row (harrowing, hoeing, brushing, etc.)
- Thermal weed control (flame-weeding, steaming, soil solarization, lasers, etc.)
- Precision guidance, weeding robots etc.
- New developments and technical innovations in physical weed control
- Factors influencing the outcome of physical and cultural weed control
- Weed population dynamics in physical and cultural weed management systems
- Environmental impact of physical and cultural weed management
- Research methodology in physical and cultural weed management
- Exchange and transfer of information, and international cooperation (glossary, use of Internet resources, etc.)

Abstracts and Proceedings

- A booklet with one-page abstracts of all scientific contributions will be available at the workshop.
- The abstracts and optional full papers of all scientific contributions, both oral and poster papers, will appear in the Proceedings, which will be published on the working group's web site after the workshop.

Pre-registration and call for papers

- Please complete the pre-registration form at www.ewrs.org/pwc/2010 **before September 30th 2010 (starting August 15th)**.
- At the same time, you must fill the form to indicate if you wish to make one or several presentations. For each presentation, you will have to provide an abstract (min 250 - max 500 words) which includes a clear definition of the objectives and of the methodology along with some results. You will also have to specify whether you prefer to give a poster or an oral presentation. Pre-registration and abstract submission(s) will be acknowledged.
- We are looking for colleagues to suggest keynote themes and possible speakers, to chair round table discussions and the workshop's sessions. Please contact Bo Melander directly (bo.melander@agrsci.dk) to offer your services.

Please note that EWRS can offer travelling scholarships for young scientist who would like to attend the workshop. You are welcome to apply for a grant, if you are a MSc student, a PhD student or a post-doc and if you are less than 35 years of age. Please send your application to Bo Melander (bo.melander@agrsci.dk).

Important dates and deadlines (please take note):

30th September 2010

- Deadline for pre-registration and provisional abstracts submission (online only, through the web site)

15th November 2010

- Third Circular containing:
 - Final Scientific Programme
 - Detailed information on venue, accommodation, travel and transportation, presentation facilities, etc.
 - Provisional list of participants

15th December 2010

- Deadline for payment of workshop fee

15th January 2011

- Deadline for submission of final abstracts and optional full papers for the Proceedings

Organising committee

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