First Announcement

International Advanced Course on
Using Managed Pollinators for Dissemination of Biological Control Agents for Suppression of Insect, Fungal & Other Pests of Crops

University of Belgrade – Faculty of Biology, Serbia & Co-sponsors

May 2019 (dates to be announced)
Duration: 1 week (Monday to Friday)

Pollinator Vectoring Technology (Apivectoring/Entomovectoring)

Why use it? How does it work?

Boosting crop yields through non-chemical protection from pests and diseases while enhancing pollination.

Course curriculum

- Pollinator/Flower Relations (Basic Principles)
- Crop Pests (Fungi, Insects, others)
- Technological Development (from experimental tests to commercial application)
- Examples (Soft & Tender Fruit; Orchards; Sunflowers & Oilseed crops; Coffee; others)
- Timing & Phenology of flowering, fungal and insect pest activities: when to use the technology
- Biocontrol agents available (pros & cons)
- Dosing the vector and the crop
- Dispersal of biocontrol agents through pollinator foraging ranges
- Monitoring methodology & requirements
- Economic analyses & Benefit:Cost ratio
- Registration: Target animal safety; Environmental issues; Human exposure safety; Agent formulation & labelling
- Class Exercises and Field Experiment (probably with Raspberries, bumblebees, against grey mould)
- Discussions & Debates

Registration Costs: approximately US$ 900 or €800 (excluding travel, accommodations and meals)
Reduced Registration costs for members of ICPPR, IOBC, and Students (to be determined)
Accommodations & some meals to be provided by University of Belgrade (costs to be announced)
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