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Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the **XI<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Grapevine Physiology and Biotechnology**, which will be held in **Stellenbosch, South Africa**, from **11 to 15 October 2020**.

The meeting, organised under the auspices of the International Society of Horticultural Science (ISHS), will be hosted on the African continent for the first time. During the sessions and keynote lectures, we will discuss the latest trends in grapevine physiology and biotechnology research with a focus on the chosen theme of “Grapevine Interactions”.

**Major topics include:**

1. Environmental interactions
2. Plant Development
3. Fruit composition and quality
4. Technological advances
5. Computational resources and data integration

For further details on the scientific topics, the programme and important dates please refer to the [conference website](#).

The symposium is also an opportunity to discover the rich history and culture

of Stellenbosch and Cape Town and the region of the Cape Winelands. The majority of the conference will be hosted in Stellenbosch, and we have scheduled a number of guided tours for the region, while a technical and cultural tour of Cape Town has also been arranged. You can find out more about the region [here](#).

**Important dates:**

Online registration opens: **15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019**

Abstract submission opens: **8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019**

Early Bird Registration Closes: **15<sup>th</sup> Apr 2020**

Abstract Submission Deadline: **15<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

Oral/Poster Presenters confirmed: **15<sup>th</sup> Jul 2020**

Full Registration Closes: **15<sup>th</sup> Sep 2020**

Make sure not to miss our recommendations for [accommodation](#).

Please do not hesitate to pass on this message to students and colleagues potentially interested in joining **XI<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Grapevine Physiology and Biotechnology** and in submitting an abstract.

Should you wish to receive symposium updates please make sure to visit our [home page](#) and register your email address

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the meeting.

Warm regards,

On behalf of the Local Organising Committee

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