

## **15<sup>th</sup> BNF-Non Legume Satellite Symposium**

The 15<sup>th</sup> BNF-NL-Symposium will be held on **23./24. August 2016** as satellite symposium before the 12<sup>th</sup> European Nitrogen Fixation Conference (ENFC), 25.-28. August 2016 in Budapest, Hungary.

Like the ENFC2016, the 15<sup>th</sup> BNF-Non Legume Symposium will be held in the “Danubia Health Spa Resort Helia” in the center of Budapest, the capital of Hungary.

The BNF-Non-legume Symposia have a long tradition since the 1980s. In the year 2008 and 2012, the 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> BNF-NL-symposia were already organized successfully as satellite meetings of the ENFCs in Ghent and Munich, respectively. The 14<sup>th</sup> BNF-NL-Symposium was organized by our Chinese colleagues as satellite to the Asian Congress of Plant-Microbe Interaction in Cheng-Du in October 2014.

The BNF-NL-Symposia provide a forum for the presentation and discussion of current hot issues of Non-Legume nitrogen fixation research (associative and endophytic diazotroph – plant interactions, actinorhizal and cyanobacterial symbioses, applied aspects). Since these topics of BNF with Non-Legumes cannot be presented in satisfying depth alongside with the main topics of Rhizobium-Legume Symbiosis at the ENFC, the satellite provides additional time and chances for presentation e.g. also for young researchers. The participation in both meetings will give full insights in all fields of nitrogen fixation research.

Therefore, all colleagues and students interested in aspects of Non-Legume Nitrogen Fixation are cordially invited to take part in the 15<sup>th</sup> BNF-Non-Legume Satellite Symposium on 23./24. August 2016.

Participants of the 15<sup>th</sup> BNF-NL-Satellite Symposium can register together with the ENFC2016 with an additional registration fee of 110.- € (for regular participants) or 80.- € (for students). Alternatively, a separate registration only for the BNF-NL-satellite symposium is possible with a registration fee of 250.- € (for regular participants) or 150.-€ (for students). Preferably, registration should be done before 16<sup>th</sup> May. The registration fee for the BNF-NL-Satellite Symposium includes an abstract book, lunch and coffee break services and access to the conference venue. The BNF-NL-Symposium Dinner (at 24<sup>th</sup> August) has to be booked separately for a price of 60.-€.

Abstracts for presentations have to be submitted before 15th April 2016 on line (see ENFC-homepage) using the same format but clearly mark the abstract with BNF-NL and the session number (see below).

The Diamond Congress Service is taking care of the registration, payment and hotel room organization for all participants of ENFC and the satellite meeting (please see the main ENFC homepage).

## **Draft programme of the BNF-Non-Legume Satellite Symposium:**

### **Tuesday, 23<sup>th</sup> August 2016:**

10:00-14:00: *Registration*

14:00-16:00: Session 1: NL-associations with diazotrophs: bacterial side

(chair persons: Emanuel da Souza & Euan James)

16:00-16:30: *Coffee / Tea break*

16:30-18:30: Session 2: NL-associations with diazotrophs: plant side

(chair persons: Adriana Hemerly & Barbara Reinhold-Hurek)

18:30 – 19:30 Poster session

### **Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> August 2016:**

8:30-10:30: Session 3: Frankia symbioses

(chair persons: Claudine Franche & Katharina Pawlowski)

10:30-11:00 Coffee / Tea break

11:00-13:00: Session 4: Cyanobacteria symbioses

(chair persons: Jonathan Zehr & Rachel Foster)

13:00-14:00 Lunch break

14:00–15:30 Session 5: Microbial Ecology of root-associated diazotrophs

(chair persons: Thomas Hurek & Anton Hartmann)

15:30-16:00: Coffee/Tea break

16:00-18:00: Session 6: Applications of NL-diazotroph associations

(chair: Fabricio Cassan & Yaacov Okon)

18:00 Closing Session

20:00 Symposium's Dinner with folklore show (to be booked separately)

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