



## **Workshop Announcement**

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# **EPSO Workshop Implementing a Plants and Microbiomes Strategy in Europe**

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*Cologne, 31.5.2018*

**The EPSO Working Group on Plants and Microbiomes has the pleasure to announce its second workshop to take place on 12 October 2018 (from 10:30 – 16:30) in Cologne.**

The venue will be: Max Planck Institute for Plant Breeding Research, Carl-von-Linné-Weg 10, 50829 Cologne, Germany

Deadline for registration: 2 October 2018

The aim of this second workshop is to define the needs of and provide advice to the current EU Horizon 2020, Work programme 2020, and its successor “Horizon Europe” (Framework Programme 9).

The meeting intends to increase collaborations between the working group members (via e.g. COST action, Coordination & Support Actions, initiate more collaborations both bi-and multi-lateral).

At the end of the meeting, a workshop report will be drafted which may ultimately lead to a white paper with current status, goals and next steps in plants and microbiomes research and will be provided as science advice to policy to the European Commission.

We kindly ask you to register for your participation by e-mail to Birgit Thron ([thron@mpipz.mpg.de](mailto:thron@mpipz.mpg.de)) before 2 October. No registration fee will be charged. Lunch will be taken in the canteen on the campus at the participants' own charge.

We hope welcoming you in Cologne in October!

Paul Schulze-Lefert, Angela Sessitsch and Karin Metzloff

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### **Contacts**

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### **Useful links**

EPSO Plant and Microbiomes Working Group including report from 1<sup>st</sup> workshop

[www.epsoweb.org/plants%20and%20microbiomes%20?1442753794=1](http://www.epsoweb.org/plants%20and%20microbiomes%20?1442753794=1)

EPSO communications: [www.epsoweb.org/epsoweb-communications](http://www.epsoweb.org/epsoweb-communications)

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### **About EPSO**

EPSO, the European Plant Science Organisation, is an independent academic organisation that represents more than 200 research institutes, departments and universities from 30 countries, mainly from Europe, and 3.300 individuals Personal Members, representing over 26 000 people working in plant science. EPSO's mission is to improve the impact and visibility of plant science in Europe, to provide authoritative source of independent information on plant science including science advice to policy, and to promote training of plant scientists to meet the 21st century challenges in breeding, agriculture, horticulture, forestry, plant ecology and sectors related to plant science. [www.epsoweb.org](http://www.epsoweb.org) | EU Transparency Register Number 38511867304-09

### **Administrative information:**

**Travel to the Max Planck Institute for Plant Breeding Research**, Carl-von-Linné-Weg 10, 50829 Cologne, Germany ([map](#))

#### By plane

Arrival at Cologne/Bonn Airport

Trains to Cologne main train station from the airport railway station (5 to 10 min. walk from Terminal D):

- City train "S12" or "S13"; Travel time: approx. 15 min.; Departure: every 20 min. (5:24 hrs, 5:44 hrs, 6:04 hrs); after 21:04 hrs every 30 min.; Fare: 2.70 Euro (button 1b)
- Regional train "RE8"; Travel time: approx. 15 min.; Departure: every 60 min. (7:08 hrs, 8:08 hrs); until 21:08 hrs; Fare: 2.70 Euro (button 1b)

Arrival at Düsseldorf Airport

Trains to Cologne main train station from Düsseldorf terminal railway station

- Take train IC, ICE, RE, RB and/or City train to Cologne main train station (for departure times please see train timetables)

Then continue as described under arrival at Cologne main train station.

#### By car:

Motorway A1 (north): Take the Bocklemünd exit (# 102), turn left at crossroads, drive along Venloer Straße, direction Köln-Zentrum. After approx. 2 km turn right at crossroads, drive along "Militärring". After approx. 1 km turn right and follow the signs to the Max Planck Institute.

Motorway A1 (south): Take the Lövenich exit (# 103), turn right at crossroads, drive along Aachener Straße, direction Köln-Zentrum.

After approx. 1 km turn right towards direction A1 (north), A57 (north), Ossendorf, (Militärring). Turn left at next crossroads (T crossing), take the third exit and follow the signs to the Max Planck Institute.

#### By taxi:

From Cologne/Bonn Airport to the institute: approx. 40 Euro.

From Düsseldorf Airport to the institute: approx. 70 Euro.

From Cologne main train station to the institute: approx. 20 Euro.

#### By train

Arrival at Cologne main train station (Köln Hauptbahnhof)

- Take tube line #5 (direction Am Butzweiler Hof), get off at stop Subbelrather Straße/Gürtel.
- Change here for bus #141 (direction Vogelsang) or bus # 143 (direction Bocklemünd). The bus stop is located opposite the crossroads on Subbelrather Straße. Get off at stop Goldammerweg.
- Walk (for approx. 15 min.) straight on Vogelsanger Straße and Carl-von-Linné-Weg (cross railway lines and motorway, pass farm on the right-hand side, cross Belvederestr.).

or

- Take city train "S12" (direction Düren/Sindorf) or "S13" (direction Horrem), get off at stop Köln Ehrenfeld (regional train station).
- Change here for bus #141 (direction Vogelsang) or bus # 143 (direction Bocklemünd). The bus stop is located next to the rear exit of the regional train station. Get off at stop Goldammerweg.
- Walk (for approx. 15 min.) straight on Vogelsanger Straße and Carl-von-Linné-Weg (cross railway lines and motorway, pass farm on the right-hand side, cross Belvederestr.).  
Fare: 2.60 Euro (button 1b)

## **Accommodation**

### Guest rooms on campus

A limited amount of guest rooms with basic comfort are available on campus. The price of a guest room is € 25 per night. For availability and reservations contact Birgit Thron.

### ***Hotels in the vicinity of the campus***

#### Dorint Hotel Köln Junkersdorf

Aachener Strasse 1059-1061; 50858 Köln (Junkersdorf)

T: +49 221 2806-1603; F: +49 221 2806-1450

[manfred.weis@dorint.com](mailto:manfred.weis@dorint.com) / [info.koeln-junkersdorf@dorint.com](mailto:info.koeln-junkersdorf@dorint.com)

[www.hotel-koeln-junkersdorf.dorint.com/de/](http://www.hotel-koeln-junkersdorf.dorint.com/de/)

Standard hotel room: € 78.00 (MPIPZ price)

Comfort hotel room: € 88.00 (MPIPZ price)

#### Hotel Brenner'scher Hof

Wilhelm-von-Capitaine-Str. 15-17; 50858 Köln

T: +49 0221-9486000 ; F: +49 0221-94860010

[hotel@brennerscher-hof.de](mailto:hotel@brennerscher-hof.de)

[www.brennerscher-hof.de](http://www.brennerscher-hof.de)

Standard hotel room: € 125.00

#### Hotel Landhaus Gut Keuchhof

Braugasse 14; 50859 Köln (Lövenich)

T: +49 (0)2234 - 94 60 00 ; F: +49 (0)2234 - 94 60 058

[rezeption@hotel-keuchhof.de](mailto:rezeption@hotel-keuchhof.de)

[www.hotel-keuchhof.de](http://www.hotel-keuchhof.de)

Standard hotel room: € 74.00 (MPIPZ price)

#### Garten Hotel Ponick

Königsberger Straße 5–9; 50858 Köln

Booking via HRS (standard hotel room: € 84.50) or other hotel booking system

[www.hrs.de/hotels/de/deutschland/koeln-nordrhein-westfalen/garten-hotel-ponick-5069.html](http://www.hrs.de/hotels/de/deutschland/koeln-nordrhein-westfalen/garten-hotel-ponick-5069.html)