

I. International Symposium on Medicinal, Aromatic and Nutraceutical Plants from Mountainous Areas

6th – 9th July 2011

Saas-Fee, Switzerland

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT CALL FOR PAPERS



The Organizing Committee is pleased to invite you to attend the 1st International Symposium on 'Medicinal, Aromatic and Nutraceutical Plants from Mountainous Areas' to be held from 6th to 9th July 2011 in Saas-Fee, Switzerland. The Symposium is open to scientists, professionals or students interested in a forum to discuss their respective scientific advances.

The objective of the Symposium is to present and discuss various scientific topics related to the medicinal, aromatic and nutraceutical use of plants from mountainous areas. Growing at high elevation, these plants are considered to be rich in secondary metabolites and have been collected for centuries from wild. However, the amount of plants required by the industry has drastically increased in recent years and conservation of natural population can only be achieved by cultivation. In addition, domestication and selection of varieties provide well-suited genotypes with the desired phytochemical profiles, an optimum management in the field, as well as a sustainable source of raw material.



Organizing Committee

Carlen Christoph, Agroscope Changins-Wädenswil ACW, Switzerland, Convenor

Baroffio Catherine, Agroscope Changins-Wädenswil ACW, Switzerland

Vouillamoz José, Agroscope Changins-Wädenswil ACW, Switzerland

Scientific Committee

Akos Mathe, Chair of the ISHS-Section Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, Department of Botany, West Hungarian University

Bütter Bernd, Vitaplant, Basel, Switzerland

Chlodwig Franz, Institute for Applied Botany, University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna, Austria

Giorgi Anna, Agriculture Faculty, University of Milan, Italy

Grogg Alain, HES-SO Valais/Wallis, Sion, Switzerland

Hostettmann Kurt, University of Geneva, Switzerland

Nicola Silvana, Department of Agronomy, University of Turin, Italy

Simonnet Xavier, Mediplant, Conthey, Switzerland

Stuppner Hermann, Institute of Pharmacy / Pharmacognosy, University of Innsbruck, Austria

Vender Carla, Agricultural Research Council (CRA), Roma, Italy

Scientific Program

Tuesday, July 5 : arrival at Saas-Fee, evening reception.

Wednesday, July 6 to Friday July 8 : presentations related to the subject of the Symposium according to the following categories :

- Genetic resources, botany, phytochemistry
- Domestication, breeding and molecular assisted selection
- Physiology and biotechnology
- Cultivation, plant protection and harvesting
- Post harvest treatments: drying, extraction, product formulation

Saturday, July 9 : Botanical excursion.

Important Deadlines

Abstract submission : **25 February 2011**
Notification of acceptance : **15 March 2011**
Author registration : **15 April 2011**
Full paper submission : **31 July 2011**

Abstract submission

Abstracts for oral and poster presentations must be submitted electronically through :
<http://publish.actahort.org/ishs/handle/123456789/181> no later than **25 February 2011**.

After login, you can submit your abstract online. Abstracts are limited to 300 words and must be submitted in English. A **manual for online abstract submission** is available on the link mentioned above. Authors are kindly requested to indicate, at the end of the abstract, whether they would prefer an oral or poster presentation.

Final decisions for acceptance of the papers as oral or poster presentations will be taken by the scientific committee, with the possibility for some papers to be switched to poster presentations, with notification to the authors.

The presenting author must register in full for the Symposium **no later than 15 April 2011** or the abstract will be withdrawn from the program.

Paper submission

Once the abstract has been accepted for oral or poster presentation, authors are expected to submit their papers in English, following the ISHS Authors Guidelines (www.ishs.org/wri/pap1.htm, see paper sample), taking into account the following considerations in particular :

- Maximum length of paper is 6 pages, on DIN A4 size, according to the ISHS format instructions. Text, tables, figures, etc., must be included in a single file.
- Papers will be published by the ISHS in *Acta Horticulturae* as proceedings of the Symposium.
- Papers must be submitted electronically through <http://publish.actahort.org/ishs/handle/123456789/181>. **before 31 juillet 2011**. A **manual for online paper submission** is available on the link mentioned above.

All participants to the workshop will receive one copy of the Symposium proceedings.

Registration

Please register online at : www.agroscope.admin.ch/mapmountain

Registration fees in Swiss Francs

	Before February 1st, 2011	After February 1st, 2011
ISHS members	CHF 370.00	CHF 420.00
Non members	CHF 470.00	CHF 520.00
Students	CHF 270.00	CHF 320.00

The registration fee includes : Symposium conferences, coffee breaks and lunches during the Symposium, abstracts booklet and the Symposium proceedings in *Acta Horticulturae*.

Social events

Gala dinner on Thursday, July 7	CHF 50.00
Botanical excursion on Saturday, July 9	CHF 25.00

Accommodation

Rooms will be booked by the organizing committee and participants are kindly required **not to contact these hotels directly**. The prices are in Swiss francs for one person for one night. All the hotels are situated near the Congress Center "Steinmatte".

	Single	Double
Hotels ***	CHF 99.00	CHF 89.00
Hotels ****	CHF 170.00	CHF 140.00
Residence	CHF 140.00	CHF 110.00

Hotels **** and Residence

Hotel Allalin & Residence
3906 Saas-Fee
Phone +41 27 958 10 00
www.allalin.ch

Best Western Metropol Grand Hotel
P.O. Box
3906 Saas Fee
phone +41 (0)27 958 58 58
www.metropol-saas-fee.ch

Hotels ***

Hotel Marmotte
3906 Saas-Fee
phone +41 27 958 78 10
www.hotelmarmotte.ch

Hotel Artemis
3906 Saas-Fee
phone +41 27 957 32 01
www.artemis-saasfee.ch

Sporthotel
3906 Saas-Fee
phone +41 27 958 13 58
www.sporthotel-saas-fee.ch

Social Program

The Organizing Committee offers two optional activities :

Gala dinner on Thursday 7 July 2011

Enjoy a funny typical evening in restaurant "Le Holzwurm" where you can eat the traditional meal 'La raclette' (cheese with potatoes). **CHF 50.00** per person, with drinks.

Botanical excursion on Saturday 9 July 2011

More details to be announced. **CHF 25.00** per person.

Payment

The registration fees must be free of charges or bank commission. Please specify your Surname and First Name along with the "Symposium ISHS-ACW" as reason of payment. Please send the receipt or the copy of the payment to the Organizing Secretariat, otherwise the access to the Symposium will not be allowed. Please also take the receipt with you to be able to show it upon arrival if necessary.

Deadline for payment : 15 April 2011 (do not pay before 01.01.2011)

Methods of payment : Bank wire transfer

in CHF :

Swiss National Bank
p.o. Box 2800
8022 Zürich
IBAN: CH49 0011 0001 5305 0003 6
BIC: SNBZCHZZ30A
Mention : Symposium ISHS-ACW

in EUR:

Swiss National Bank
2800
8022 Zürich
IBAN: CH48 00110001 5305 0073 3
BIC: SNBZCHZZ30A
Mention : Symposium ISHS-ACW

Cancellation policy

For written cancellations received by the Organizing Secretariat **no later than May 31, 2011**, a penalty of 50% of the entire fee will be applied; no refund is provided for cancellations received after this date or for no-shows.

General Information

Saas-Fee

The Symposium will be a unique opportunity to extend your stay in Saas Fee for climbing, summer skiing, mountain-biking or hiking. Nicknamed the 'Pearl of the Alps', Saas Fee is a car free alpine village located in the southern part of Switzerland, close to the Italian border, in the middle of the highest mountains of the Swiss Alps (> 4'000 m. a.s.l.), including the world-famous Matterhorn/Cervin (<http://www.saas-fee.ch>). The valley of Saas benefits from a mild and constant climate, with 300 days of sunshine per year.

Congress Centre "Steinmatte"

The Symposium will be held in the Congress Centre "[Steinmatte](#)", situated near the hotels.

Directions

By airplane : Zürich or Geneva airport (Switzerland) and train to Visp and postal bus to Saas Fee.

By car : Search for Saas Fee in viamichelin : <http://www.viamichelin.ch>

By train : Search for your travel plan to Saas Fee in www.sbb.ch. Saas Fee is 3h from Zurich, 3.30h from Geneva and 3h from Milan. <http://www.sbb.ch/en/index.htm>
At your arrival you can walk from the parking/bus station or call the hotel who will drive you with an electric car.



Suggested additional visits and excursions

- Guided tour of Saas Fee
- Museum visit and aperitive
- Visit of the Ice pavilion and aperitive (4,5 hours)
- Guided climbing to the top of Mount Allalin, 4027 m. (one whole day)
- Guided tour to the Mittaghorn via ferrata 3143 m

For all these activities and other suggestions, please contact directly :

Mrs Jeannine Burri
Saas-Fee Tourismus
CH-3906 Saas-Fee
mice@saas-fee.com
www.saas-fee.ch
phone : +41 27 958 18 58

Symposium Contact

Convenor

Dr. Christoph Carlen
Agroscope Changins-Wädenswil ACW
Research Centre Conthey
Route des vergers 18
CH-1964 Conthey
phone : +41 (0)27 345 35 13
fax : +41 (0)27 346 30 17
christoph.carlen@acw.admin.ch

Symposium secretary

Chantal Chassot
Agroscope Changins-Wädenswil ACW
Research Centre Conthey
Route des vergers 18
CH-1964 Conthey
phone : +41 (0)27 345 35 16
fax : +41 (0)27 346 30 17
chantal.chassot@acw.admin.ch