

Nematology News

35th ESN Symposium Córdoba, Spain



Dear colleagues,

Greetings from the Local Organization Committee of the 35th Symposium of the European Society of Nematologists. We cordially invite you to participate in the upcoming ESN2024 meeting [<https://esn24cordoba.com/>], to be held in Cordoba (Spain) from 15 to 19 April 2024. ESN2024 will take place in the Palace of Congresses and Exhibitions of Cordoba [<https://www.turismodecordoba.org/palace-of-congresses-and-exhibitions>], right in front of the world heritage site of the Mosque-Cathedral of Cordoba.

Register before 15th February 2024 at [<https://esn24cordoba.com/registration/>] to benefit from the early registration fees. Abstract submission [<https://esn24cordoba.com/abstracts/>] is now open until 15th February 2024. The scientific program of the symposium [<https://esn24cordoba.com/program/>] will include oral and poster sessions on all Nematological subjects and plenary talks given by keynote speakers on the most updated Nematological research and issues [<https://esn24cordoba.com/speakers/>].

There are plenty of accommodation options for all budgets nearby. Please have a look to our hotel suggestions at [<https://esn24cordoba.com/accommodation/>] or book through your favorite travel agent. It is advisable to book early due to the high touristic season at the time of the meeting. Cordoba is a city with an impressive cultural and monumental patrimony. Cordoba holds four inscriptions in the World Heritage List granted by the UNESCO: the Mosque-Cathedral, the historic quarters around it, the Courtyards Festival and the site of Medina Azahara. In addition, it shares the titles of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity awarded to Flamenco (2010) and the Mediterranean Diet (2013) with the rest of Spain. More Information and registration are available at [<https://esn24cordoba.com/>]

We look forward to seeing you all and to share the scientific advances that will be presented during the upcoming 35th International Symposium of the European Society of Nematologists in Cordoba, Spain. April 2024.

The Local Organizing Committee

ESN 2024 Córdoba, Spain

We hope to see many of you at the 35th International Symposium of the European Society of Nematologists, to be held in Córdoba (Spain) by 15-19 April, 2024.

NEW DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION : 15th February, 2024 There will be no extension !

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ESN Award and Financial support for “green” attendance to the ESN 2024 symposium



To demonstrate its commitment to sustainable development, ESN would like to encourage "greener" travel to the 35th International Nematology Symposium in Córdoba, Spain (April 15-19, 2024).

To this end, we will be rewarding the most original and significant initiative in terms of reducing carbon emissions when attending the 2024 symposium.

Application criteria:

- Candidates must be ESN members at the time of application and still be members at the time of the congress/symposium (*).
- Candidates may apply either as individuals or as a group of individuals from the same laboratory, but not both.
- Applications for either a single way or a return trip are both accepted.
- Applicants must provide the ESN secretary with proof of ticket purchase on arrival at the symposium venue.
- The applicant's institution must not be located in the country organizing the symposium, but exceptions will be considered if the applicant's institution is remote from the symposium venue.

An application form is available at: https://www.esn-online.org/assets/symposium-20224/d1c6f6351a/Call-for-Green-Attendance_version-Oct2023.pdf

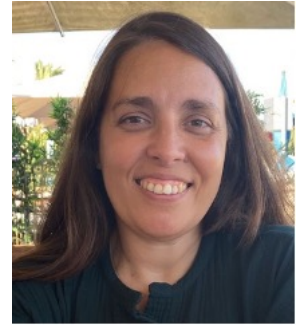
The completed form should be submitted to the Secretary (Eric Grenier) before **1st March 2024**. Applications will be rated by a committee appointed by the ESN Governing Board and the awarded application presented during the symposium Gala dinner. The initiative with the greatest originality and/or the greatest reduction in carbon emissions compared to air travel will receive a cash prize equivalent to 50% of the cost of the trip with a ceiling of €500 for individual applications (€1500 for a group of individuals).

(*) Please visit our website <https://www.esn-online.org/how-to-become-a-member> to join on-line. Memberships only costs € 40 for two consecutive years.

ESN Governing board nomination

During the ESN General meeting on Thursday 18th April 2024 from 17h till 18h30 at the upcoming ESN symposium in Córdoba a new ESN governing board member will be elected. One nomination has been received putting forward Claudia Vincente from Portugal.

Claudia joined Manuel Mota's Lab (NemaLab, University of Évora, Portugal) in 2009 to study the role of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* associated bacteria in the complex Pine Wilt Disease (PWD). From 2012 till 2016, Claudia was a postdoctoral fellow in Japan, first from the Heiwa Nakajima Foundation and later from Japanese Society for Promotion of Science, at Koichi Hasegawa's Lab (Chubu University, Japan) to continue her studies on the biology of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* and their associated microbiota. She is now the lab manager of NemaLab (University of Evora). Her current projects focus on the study of the microbiota associated with nematodes (e.g., pinewood nematode), and understanding of molecular mechanisms involved in the parasitism of migratory nematodes (e.g., *Pratylenchus penetrans*) for the development of novel control approaches. Claudia enjoys travelling and establish new scientific collaborations.



ESN 2026 host selection



Blagoevgrad 2006 Vienna 2010 Adana 2012 Braga 2016 Gent 2018 Córdoba 2024

Bids for the organization of the ESN Symposium 2026 should be sent to the Secretary and Treasures (Eric Grenier and Hans Helder) **by 15th February 2024**. For further directions (Guidelines for the host selection) contact the Secretary Eric Grenier.

Young Nematologists Network (YNN)

Don't forget to become a YNN member using the QR code!



Upcoming meetings



75th ISCP - Tuesday 21st May 2024, Ghent, Belgium



A one-day event with parallel sessions on nematology, agricultural entomology and acarology, phytopathology, herbology and formulation and application technology, pesticide residues, toxicology and ecotoxicology

<https://www.ugent.be/bw/plants-and-crops/iscp/en>



20th International Plant Protection Congress 1-5 July, Athens, Greece

<https://www.ippcathens2024.gr/>



The **6th Symposium of Potato Cyst Nematode Management** will cover many aspects, including international distribution, genetic diversity, sampling and decision making, population dynamics, diagnostics, integrated management, biology and application of resistance, use of effectors, rotational control, chemical control, biological control and novel control methods such as RNAi and biofumigation.

<https://web.cvent.com/event/56a2ab8b-e15c-452b-8262-46b5cad84d84/summary>

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Information needed for the newsletter

The ESN Governing Board would like this newsletter to be a Forum that is more widely used by the membership to share news and information. So, if you have any information and/or images that might be of interest to ESN members please send a note to the editors (Wim Wesemael - wim.wesemael@ilvo.vlaanderen.be or Bart Vandenbossche - b.vandenbossche@e-nema.de). All that is needed is a small amount of text in a word file or an email message, along with an accompanying image.