



Root-Benefit

Beneficial root-associated micro-organisms for sustainable agriculture

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Strategies for Bridging Knowledge and Application

Preliminary Program

2nd Annual Meeting 2025





Wednesday May 21st

8:00-8:45 Welcome participants

8:45-9:00 Introduction

9:00-12:15 WG1 session

9:00 Natacha Bodenhausen (FiBL, Switzerland). Title to be announced

9:30 Claire Stanely (Imperial, UK). Title to be announced

10:00 short talk

10:15 short talk

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 short talk

11:15 short talk

11:30 short talk

11:45 short talk

12:00 short talk

12:15 - 12:30 Flash presentations of posters

12:30 -14:00 Lunch

14:00-17.15 WG2 session

14:00 **Keynote lecture** - Sofie Goormachtig (VIB-Ghent University, Belgium). "How do rhizobacteria promote plant growth? All roads lead to Rome."

14:30 **Keynote lecture** - Rene Geurts (Wageningen University, The Netherlands). "Evolution of a NIN-LIKE PROTEIN into a Master Regulator of Nitrogen-Fixing Nodulation."

15:00 short talk

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15:30 - 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 short talk

16:15 short talk

16:30 short talk

16:45 short talk

17:00 short talk

17:15 - 17:30 Flash presentation of posters

17:30-19:00 Poster session with appetizers



Dinner

Thursday May 22nd

8:45 - 12.00 WG3 session

8:45 **Keynote lecture** - Thomas Kuyper (WUR Wageningen). "Ecosystem services provided by arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi: economic versus ecological valuation."

9:15 **Keynote lecture** - Vítor João Pereira Domingues Martinho (Polytechnic Institute of Viseu, Portugal). "Economic evaluation of beneficial microbes and ecosystem services: Methodologies, challenges and examples."

9:45 short talk

10:00 short talk

10:15 -10: 45 Coffee break

10:45 short talk

11:00 short talk

11:15 short talk

11:30 short talk

11:45 short talk

12:00 -13:30 Lunch

13:30-16:45 WG4 session

13:30 **Keynote lecture**- Vasilis Kokkoris (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam) Title to be announced.

14:00 **Keynote lecture** to be announced

14:30 short talk

14:45 short talk

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 short talk

15:45 short talk

16:00 short talk

16:15 short talk

16:30 short talk

16:45 General information about the Action

17:30 Closure

Friday May 23rd

9.00-12.00 MC meeting

