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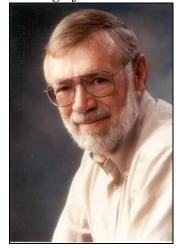
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From the Chairperson

Message from Pete Timmer, Chairperson



We hope to see all of you in South Africa, this coming July-August, at the occasion of the 19th IOCV meetings.

I am looking forward to it very much and, until then, I wish you a pleasant summer or...winter.

This short news letter deals only with:

- (i) The 19th IOCV Conference and
- (ii) The financial support for young citrus phytopathologists to attend the 19th IOCV Conference.

I. The XIXth Conference of the IOCV, 2013

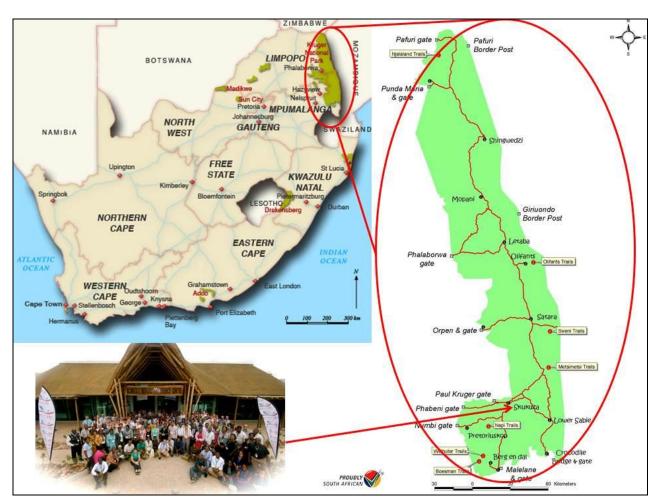
The Nineteenth Conference of the IOCV (International Organization of Citrus Virologists) is almost upon us. **It will be held**

from Sunday 28th July to Friday 2nd August 2013 in the Kruger National Park, Mpumalanga, South Africa.

The national organizing committee has members from the Agricultural Research Council, Citrus Research International and the University of Pretoria, South Africa organizing this event.



The conference will be held at the new Skukuza Camp conference facility in the heart of the Kruger National Park. We believe that the conference will be a platform for discussions of mutual interest, allowing for the opportunity to share ideas and forge collaborations between researchers in a truly unique setting.



The Kruger National Park is one of the great wilderness areas in Southern Africa and protects roughly 3 million hectares (an area larger than Belgium). The extraordinary diversity of life here includes the Big Five (Elephant, Rhino, Buffalo, Lion, and Leopard) and many smaller mammal and bird species. During your stay you will be given the opportunity to head out and explore this unique environment.



The scientific programme will include the latest research on citrus graft-transmissible diseases. The programme will be arranged to include a 30min introductory presentation by invited speakers for each topic. General oral presentations will be 15 minutes and poster sessions will be scheduled daily.

A mid conference field tour is planned which will cover orchards in the Nelspruit area where Greening associated with: "Candidatus" Liberibacter africanus and vectored by Trioza erytreae is endemic and where various levels of control is experienced. A tour to a local pack house is all in the day's trip.



The post conference tour will include driving through Swaziland to visit grapefruit and valencia orchards at Big Bend, flying from King Chaka airport (Durban), to the Western Cape (Cape Town) where places such as Cape Point, Table mountain and the navel and soft citrus orchards in Citrusdal will be part of the five day tour.

II. FINANCIAL SUPPORT for young citrus phytopathologists wishing to attend the 19th IOCV Conference.

Support for a limited number of **young scientists** is available from the IOCV. This is primarily intended for young scientist who received the degree recently **and will cover**:

- 1 Airfare
- 2. Accommodation and
- 3. Registration of IOCV2013.

The support will not include a daily allowance.

To apply for this support please submit a one or two page proposal describing the research to be presented and other ways the applicant would benefit from attending or contributing to the conference, along with a CV to gerhard.pietersen@up.ac.za before the 15th May, 2013.

An IOCV appointed committee will evaluate applications and inform successful applicants of the outcome. IOCV members are encouraged to identify young, talented, motivated scientists for participation.

Should you have enquiries regarding registration, the venue or accommodation please direct them at:

Susie Prangley <u>Susie@goingafricaconferencing.com</u> or Ethne Cameron <u>Ethne@goingafricaconferencing.com</u> at

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or at the website of the 19th IOCV conference website: www.iocv2013.com.

For technical, scientific enquires contact Gerhard Pietersen at gerhard.pietersen@up.ac.za.