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HIGHLIGHTS: XVII INTERNATIONAL PLANT PROTECTION CONFERENCE, HONOLULU, HAWAII

IAPPS opening ceremony and IPPAD awards, August 7, 2011

On Sunday August 7, 2011, at 9h00 the IAPPS opening and IPPAD awards ceremony took place at



the Hawaii International Convention Center in Honolulu, Hawaii. IAPPS President Prof. Geoff Norton welcomed a crowded meeting hall which was filled with over 160 participants. During his welcome address, Dr Norton reminded participants that the International Plant Protection Congress, which is held every 4 years, is strategically timed to run together with the conference of a local plant protection organisation. In this case, the Congress is a joint effort between IAPPS and the American

Phytopathological Society (APS). This collaboration provides mutual benefits, the involvement of IAPPS increasing the number of international participants and providing a broader perspective of plant protection.



IAPPS Secretary General Prof 'Short' Heinrichs provided details of the contributions made to plant protection by the eight IPPAD awardees. The awards, a plaque of appreciation, were presented by the IAPPS President, and the recipients were given the opportunity to make a few remarks. Some of the individual awardees – all eminent scientists in their respective fields - are shown in the group picture, together

with those receiving awards on behalf of awardees not present. Details of the 2011 IPPAD

awardees were provided in the June 2011 issue of the IAPPS Newsletter, with the exception of Dr. Tweedy who was bestowed a special appreciation award which will be presented in the next issue of the Newsletter.

After the award ceremony, Prof. Norton handed over the gavel to Dr. Bernd Holtschulte, representing the organizers of the next IPPC to be held in 2015 in Berlin, Germany. Dr. Holtschulte presented a brief video to preview this upcoming event, which brought the official ceremony to a close.

IAPPS Governing Board Meeting Sessions, August 7-10, 2011

Attending (one or more sessions)

Geoff Norton (President & Chair); Short Heinrichs (Secretary General); Manuele Tamò (Vice President and Newsletter Editor); James Steadman (Treasurer); Ursula Culligan (Journal Liaison); Bill Tweedy (2011 IPPC Program chair); Baruch Rubin (2011 IPPC Chair, International Advisory Committee); Gerhard Gündermann (Coordinator Region I: Europe); Francis Nwilene (Coordinator Region IV: West/Central Africa); Hari C. Sharma (Coordinator Region VI: South Asia); Noriharu Ken Umetsu (Coordinator Region VII: East Asia); K. L. Heong (Coordinator Region VIII: Southeast Asia); Cheng Zhuo-min (Coordinator Region IX: China/NW Asia – retiring); Kongming Wu (Coordinator Region IX: China/NW Asia – incoming); Trevor Jackson (Coordinator Region X: Oceania);Rangaswamy Muniappan (Coordinator Region XI: North America); Keith Jones (Industry Rep.); Bernd Hochschulte (2015 Congress Rep. from host country - Germany)

Apologies

Mohamed Besri (Coordinator Region III: N. Africa/Middle East); Claudia Vieira Godoy (Coordinator Region XII: LA/Caribbean); Segenet Kelemu (Coordinator Region V: East/Southern Africa); Ray Martyn (2011 IPPC rep from host country - APS-USA)

Invited participants

Frank Louws (IAPPS web site); Dr Ueyama (E Asia Regional Centre report); Prof Yamamoto (E Asia Regional Centre report); Dr Escalada (Blog survey); Mehmed Cakir (2019 meeting proposal); Irmgard Hoeschle-Zeledon & Richard Sikora (System-wide Program on IPM) *Agenda and highlights of discussions*

- Welcome and Introductions
- Secretary General's report
 - IAPPS Membership a number of new members have joined IAPPS over the past year.
 - Board membership there have been several recent changes to Board membership, all reported in previous issues of the Newsletter
 - With increasing interest in IAPPS becoming more involved in regional activities, Board and IAPPS members are encouraged to engage more pro-actively in developing joint links between IAPPS and regional plant protection bodies
 - IPPC Hawaii meeting the Board expressed its appreciation to Bill Tweedy for his involvement in the planning committee for the Hawaii Congress
 - A detailed update on the upcoming IPPC Berlin meeting will be given by Dr. Holtschulte
- IAPPS Newsletter Editor's report during the past 4 years an average of 11 issues of the newsletter have been published per year in Crop Protection; Board members were

encouraged to submit regional reports, particularly those regarding meetings of national or regional plant protection organizations.

- Potential SP-IPM collaboration with IAPPS The Board discussed potential future collaboration with the system wide project on IPM (SP-IPM), particularly regarding online access to plant protection information. IAPPS is to be kept informed of developments in future plans for SP-IPM activities.
- Treasurer's report The financial position of IAPPS has improved considerably over the past four years and the treasurer's report was approved by the Board
- Fund raising ideas the Board discussed several ideas on fund raising activities and decided to set up a working group on developing a Business strategy to investigate these ideas further (see below).
- Journal of Crop Protection: Elsevier report An update was provided on recent developments in Crop Protection, the affiliated Journal of IAPPS. The Board was asked for advice on candidates for two editorial positions on Crop Protection. The possibility of providing local society membership and volume access to the online version of the journal was discussed, as well as other promotional options. As the only journal dedicated to all the crop protection disciplines, Crop Protection provides a unique opportunity for enhancing the vision of plant protection in general and IAPPS in particular. The Governing Board encourages IAPPS members to submit papers to Crop Protection.
- East Asia Regional Centre a detailed report on progress with the Centre was presented and the Board favorably received this initiative to serve as a model for other regional initiatives within IAPPS.
- A proposal for IAPPS to provide funds for the participation of developing country members in the next Board meeting was discussed. This issue was referred on to be dealt with by the newly established working group on an IAPPS Business strategy (see below).
- Involvement of IAPPS in regional meetings The idea of IAPPS being involved in regional plant protection meetings in between the 4-year Congresses was discussed and endorsed. Issues associated with this initiative will be dealt with by a newly established working group on regional symposia (see below). The specific case of an international symposium on *Tuta absoluta* was discussed.
- IAPPS plant protection information web sites. A report on current use of the IAPPS web site blog was presented and potential opportunities for IAPPS to develop a web site devoted to providing a "one-stop-shop" to information and educational resources was discussed. A working group is to be established to develop a proposal for developing such a web facility.
- IAPPS web support The Centre for IPM at North Carolina State University will continue to host the IAPPS web site
- The XIX (2019) Congress The process for deciding on the location of the XIX (2019) International Plant Protection Congress was discussed and it was decided that a decision will not be made until the XVIII Congress in Berlin in 2015. A preliminary proposal was presented for the 2019 Congress to be held in Perth, Western Australia.
- Board Action Plans and Working Groups for 2012/13. The Board has approved the establishment of the following working groups:
 - IAPPS Information site Geoff Norton (chair), Monina Escalada, Manuele Tamò, Frank Louws

- IAPPS Business strategy Kong Luen Heong(Chair), Gerhard Gündermann, Keith Jones, Short Heinrichs
- IAAPS International Symposia Rangaswamy Muniappan (Chair), Hari C. Sharma; Baruch Rubin; Mohamed Besri; KongMing Wu, Keith Jones, Noriharu Ken Umetsu
- In addition to these working groups, a schedule is to be developed for Board members to prepare contributions on regional issues for the IAPPS Newsletter. The executive, together with the Business strategy working group, will also explore the idea of a sponsor for joint-IAPPS student scholarships to fund one studentship for attendance at an international conference on weeds, entomology, and plant pathology, respectively.
- Report on plans for the 2015 Berlin meeting Planning for the 2015 Congress in Berlin is well in hand. The IAPPS President will be the IAPPS representative on the Congress Program committee.
- There being no other business, the Board meeting closed at 8am on Wednesday 10th August.
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It seeks to provide a global umbrella for the plant protection sciences to facilitate and promote the application of the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach to the world's crop and forest ecosystems.

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