



**INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR
PLANT-BEE RELATIONSHIPS
Bee Protection Group**

**10TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
HAZARDS OF PESTICIDES TO BEES**

**BUCHAREST, ROMANIA
October 8-10, 2008**

Second Announcement

Organised by:

Beekeeping Association of Romania
Institute for Apicultural Research & Development
and
Ecotoxicology Dept of Plant Protection Research Institute

Place

The Symposium will be held at the Conference Hall of the
Romanian Beekeeping Association,
42 Blv Ficusului, 013975 Bucharest, Romania

Organising Committee

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Deadline for registration is 30 September 2008

Deadline for abstract receipt 31 July 2008

Main Symposium Sessions – Hazards of pesticides to bees

1. Test and risk assessment (including systemic effects, field testing, bee brood)
2. Regulatory issues (including revision of EPPO risk assessment and guidelines)
3. Test methodology (laboratory, cage, field, sub-lethal, etc)
4. Alternative control methods e.g. pheromones, GM crops
5. Honey bee poisoning incidents and monitoring schemes
6. Synergism – *Varroa* and varroacides – Bumblebees and other bee species
7. Other related topics

Offers for platform, oral and poster presentations are cordially invited. A one page abstract must be provided before the Symposium.

Abstract

The abstract in English language must arrive by **July 31, 2008**.

Please follow the instructions below when writing the text:

- Title (bold small letters, 14 point body)
- First and second (family) name of author(s) (bold, small letters, 12 point body)
- Address of first (presenting) author (small letter, 12 point body)
- Text (12 point body)
- Send by email: use rtf format and MS word PC. Give the file the name of the first author
- The abstract must be a maximum of 1 A4 page, single spaced. Margins: 2.5 cm, font: Times New Roman
- Request for platform or poster
- Identify preferred session from list above, if applicable (other sessions may be organised based on abstracts received)
- Abstracts must be submitted with a Registration form

Send the abstract, together with the Registration form to:

Helen Thompson

Email H.Thompson@csl.gov.uk

Programme

Wednesday 8 October, 9:30 h: symposium starts, welcome and scientific sessions
Thursday 9 October morning: scientific sessions.
Thursday 9 October afternoon: excursion.
Thursday 9 October evening: symposium dinner.
Friday 10 October: scientific sessions and conclusion, ending 16:00

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Practical information

Symposium venue

The symposium will be held in the Conference Hall of the Romanian Beekeeping Association (ICDA), address: 42 Ficusului Blv, 013975 Bucharest 1, Romania. This place is in the North of Bucharest city, within two km distance from the domestic airport *Baneasa*, and at about 12 km distance from the international airport *Otopeni / Henri Coanda*. Local organisers are:

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Accommodation and practical information about Bucharest

For general information about Bucharest see <http://www.romaniatourism.com/bucharest.html>

For Bucharest hotels, see http://travel.yahoo.com/p-travelguide-191501790-bucharest_vacations-I.

Recommended for its location, neighboring the Apimondia building, is Hotel Phoenicia****, Hotel Erbas***(1 km distance) and Hotel Caro***(2 km distance) are other possibilities.

Apimondia has negotiated special fees (96 Euro single, 106 euro doble room) at Hotel Phoenicia, but to use these organisation needs to make your reservation as soon as possible. October is a busy month in Bucharest. Please address your requests to:

FIITEA Apimondia, Ms. Cornelia Rapan, office@apimondiafoundation.org, tel: +4021 232 6730, fax +4021 232 3487 by 31 July at the latest.

Money issues

In 2005 Romania has revaluated its currency from the old LEI to the new RON. 1 RON = 10.000 LEI. You can easily change limited amounts of cash at the airport. You can do it later as well, in the city. There are lots of ATMs and Exchange offices in Bucharest.

The current exchange rate (April 2008) is 1 € = 3.6 RON, 1 £ = 4,5 RON.

Transport from and to the airport

You will arrive at the international airport *Otopeni (= Henri Coanda airport)*, 12 km from the conference location. It is recommended to take a taxi straight from the airport. Taxi fares are about 50 RON. At the airport only FLYtaxi is authorised to take passengers. This is a reliable though not the cheapest company. Taxicabs are standing in front of the airport exit.

However, in the arrival hall taxi drivers always are hawking for passengers. We recommend not to make use of these taxis. In case you decide to use these nevertheless, agree on beforehand to pay no more than 15 Euro or 50 Ron. **But better to go straight outside and get into one of the waiting FLYtaxis.**

From the airport you can also take the bus (783) and reach easily the city centre. The bus station is at Internal Departures, you just will take the lift for the ground floor and to buy a card (5 RON-2 trips). Buses don't go late at night.

A ride from or to the airport will take half an hour, or depending of the traffic, up to a full hour.

Transport within Bucharest

Bucharest has an excellent and cheap metro system. The taxis (yellow cabs) may be good and cheap but there are also very expensive ones. Rates are indicated on the taxi door. We suggest you just use taxis from reliable companies like *Meridian, Leone, Perozzi, Cristaxi, Comfort and Fly Taxi*. If you ask your hotel to order a taxi, you will have one of these.

Bucharest map

For Bucharest maps, see http://travel.yahoo.com/p-map-191501790-map_of_bucharest-i. At the website <http://www.hartionline.ro/buc/harta/judet.html> you will find a plan of Bucharest, just choose Strazi (the Romanian word for streets) from the tool bar, type the name of the street and you will find the location.

Registration form (deadline for receipt 30 September 2008)

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BUCHAREST – OCTOBER 8-10, 2008

REGISTRATION FEE (includes lunches, coffee/tea and symposium dinner)

- Before 31/7/08 participants 150 Euros
- Before 31/7/08 students and local¹ participants 50 Euros
- After 31/7/08 participants 170 Euros
- After 31/7/08 students and local participants 70 Euros
- I would like to receive a certificate of attendance
- I want to take part in the Symposium dinner (9 October, no additional charge)

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS FEE 30 EUROS (includes social dinner and suggestions of places to visit)

Family name: _____

First name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

ZIP/Postal Code _____

City _____

Country _____

Phone no. _____

Fax no. _____

Email _____

Special dietary requirements: _____

Is an abstract for a presentation attached?:

Oral YES NO Poster YES NO

Platform presentations will be made using Powerpoint

PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES

Payment by credit card is the preferred method

Bank Credit Card

Number _____

Type _____

Expiry date _____

Signature _____

Please invoice me

Send to H.Thompson@csf.gov.uk

¹ Participants from Romania and Bulgaria are 'local participants'.