# AIAC-2016

# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Africa-International Allelopathy Congress

November 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 CONCORDE Green Park Palace \*\*\*\*\* El Kantaoui - Sousse - TUNISIA

## «ALLELOPATHY FOR SUSTAINABILITY »

## «L'ALLELOPATHIE POUR LA DURABILITE»

«المجاهضة لتحقيق الاستدامة»

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#### INVITATION

#### **Dear Colleagues and friends**

After the success of the first Africa-International Allelopathy Congress, the Higher Agronomic Institute of Chott-Mariem, the Tunisian Association for Sustainable Agriculture and the Local Organizing Committee cordially invite you to attend the second edition, which will be held in the beautiful city of Sousse, Tunisia, from 16 to 19 of November, 2016. In this congress, we will gather to share the most recent scientific and technical information about allelopathy on a global basis and to interact with scientists from all around the world. Through the great contribution of allelopathy scientists from many countries, we are developing a comprehensive scientific program for information dissemination, ample discussion and international cooperation. Graduate students will have the opportunity to meet and discuss their researches with eminent scientists. Allelopathy is an attractive research field, still develloping and full of original findings. We expect to attract the attention of scientists, farmers and consumers. We hope that you will find the information presented in this circular useful to help you plan a contribution in this congress and to contribute to make it a real success.

The venue is one of the natural beauty and numerous recreational opportunities that exist in this area for those who would like to arrive early or stay after congress period.

Best regards,

The Organizing Committee

#### ABOUT ATAD

The Tunisian Association for Sustainable Agriculture « Association Tunisienne pour une Agriculture Durable, ATAD» was created in March 2013 for scientific purposes, specifically to promote the cooperation between Tunisian scientists and to develop such scientific collaborations throughout the world. Further informations on ATAD activities are available at the following link: https://fr-fr.facebook.com/AssociationTunisiennePourUneAgricultureDurableAtad

#### **HOST CITY**

#### Sousse

Queen of the coast, facing an azure-colored sea, Sousse is a majestic medina with high crenellated ramparts, a busy, dynamic town with long beaches of golden sand. Its rich past is still tangible through its exceptional monuments. Of the various points of interest that Sousse has to offer, the medina is by far the most fascinating. Perfectly conserved within its ramparts, it contains a number of major monuments such as The Ribat, a fortress that dates back to the 8<sup>th</sup> century, the Great Mosque which is built in 850AD, the imposing Kasbah, a tall square tower of 30-meters high, the famous archeological museum with its large collection of mosaics and the underground catacombs of Sousse, the second largest of the antic world after Rome. Today Sousse is the third city of Tunisia. It is associated with olive oil manufacture and has other industries, but tourism is predominating. Busy port, open to the town center and adds a touch of liveliness to its activity. It has a Mediterranean climate with hot, dry summers and warm, mild wet winters. The seaside location moderates the climate, making it an all-season resort and some 1,200,000 visitors come every year to enjoy its hotels and restaurants, nightclubs, casinos, beaches and sports facilities

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATIONS

Time zone: GMT+1 Climate in November: Average temperature: 20-24°C, Average sea temperature: 21.5°C Languages: Arabic (Official), French (widely spoken), English. Currency: Tunisian Dinar (TND) Entry requirements: A valid passport. EU citizens do not require visa. Other nationals are advised to check their entry requirements with the Tunisian Embassy in their country. Health regulations: No vaccinations are required. Internet domain: .tn, International dialing code: +216

#### THEME OF THE CONGRESS

The theme of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Africa-International Allelopathy Congress is « ALLELOPATHY FOR SUSTAINABILITY". Known as the ability to continue a defined behavior indefinitely, the sustainability requires that the behavior we wish to continue indefinitely must be clear. A complete definition of sustainability is based on three aspects: environmental, economic, and social sustainability, which form its three pillars. Environmental sustainability is the ability to maintain rates of renewable resource harvest, pollution reduction, and non-renewable resource depletion that can be continued indefinitely. Economic sustainability is the ability to support a defined level of economic production indefinitely. Social sustainability is the ability of a social system, to function at a defined level of social well being indefinitely. Moreover, by looking closely at the allelopathy definition, it appears that allelopathy is a safe alternative to sustain development in agriculture and forestry and maintenance of a clean environment for future generations. It aims to reduce the environmental pollution and maintain an ecological balance in fauna and flora through reduced use of nitrogenous fertilizers and pesticides and their substitution with biological nitrogen fixation and natural bio-based products. Hence the theme chosen for this second edition of AIAC 2016 is "ALLELOPATHY FOR SUSTAINABILITY". This Conference aims (i). To bring together active allelopathy researchers from Worldwide, (ii). To highlight the present status of research in the thrust areas and to plan for the future, (iii). To review progress, (iv). To identify constraints and (v). To project future goals for Basic and Applied Allelopathy Research in Organic Agriculture.

#### LANGUAGE

The official language of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Africa-International Allelopathy Congress will be English. All abstracts, posters and oral presentations will be in English without translation.

#### SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM TOPICS

- -T1: Allelopathy in sustainable and organic agriculture
- T2: Allelopathy in natural ecosystems
- T3: Allelopathy in Soil Sickness
- T4: Chemistry of allelochemicals
- T5: Molecular biology and genetics of allelopathy
- T6: Physiology and biochemistry of allelopathy
- T7: Allelopathy mechanisms and interactions

### **VENUE OF THE CONGRESS**

**ALL INCLUSIVE** 

CONCORDE

CONCORDE Green Park Palace \*\*\*\*\* El Kantaoui - Sousse – TUNISIA



In Port El Kantoui in Tunisia, Concorde Green Park Palace \*\*\*\*\*, a beautiful five stars hotel, in which luxury, charm and well-being are conjugated in an environment full of refinement and rare beauty....

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Ideally situated near Port ELKANTAOUI and the city of Sousse, famous for its night life and cultural curiosities, the Concorde Green Park Palace\*\*\*\*\* offers its guests besides the sea and beach pleasures, a rare and refined atmosphere. Spreading on 1500 square meters, in the middle of a luxuriant vegetation, the Concorde Green Park Palace\*\*\*\*\*, close to the golf course Port ELKANTAOUI, offers also the well-being at the Thalasso & Spa with which the hotel is directly linked and combining well-being, fitness and beauty. Also dedicated to Corporate needs, the Concorde Green Park Palace\*\*\*\*\* offers different spaces and areas for the organization of conventions and prestige events. A largest meeting room that Is directly open on the reception hall... Maximum capacity is up to 200 persons. The room is adaptable to any type of event... The hotel benefits of an exceptional situation because of the vicinity of Monastir International or Enfidha Airports (at 30 minutes).

#### TRAVEL TO ELKANTAOUI, SOUSSE

Foreign participants could arrive to one of the three airports of Tunisia: International airport of Tunis-Carthage, International Airport Enfidha Hammamet or International Airport Monastir Habib Bourguiba. The organizing committee will pick up guests in the airport and deliver them to the hotel. A distance is of about 120, 30 and 15 kilometers between the respective airports and the venue of the conference. Participants should inform the organizing committee about their arrival details (date, flight number, expected time of arrival and airport). It would be preferable to plan arrivals on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

#### POSTERS

#### AUDIO VISUAL ARRANGEMENTS

Contributed posters will be displayed for the duration of the congress, size: 70/90cm. Text, graphs and tables should be large and readable from a great distance. A photograph of the presenting author should appear on the poster to assist delegates in identifying him.

Posters should be set up for display on Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM and removed Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016, between 11:00 and 12:00. Materials not removed during this period will be considered as abandoned and discarded.

The presenting author will be expected to be available during the allocated poster session.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES				
Deadline	BEGINNING	End		
Submission of Abstracts		August 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2016		
Notification	September 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2016		
Duration of the Congress	November 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	November 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2016		
Marine Trip	November 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2016 after noon			
Departure		November 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2016		
Welcome of participants	November 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2016 afternoon			

#### SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Wednesday, November 16 <sup>th</sup>		Arrival and registration	
Thursday, November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Opening ceremony	Plenary lectures,	
	Plenary lectures	Symposia	
	Symposia	Poster session	
Friday, November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Plenary lectures	Plenary lectures,	GALLA DINNER
	Symposia	Symposia	(live music and tasting
		Poster session	of traditional and typical products)
Saturday, November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Plenary lectures		
	Symposia	Departure	
	General Assembly		
	And Business meeting		
	Closing ceremony		

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