



## 8th International Triticeae Symposium 2017

June 12-16, 2017

Wernigerode, Germany

### FIRST CIRCULAR

In continuation of a very successful series of seven conferences, we would like to invite you to participate in the 8<sup>th</sup> International Triticeae Symposium (8ITS) that will be held June 12-16, 2017 in Wernigerode, Germany.

We look forward to welcoming you in Wernigerode.

### SCOPE

Triticeae is the economically most important tribe in the grass family (Poaceae). It contains the major cereal crops and forage grasses such as wheat, barley and rye. It also includes important fodder grasses in genera such as *Agropyron*, *Elymus*, *Leymus*, and *Psathyrostachys*. Because of their economic importance, plants in Triticeae are commonly used for applied and theoretical research and compared with other tribes in Poaceae.

The International Triticeae Symposium is an interdisciplinary conference organised by the International Triticeae Consortium, plant genetic resources researchers, and others. The previous seven Symposia were held in Sweden (1991), United States (1994), Syria (1997), Spain (2001), Czech Republic (2005), Japan (2009), and China (2013). Its primary goal is to bring together outstanding scientists working with Triticeae to exchange information on progress and discuss future research directions with our common interests – to understand and effectively utilise Triticeae species for the benefit of humankind.

### TOPICS

This symposium comprises four main themes:

- Taxonomy, Phylogeny and Phytogeography
- Biodiversity and Conservation
- Genetics and Genomics
- Breeding and Utilisation

Other topics include: domestication, evolution, plant genetic resources.

The Local Organising Committee invites you to enjoy this meeting and welcomes any suggestions on the Scientific and Social Programmes.



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### HOST / VENUE

#### Host:

Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK) Gatersleben  
OT Gatersleben, Corrensstr. 3, D-06466 Stadt Seeland, Germany

<http://www.ipk-gatersleben.de>

#### Conference Venue:

Harzer Kultur- & Kongresshotel Wernigerode  
Pfarrstr. 41, D-38855 Wernigerode, Germany

<http://www.hkk-wr.de>

### IMPORTANT DATES

February 15, 2017	Abstract submission deadline
March 15, 2017	Notification of acceptance
April 1, 2017	Registration deadline
June 12-16, 2017	Conference

### REGISTRATION

Registration and abstract submission are being managed by the local organising committee. Please register via [Conftool](#).

#### Registration Fee:

The registration fee is 450 €.

The registration fee includes admission to all sessions, welcome reception, coffee and refreshments in the breaks, symposium lunches, accommodation including breakfast, social excursions, and the transfers between Wernigerode and Gatersleben for the venue programme at IPK.

#### Cancellation:

Cancellation must be notified in writing to the local organising committee. Please refer to the following cut-off date for cancellation. For administrative reasons, refunds will be made after the meeting only. Bank charges will be deducted from the refunded amount.

Before April 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	Full refund (less EUR 50 processing fee)
From April 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	No refund



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### TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

[Wernigerode](#) lies almost in the heart of Germany and can easily be reached from nearby cities and airports by public transportation and car.

#### Nearby airports:

- [Berlin Brandenburg \(TXL/ SXF\)](#)
- [Halle-Leipzig \(LEJ\)](#)
- [Hannover-Langenhagen \(HAJ\)](#)

From the airports you can travel by train or by car. Car rental agencies should be available at all airports.

#### Travelling by train:

Deutsche Bahn offers [connections to Wernigerode](#) from any German city. From Central Station Wernigerode to the HKK Hotel Wernigerode you need about 10-15 minutes by foot or about 5-10 minutes by Taxi ([directions](#)).

#### Travelling by car:

[Wernigerode](#) can easily be accessed via highway B6 from the German Autobahn. Coming from Berlin and Hannover based airports, travelling time may be about two hours.

#### Accommodation:

We accommodate all participants in the [Harzer Kultur- und Kongresshotel Wernigerode](#). Accommodation cost is included in the registration fee.

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The conference will comprise plenary sessions with invited keynote lectures and talks as well as poster sessions. You are invited to submit an abstract for an oral presentation or a poster contribution.

Please submit your abstract until February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 after registration through the online platform of Conftool. By March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the organisers will select oral or poster contributions based on the abstracts submitted.



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### ORGANISATION

#### Local Organising Committee:

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- Helmut Knüpffer (secretary) (IPK Gatersleben, Germany)
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### SYMPOSIUM WEBSITE

<http://www.ipk-gatersleben.de/meetings/8th-international-triticeae-symposium-2017>

