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14th February

08:30 General Assembly
09:20 Presidential address – ALEXANDRE QUILLET

1 Opening session
Chairman: ROBERT OLSSON (NBR)
09:30 JOÃO PACHECO (EU Commission): The CAP and the long-term sustainability of the sugar beet sector in the EU
10:00 NIELS PORKSEN (Nordzucker): Sustainability – an integrated part of the beet sugar industry from customer to grower
10:20 Coffee break
10:50 OLAF CHRISTEN (MLU Halle-Wittenberg): Sustainable sugar beet production between science and politics
11:10 HUBERT BOIZARD (Centre INRA de Lille): Sustainability of cultivation of sugar beet: current state and perspectives
11:30 General discussion
(Chairman: ALEXANDRE QUILLET)
12:00 Lunch (served in the hotel)

2 Poster Session
13:30 - 14:40
14:40 Coffee break

3 Production and Sustainability
Chairman: KEITH JAGGARD (Broom’s Barn)
15:10 KEITH JAGGARD (Broom’s Barn): The yield gap in some sugar beet producing countries
15:30 FABIENNE MAUPAS (ITB): Yield increase since 1990: is there a favourable effect of climate change?
15:50 BRAM HANE (IRS): How to raise sugar yield substantially?
16:10 HEINRICH REINKE (IfZ): Significance of the energy input for eco-efficiency in sugar beet cultivation – results of a survey in Germany
16:30 NICOL STOCKFISCH (IfZ): Rethinking sugar beet cultivation? Sustainable biomass production according to the RED
16:50 BJÖRN WINDFALL (Nordic Sugar): Internet goes social – new possibilities for grower communication that can contribute to a sustainable development
17:10 General discussion
17:30 End of day one
19:00 Reception at the Belgian Comic Strip Centre (Centre Belge de la Bande Dessiné)

15th February

4 Harvest and storage (Mini-seminar)
Chairman: FRANS TJINK (IRS)
08:30 Introduction
FRANS TJINK (IRS): Harvesting and storage aimed at maximum delivery of the grown sugar (beet) for processing
JAN MAARTEN DE BRULIN (AB SUGAR): Impact of beet quality on processing
Short contributions and discussion
• ANDREAS WINDT (Nordzucker)
• JEAN-PIERRE VANDERGETEN (KBIVB-IRBAB)
• CHRISTA HOFFMANN (IfZ)
• CORD LINNES (ZAV Magdeburg / ZAV Niedersachsen Ost)
• GUY LEGRAND (IRBAB)
10:10 Coffee break

5 Open session
Chairman: BERNWARD MÄRLÄNDER (IfZ)
10:40 GIUSEPPE CIUFFREDA (BETA): Energy beet (Beta vulgaris) in Italy: first considerations on crop productivity, storability, environmental sustainability and profitability
11:00 LUCINDA JAMES (Broom’s Barn): Resistance to multiple pathogens in sugar beet: characterisation of Chromosome IV
11:20 ELMA RAUJMÄCKERS (IRS): Sustainable methods to control Heterodera betae
11:40 RÉMY DUVAL (ITB): Evaluation of pure and associated legumes cover crops as a nitrogen source for the following crop

6 Integrated Pest Management (Mini-seminar)
Chairman: MARC RICHARD-MOLARD (ITB)
14:50 ANNETTE GUMMERT (IfZ): The German approach of a sugar beet specific IPM guideline
HERVE ESCHIU (ITB): Integrated pest management strategies in sugar beet in France
Short contributions and discussion
• KLAUS BÜRCKY (Südzucker)
• ASA OLSSON (NBR)
• FRANCO CIONI (BETA)
• JULIAN AYALA (AIMCRA)
16:30 ROBERT OLSSON (NBR): Closing words
End of congress