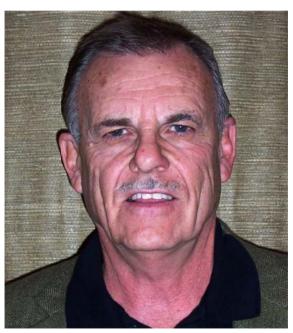
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## **NEW DISTINCTION FOR SHORT HEINRICHS**



Our IAPPS Secretary General, Professor Dr. Elvis A. 'Short' Heinrichs has been honored with the "Corresponding Membership" of the German Society for Plant Protection and Plant Health r. S. (DPG). The First Chairman of DPG, Dr. Klaus Stenzel, said in his laudatory speech at the German Plant Protection Congress 2014, Professor Heinrichs as a representative of IAPPS would express the mission of IAPPS by his activities: to promote an integrated and sustainable approach to plant protection worldwide, from research through to practical application. This mission corresponds perfectly to the mission of DPG. Furthermore, the mutualistic cooperation of Professor Heinrichs with representatives of DPG favored the development of a fruitful framework for the forthcoming IPPC 2015 in Berlin. The "Corresponding Membership" title means lifelong membership in DPG and all rights of

a full member. Please join me in congratulating Short for this new achievement.

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### WELCOME TO NEW CROP PROTECTION EDITORS IN CHIEF

**Prof Lisa Korsten** is a professor in the Department of Microbiology and Plant Pathology at the University of Pretoria, South Africa. Her research has been published in 77 international peer-reviewed, 2 patents and 110 industry publications. The latter journals are widely circulated in the international fruit sector and have thus contributed to Prof Korsten's local and international standing in this field of science. Thus far 45 Masters' and PhD students have completed their studies under her guidance. She has also been actively involved in presenting research work at



local (237) and international congresses (85) and has offered several specialists short courses for the industry in Good Agricultural Practices, Food Safety, Globalgap, Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) and risk assessment. Prof Korsten is currently a technical assessor for the South African National Accreditation Systems for Globalgap, ISO 22000, British Retail Consortium (BRC) certification bodies. Six of her laboratories have been ISO 17025 accredited between 2002 – 2008 for several test methods that include microbiological testing for water, foodborne pathogens in packhouses and on fruit or vegetable products, identification of bacteria, total viable counts and PCR for Phytosanitary purposes for detecting fungal or bacterial plant pathogens. Prof Korsten is currently head of the thematic focus area

Food Safety, Biosecurity, Public Health and Regulatory Control within the University of Pretoria, Institute of Food, Nutrition and Well-Being. She is also a board member of the National Laboratory Association of South Africa and the Postharvest Innovation programme of the Department of Science and Technology and the Fresh Produce Exporters Forum.



Dr Bhagirath Singh Chauhan leads research in the fields of weed ecology, herbicide resistance, and integrated weed management for the grain and cotton farming systems of the subtropical cropping region of Australia. Prior to his current role as Principal Research Fellow in The Queensland Alliance for Agriculture and Food Innovation (QAAFI), University of Queensland, Dr Chauhan led weed science research at the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Philippines. He has collaboration with researchers from several countries. He holds a BS (Hons.) in agriculture, MS in agronomy (CCS Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar, India), and PhD in weed science (University of Adelaide, Australia). Dr Chauhan has more than 10 years of research

experience in conducting trials on integrated weed management options and improved agronomy of new production systems in several countries, including Australia, India, Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam. Dr Chauhan has published >100 articles in referred journals (Crop Protection, Advances in Agronomy, PLoS ONE, Field Crops Research, Weed Science, Weed Technology, Weed Research, Annals of Applied Biology, etc.) and >50 articles in national journals, conference proceedings, and magazines. The publications in the diverse set of journals reflect a focused approach on making an impact in the weed science area. He is the Editor-in-Chief of a recently published book, Recent Advances in Weed Management. New York: Springer Science+Business Media. 411 pp.

On behalf of the entire IAPPS family, I would like to extend a warm welcome to Lisa and Bhagirath as our new Crop Protection Editors in Chief.

## Prof. E. A. "Short" Heinrichs

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# FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT: AAIS 2015 CONFERENCE, COTONOU, BENIN



The African Association of Insect Scientists (AAIS), together with the 'Société Entomologique de la République du Bénin' (SERB), announces its 21<sup>st</sup> Scientific Conference to be held October 19-23, 2015 in Cotonou, Republic of Benin.

The theme of the conference is "Impacts of climate change on insects in Africa: opportunities and threats "with the following sub-themes

- Insect bio-ecology, systematic, modelling and sustainable management
- Insect resistance and challenges under climate change
- Climate change and beneficial insects value chains
- Edible insects (symposium)
- Invasive species
- Insects, human and animal diseases
- Indigenous knowledge on insects use and control
- Ethical issues in entomological research
- Regional policies for sustainable management of insects under a changing climate

## **Scientific Programme**

The scientific programme will include an inaugural conference, eight plenary sessions and scientific presentations in relation to the respective sub-themes. Members are encouraged to organize round-tables/symposia, provided topics are sent as early as possible.

#### **Second announcement**

The second announcement with more details will be sent to those who will have filled the registration form which is provided at <a href="www.serb-benin.org">www.serb-benin.org</a>. Participants are encouraged to respond as soon as possible.

### Important dates to remember

January - February, 2015: Acceptance of the requests for participation

Early March, 2015: Publication of the second announcement

March – July, 2015 (Closing date): Period of abstract submission.

For more information and updates, please visit www.isac-int.org or www.serb-benin.org

The head office of the Association is based at the International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE) Nairobi, Kenya.

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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.

Membership Information: IAPPS has four classes of membership (individual, affiliate, associate, and corporate) which are described in the IAPPS Web Site <a href="https://www.plantprotection.org">www.plantprotection.org</a>.

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