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CATANIA

November 11-12, 2010

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Dipartimento di Scienze Agronomiche, Agrochimiche e delle Produzioni Animali
SEZIONE DI SCIENZE AGROCHIMICHE

Objectives

The aim of the workshop is to publicize the research activities carried out by the GRIFA and MGPR. These two associations bring together researchers from Italy and the whole of the Mediterranean basin who are studying xenobiotics, in particular pesticides, with regard to their environmental and residual impact and risk evaluation. The GRIFA and MGPR members represent teams that have co-ordinated their interdisciplinary work for a number of years.

The workshop, besides offering the chance to inform the scientific world as regards the results obtained, aims at stimulating a profitable comparison of experiences to which anyone wishing to take part can contribute.

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Main Topics

The following research areas will be covered during the workshop as oral or poster presentations:

- fate of pesticides in the environment;
- pesticides in food;
- pesticide risk assessment.

Language

English will be the official language of the workshop

About Catania

Catania is dramatically situated between the Ionian Sea and Mount Etna, Europe's highest active volcano. As well as ruins from the ancient city, the town boasts a wealth of fine Baroque architecture.

Catania is a city with a strong personality, dominated by the looming bulk of Etna, which every so often rains ash down onto the streets. The city has a lot to offer tourists, though, and has recently been making an increased effort to promote itself as a tourist destination, and not just a base from which to visit the legendary volcano. Founded by Greek colonists, Catania was subsequently conquered by Syracuse and then, during the Punic Wars, by the Romans. One of the most significant events which shaped Catania was the earthquake of 1693, which devastated most of south-eastern Sicily. The town was re-built in Baroque style, and it was during this era that many of the town's finest buildings came into being.

Etna is the highest European volcano, its vast bulk bolstered by millennia of eruptions. Catania makes a good starting-point for volcanic excursions. The small towns around the National Park are interesting and worth touring if you're spending some time in the area.

How to reach Catania

Catania has an airport linked on a daily basis to the most important Italian and International airports.

The international "Fontanarossa" airport is only 5 km away from the city centre, the conference centre and the hotels.

A bus service is available from the airport to the city centre; terminating at Catania railway station. The trip lasts about 15 minutes. Taxis are also available from the airport to the city centre.

Programme

November 11, 2010

8.00 Registration – Poster placement

9.00 Official opening ceremony

FIRST SESSION

"Fate of pesticides in the environment"

Chairpersons: M. Carmen Hermosin,
Shahamat Khan.

9.15 Plenary lecture: **prof. Costantino Vischetti** (Università Politecnica delle Marche, Italy): *"Mitigation strategies to reduce environmental contamination by pesticides"*.

10.15 Oral communications

11.00 *Coffee break*

11.30 Oral communications

13.00 *Lunch break*

14.00 Poster

SECOND SESSION

"Pesticides in food"

Chairpersons: Chaido Lentza-Rizos,
Michèle Nègre.

15.00 Plenary lecture: **prof. Shahamat Khan** (George Mason University, USA): *"Bound residues and their bioavailability"*.

16.00 Oral communications

17.00 *Coffee break*

17.30 Oral communications

18.30 General Assembly of the MGPR
and the GRIFA

21.00 *Social dinner*

November 12, 2010

THIRD SESSION

"Risk assessment"

Chairpersons: Costantino Vischetti,
Laura Padovani.

9.00 Plenary lecture: **prof. M Carmen Hermosin** (CSIC, Spain): *"Clays and organo-clays as adsorbents: prevention and correction of soil and water contamination"*.

10.00 Oral communications

11.00 *Coffee break*

11.30 Oral communications

13.00 Closing ceremony

Note: the registration desk will also be open on November 10, 2010 from 17.00 h to 19.00 h.

A welcome cocktail will be offered to all the participants.

Abstract instruction

Participants who wish to present a contribution (oral or poster) are asked to submit an abstract by June 30, 2010 by e-mail (mgpr-grifa@unict.it). Authors should indicate if they would like to be selected for an oral presentation. Only one presentation per active participant will be admitted. Notification of acceptance will be e-mailed to the presenting authors by July 15, 2010.

Instructions

Page Size: 21 cm X 29,7 cm

Font: Times Roman, 12-point font

Title, author names and addresses should be centred at the top of the page, with blank lines separating the title block, the author/address block, and the rest of the text of the abstract. The title should be in boldface, lowercase letters. The name of the author(s) should be followed directly by superscripted numbers corresponding to the affiliation(s) of the author(s). These affiliations should be listed immediately following the names of the authors in the author/address block. Underline the name of the author who will present the paper. Telephone and fax numbers and email addresses may be included in the author block. The preferred file formats are rich text format (RTF).

Oral and Poster presentation

The organizers will provide an overhead projector for transparencies and a video projector for Power Point presentations.

Poster dimensions should not exceed 80 cm (width) and 100 cm (height).

Publication of the presented papers

All papers presented at the workshop will be eligible for publication, after refereeing, in the international peer-reviewed journal: JOURNAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND HEALTH, PART B. Instructions for the authors are available at www.tandf.co.uk/journals/authors/lesbauth.asp

The manuscripts should be send to mgpr-grifa@unict.it. The deadline for the submission of the papers is November 12, 2010.

Important deadlines

- May 31, 2010 PRE-REGISTRATION
- June 30, 2010 SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS
- July 15, 2010 ACCEPTANCE OF ABSTRACTS
- August 1, 2010 SECOND CIRCULAR
- August 31, 2010 EARLY REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

Registration fees

Registration before August 31, 2010	€ 190
Registration after August 31, 2010	€ 240
Student registration before August 31, 2010	€ 100
Student registration after August 31, 2010	€ 150

The cancellation policy are:

- Up to October 15, 2010 50% fee refund
- Later than October 15, 2010 No refund

For student registration a photocopy of the current student card, or other ID document demonstrating student status, is required. The student fee will not apply if none of the conditions are fulfilled satisfactorily.

The registration fee covers participation in the different sessions, book of abstracts, workshop souvenir, coffee breaks, lunch, social dinner.

Payment instructions

Payment of registration fees should be made in euros by bank transfer made payable to the order of

Name of account:	Workshop Internazionale MGPR
Name of bank:	Banca Agricola Popolare di Ragusa – Succursale di Catania
I.B.A.N.:	IT 82 M 05036 16900 CC0451294138
BIC code (Swift code):	POPRI31045

Please indicate your name and send a copy of the transaction to Cristina Abbate by Fax +390957141581, E-mail: mgpr-grifa@unict.it

Hotel accommodation

Special price accommodation is available in the following categories

Hotel*	Cat.	Web site	Singol room	Double room
B&B San Barnaba		bebsanbarnaba@interfree.it	€ 40,00	€ 60,00
Albergo Savona	★ ★ ★	info@hotelsavona.it	€ 70,00	€ 85,00
Royal Hotel*	★ ★ ★ ★	info@hotelroyalcatania.it	€ 85,00	€ 100,00
Liberty Hotel	★ ★ ★ ★	info@libertyhotel.it	€ 90,00	€ 130,00
Il Principe Hotel	★ ★ ★ ★	info@ilprincipehotel.com	€ 120,00	€ 140,00

*Breakfast included; 10 minutes on foot from the Monastero dei Benedettini.

Hotel accommodation will be limited during the workshop period, please book your room as soon as possible.



REGISTRATION FORM

Please send this form by fax (+390957141581) or by e-mail (mgpr-grifa@unict.it) before May 31, 2010

Surname: _____ Name: _____

Title:

(prof./Dr./Mr./Ms.) _____ Organization: _____

Address: _____ home office_

City: _____ State: _____ E.mail _____

Accompanying persons: _____

Date _____

Signature



Post workshop tour



Day 1 – 13/11/2010 – Etna – Taormina :

Departure from Catania, excursion to visit Mt. Etna “Europe’s highest active volcano” climb up the eastern slopes through vineyards, citrus groves, and bizarre lava landscapes until you reach the ‘rifugio Sapienza’ station at 1.900 mt. From this location you will be able to see the lava streams that destroyed the cable car and part of the bus station during the 2001 eruption. Lunch in a local restaurant. Excursion to visit Taormina called “the pearl of the Ionian Sea”, founded in 400 BC and beautifully located overlooking the sea and the peak of Mount Etna. Enjoy leisure time to shop for handmade lace, coral jewellery, ceramics, home-made sweets and preserves along “Corso Umberto” or simply walk through the tiny streets. It is also possible to visit the fascinating Roman - Greek theatre. In the evening transfer to hotel in Catania, accommodation in reserved rooms, dinner and overnight.

Day 2 – 14/11/2010 – Siracusa – Noto :

After a buffet breakfast, excursion to visit Siracusa the most beautiful Greek colony of Sicily. Visit the archaeological area including the famous Paradise quarries (Latomie), the Greek Theatre, the Roman Amphitheatre and the Ear of Dionysius. Visit the island of Ortigia, the small, old, baroque city centre of Siracusa, built by the Aragonese: here you can admire the Cathedral and the Fountain of Arethusa. Lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon, leave for Noto, one of the most beautiful cities in Sicily renowned for the harmony and unity of its Baroque style and today declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. In the evening transfer to hotel in Ragusa, accommodation in reserved rooms, dinner and overnight.

Day 3 – 15/11/2010 Ragusa Ibla – Scicli – Modica :

After a buffet breakfast, excursion to visit Ragusa, a city that is divided into two parts: the upper part built after the earthquake in 1693 and the lower part, called Ragusa Ibla, one of the most important examples of Baroque architecture, it is interesting to visit St. George’s Cathedral, considered among the 100 most beautiful churches in Italy. Leave for Scicli, where the palaces and churches in Via Mormino Penna are considered one of the best examples of Baroque in Sicily. Lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon excursion to visit Modica, masterpiece of Hyblean Baroque famous for Saint George’s church with its 250 steps, Polara Palace and Napoletano Palace. In the evening transfer to hotel in Agrigento, accommodation in reserved rooms, dinner and overnight.

Day 4 – 16/11/2010 – Agrigento – Piazza Armerina :

After a buffet breakfast, excursion to visit the Valley of the Temples including the Temples of Juno, Concord, Heracles, Zeus and Castor & Pollux which are the most beautiful example of the Greek civilization in Sicily. Lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon leave for Piazza Armerina and visit the world-famous Villa Romana del Casale: this is the richest, largest and most complex collection of late Roman mosaics in the world. In the evening transfer to Catania.



Price per person:

	In double room	In single room
Minimum 15 people	€ 441,00	€ 511,00
From 16 to 30 people	€ 366,00	€ 436,00
From 31 to 45 people	€ 321,00	€ 391,00

The cost includes:

- Coach transport for the whole tour.
- 3 star accommodation in rooms with private bath.
- Full board from dinner on the 1st day to lunch on the 4th day with meals taken in the hotel or a restaurant.
- Drinks during meals: 1/2 litre of local wine and 1/2 litre of mineral water per person.
- Local tour guides.
- VAT and local taxes.
- The assistance of an escort for the entire tour.

The cost does not include:

- Entry fees where necessary and any other costs that have not been specified above.

Please address your booking request to the following address info@laterra.it or send it by Fax.: +390932682673

Individual Post workshop tour booking form

Surname: _____ Name: _____

Title:

(prof./Dr./Mr./Ms.) _____ Organization: _____

Address: _____ home office_

City: _____ State: _____ E.mail _____

Accompanying persons: _____

Guest Name

Accommodation details*

Date of departure e flight
details

Guest Name	Accommodation details*	Date of departure e flight details
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*Accompanying persons (for children: identity date of birth is required)

Date _____

Signature

For further details or information please contact:

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In order to confirm your booking:

Payment:

- All payments should be made in EURO.
- The final amount charged may be subject to variation due to different exchange rates between banks.
- A confirmation letter will be mailed within one week of receipt of the total registration fee.
- Please make your wire transfer for your registration fee excluding the bank transfer charges.

Reservations should reach VIAGGI NAIF no later than 30/09/10 and full payment is required at that time. No place on the tour will be reserved without payment.

Bank Transfer

Account name: **VACANZE NAIF**

Bank Name: **Banca Agricola Popolare di Ragusa – viale Europa ag. 2 Ragusa**

BIC code (Swift code): **POPRI31002**

IBAN: **IT32Q0503617002CC0021040012**

The tour is based on a minimum number of participants. If minimum numbers are not reached a complete refund will be made.

Cancellation fees:

Cancellation Notice Received	Refund rate
15 days before the tour starts	75 %
8 days before the tour starts	50 %
3 days before the tour starts	25 %
Less than 1 day before the tour starts	No refund

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