

## PESTS AND DISEASES 2000

### Introduction

This year's BCPC conference will be held at the Hilton Brighton Metropole from 14-16 November 2000.

As always this Conference features the presentation of new compounds and strategies for pest and disease management in temperate and tropical crops. Specialist sessions will examine key strategic topics that will influence the management of pests and diseases in the future with an emphasis on meeting expected challenges, including those faced in Integrated Crop Management, organic farming and by use of biological control agents. Concern for the user, consumer and the environment features strongly. Risk-benefit analyses for new and old products, new regulatory issues, resistance management and the use of transgenics for pest and disease management will be included.

Sociological concerns will receive special attention. Consumers and retailers can now influence agricultural practice. But who actually controls and decides upon crop protection programmes?

### Bawden Lecture

Each year, the Conference commences with a keynote address presented by a leading worldwide authority in their subject. At the start of the new millennium this year's 27th Bawden Lecture is entitled **New Era, New Challenges, New Solutions** will be presented Dr David Evans, R&D Director, Zeneca Agrochemicals, Fernhurst, Haslemere, UK.

### Platform sessions

- New compounds, formulations and uses for pest management
- New compounds, formulations and uses for disease management
- Pesticides in the environment: progress towards predicting their fate
- Registration and support for minor and emergency uses for pesticides
- ICM in cotton: a success story?
- Resistance risk assessment and its impact on EU product registration
- Who controls crop protection programmes?
- Communication and technology transfer in crop protection
- Advances in formulation and application technology
- International plant health and quarantine for the new millennium

- Mycotoxins: control and food safety
- Economics of pest and disease management in cereals
- Transgenics: the solution for pest and disease management?
- Pest and disease management in organic production systems
- Forecasting and modelling as part of decision making processes
- Advances in aphid management
- Cereal stem base disease: economic threat or academic challenge?
- Strobilurins and relatives: a critical appraisal
- The risks, benefits and alternatives to OPs in crop protection
- Advances in remote sensing

### Poster Sessions

- Sustainable pest and disease management in tropical & sub-tropical crops
- Pest and disease management in arable crops
- Pest and disease management in horticultural crops
- Pesticides in the environment: measuring their fate and effects
- Resistance of pests and pathogens to pesticides
- Advances in formulation and application technology
- Pest and disease management in organic production systems
- Advances in biological control
- Postgraduate student research

As with last year's weeds conference everything will be under one roof at the Hilton Brighton Metropole, including the Trade Services and Scientific and Educational Exhibitions. Also, following last year's successful introduction, there will be another cybercafe for the use of all visitors.

New for this year's conference there will be two sessions dedicated to poster presentations only, an extension of opening hours of the exhibitions, and a special Trade Services Seminar addressing labelling and its role in information transfer.

*The Provisional Programme and registration form are on the BCPC web site (<http://www.bcpc.org>) or available from The Conference Secretariat, 5 Maidstone Buildings Mews, Bankside, London SE1 1G (Tel :44 (0)20 7940 5555; Fax: +44 (0)20 7940 5577; email: [conference@bcpc.org](mailto:conference@bcpc.org)).*