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EFSA 10th ANNIVERSARY RISK ASSESSMENT IN PLANT HEALTH

1 October 2012
Helsinki, Finland

The European Food Safety Authority EFSA is organizing a 10th Anniversary event with plant health focus in Helsinki, 1 October 2012. The event will take place in Säätytalo, Snellmaninkatu 9-11, 00170 Helsinki, Finland.

Preliminary program

09:30	Welcome and opening of the meeting
09:45	EFSA and the EU food safety system: A 10 year perspective
10:15	An overview of EFSA's plant health related activities - past, present and future
10:45	<i>COFFEE BREAK</i>
11:00	EFSA PLH Guidance documents <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guidance on a harmonised framework for pest risk assessment• Guidance on evaluation of risk reduction options
12:00	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>
13:30	EFSA PLH Scientific Opinions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pest Risk Assessment of Solanaceous pospiviroids for the EU territory• Evaluation of Pest Risk Analysis on <i>Phytophthora ramorum</i>• Mortality verification of pinewood nematode from high temperature treatment of shavings
15:00	<i>COFFEE BREAK</i>
15:20	EFSA PLH Grants and Procurements – in support of science <ul style="list-style-type: none">• EFSA Art. 36 grant - Plant health pest surveys for the EU territory: an analysis of data quality and methodologies and the resulting uncertainties for pest risk assessment (PERSEUS)• EFSA Art. 36 grant - Pest risk assessment for the European Community plant health: a comparative approach with case studies (PRIMA PHACIE)• EFSA outsourced project - Quantitative Pathway Analysis of Plant pests
17:00	<i>END OF MEETING</i>

Registration

Please, register for both the EFSA 10th Anniversary event and for the Seminar on Pest Risk Assessment via this link [ONLINE REGISTRATION](#) not later than **10th September 2012**. There is no fee for registration.

SEMINAR ON PEST RISK ASSESSMENT

2-3 October 2012

Helsinki, Finland

Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira is organizing a Seminar on Pest Risk Assessment in Helsinki, Finland, 2-3 October 2012. The seminar will take place in Säätytalo, Snellmaninkatu 9-11, 00170 Helsinki, Finland.

Program

Tuesday 2nd October

09:00	Welcome <i>Matti Aho, Director General, Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira</i>
09:10	Population ecology of invasions and their management <i>Andrew Liebhold, USDA Forest Service, USA</i>
10:20	COFFEE BREAK
	Screening and prioritising risks
10:40	Potential alien pests identified by SOM-analysis <i>Irene Vänninen, MTT Agrifood Research Finland</i>
11:00	Detection of alien viruses and viroids in plants by siRNA deep-sequencing <i>Jari Valkonen, University of Helsinki, Finland</i>
11:15	Risk prioritization schemes of invasive pathogens, pests and weeds <i>Jaakko Heikkilä, MTT Agrifood Research Finland</i>
11:45	Pathways of forest pest and pathogen invasions <i>Alberto Santini, Istituto per la Protezione delle Piante - Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Italy</i>
12:30	LUNCH
	Epidemiology
13:40	Modelling pest's epidemiology <i>Vittorio Rossi, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy /European Food Safety Authority, the Panel on Plant Health</i>
14:40	Survival and host range of <i>Phytophthora</i> found in Finnish nurseries <i>Anna Rytkönen, The Finnish Forest Research Institute</i>
15:00	COFFEE BREAK
	Emerging risks
15:20	Fungi infecting cultivated moss can also cause disease in crop plants <i>Mikko Lehtonen, University of Helsinki, Finland</i>
15:35	Emerging pest risks in potato production <i>Asko Hannukkala, MTT Agrifood Research Finland</i>
16:10	Emerging pathogen risks in forestry <i>Jarkko Hantula, The Finnish Forest Research Institute</i>
16:45	CLOSING OF THE FIRST DAY

19:00 Seminar Dinner at Restaurant [Kappeli](#)

Wednesday, 2nd October

	Endangered areas
09:00	Addressing the challenge of mapping endangered areas in pest risk analysis <i>Richard Baker, the Food and Environment Research Agency Fera, United Kingdom / European Food Safety Authority, the Panel on Plant Health</i>
10:00	The role of photoperiodic response on the range expansion of species <i>Kari Saikkonen, MTT Agrifood Research Finland</i>
10:20	Climate change and range shifts of forest pest insects <i>Henri Vanhanen, MTT Agrifood Research Finland</i>
10:40	COFFEE BREAK
	Genetics of invasions
11:00	Genetic factors affecting invasion success <i>Leena Lindström, University of Jyväskylä, Finland</i>
11:50	The role of stressors on invasion potential <i>Saija Piironen, University of Jyväskylä, Finland</i>
12:10	Evolution of the genetic structure of expanding populations <i>Lionel Roques, French National Institute for Agricultural Research INRA</i>
12:30	LUNCH
13:40	Mechanistic-statistical modelling of pest invasions <i>Lionel Roques, French National Institute for Agricultural Research INRA</i>
14:40	COFFEE BREAK
15:00	State-space models of animal movement <i>Otso Ovaskainen, University of Helsinki, Finland</i>
16:00	CLOSING OF THE SEMINAR

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Accommodation

The participants are requested to make the bookings themselves. E.g., the following hotels are located reasonably near the seminar venue.

- [GLO Hotel](#)
- [Sokos Hotel Helsinki](#)
- [Holiday Inn](#)
- [Hotel Arthur](#)
- [Scandic Continental](#)
- [Hotel Helka](#)
- [Omena Hotel](#)
- [Eurohostel](#)

A map showing the location of the seminar venue and the hotels above can be found at <http://bit.ly/KXla8c>

Home page of the events <http://www.evira.fi/portal/praseminar>

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