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Dear Colleagues,

We are happy to draw your attention to the upcoming International Symposium on Vegetable Grafting. The Congress will take place in Viterbo, Italy from the 3rd until the 5th of October 2011. The Symposium is an excellent opportunity to network the scientists and technical operators working/involved in grafting activities. There will be plenary presentations, poster presentations, poster viewings, discussion groups and of course, a nice excursion and other social events. All information will be available soon on the website www.grafting2011.com

Sessions

The Symposium will be divided into the following four sessions:

- Genetic resources, breeding, and grafting technique
- Scion-rootstock interaction: physiology and fruit quality
- Biotic stress
- Abiotic stress

Registration

Colleagues interested in coming have to send a registration form and the receipt of fee payment to the symposium secretariat by email letizia@promotuscia.it or fax 039(0)761308480.

Contributions

You are welcome to submit one or two abstract/s directly to: grafting@unitus.it. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is May 31st, 2011. Submitted abstracts will be evaluated by the scientific committee and acceptance will be communicated to authors before June 30th, 2011. All oral and poster presentations are eligible for abstract publication in the Symposium Proceedings.

Manuscripts

All oral and poster presenters are requested to submit a manuscript to be published in the Special Issue 'Advances on Vegetable Grafting Research' of Scientia Horticulturae.

We're looking forward to meeting you in Viterbo at the Vegetable Grafting Symposium.

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Viterbo is a small town 80 km north of Rome. Viterbo has ancient Etruscan origin and is also called the "Pope's town" since many Popes originated here. Viterbo's architecture is regarded as some of the most impressive in the Latium (Lazio) region and includes; aristocratic palaces, charming medieval quarters, churches and cloisters of various ages, slender towers and elegant peperino fountains. The historic centre of Viterbo began developing in the Middle Ages around the "Castrum Viterbii" on the cathedral's hill. Two centuries after being founded the town became so big that it contended with nearby Rome for the honour and pride of the Pope's residence. The old town is surrounded by imposing medieval walls and massive towers, built between 1095 and 1268, and seven gates.

