

Second All-Russian Scientific Conference with International Participation

WEEDY PLANTS IN THE CHANGING WORLD: PRESSING CONCERNS IN STUDYING THEIR DIVERSITY, ORIGIN AND EVOLUTION

St Petersburg, 27–28 November 2017

FIRST INFORMATION LETTER

Dear Colleagues:

We happy to invite you to attend the Second All-Russian Scientific Conference with International Participation *Weedy Plants in the Changing World: Pressing Concerns in Studying Their Diversity, Origin and Evolution* dedicated to our national traditions of weed research and commemorating the 130th birthday of N. I. Vavilov. This event is scheduled to be held on 27–28 November 2017 in St Petersburg by the N. I. Vavilov All-Russian Institute of Plant Genetic Resources (VIR). The aim of the Conference is to encourage the involvement of the scientific botanical community in discussing a broad spectrum of both theoretical and practical problems related to weedy plants in the vegetation of Russia and adjacent countries

MAJOR SCIENTIFIC TOPICS TO BE COVERED BY THE CONFERENCE

1. Development of N. I. Vavilov's theory of weedy plants as ancestors of cultivated crops.
2. Composition of weedy vegetation and systematics of individual taxa.
3. Eco-coenotic and geographic features of weedy plants.
4. Methods of studying the diversity of weedy plants.
5. Monitoring of weedy plants and problems of quarantine organisms.
6. Alien species as a source of weedy plants.
7. Data bases as a tool to analyze weedy plants.

Within the Conference's framework plenary, sectional and poster presentations are envisaged.

The Organizing Committee plans to publish the abstracts of the presentations by the time the Conference starts its work.

ABSTRACT FORMATTING AND STYLE GUIDE

- 1) The general volume of an abstract including the title, the family name(s) and initials of the author(s) in Russian (or English), etc. should not exceed 3,600 characters with spaces. An abstract must not contain any tables, images or references.
- 2) The word processor to be used is *Microsoft Word for Windows*.
- 3) Requirements for the text of an abstract:
 - font: *Times New Roman*, 12 pt;
 - interline spacing: single;
 - margins: 2 cm each;
 - text: unformatted, without indentions and without hyphenation;
 - paragraphs: divided by a blank line.
- 4) Structure of an abstract:
 - For the title uppercase characters are used (font: boldface; alignment: centered).
 - The initials and family name of the author(s) are typed in lowercase characters (font: boldface; alignment: centered).
 - The initials and family name of the author(s), and the title of the publication in the English language are typed in uppercase characters (alignment: centered).

- For the name of the scientific institution (full name, with the city/town, country, and e-mail address) lowercase characters are used (alignment centered).

- The text proper of the abstract follows.

5) Latin plant names must conform to the latest reference sources (it does not apply to the understanding of the taxa's boundaries) and be typed in italics.

6) The abstracts will be published in the author's version. The Organizing Committee reserved the right to decline the materials not in line with the Conference's topics or not formatted according to the present rules.

7) The file with the abstract in the .rtf format (its name in Latin characters must contain the first author's family name) should be forwarded to herbwir@gmail.com **no later than 26 May 2017**.

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The reports (oral and poster presentations) which received positive scientific reviews will be published after the end of the Conference in *Proceedings on Applied Botany, Genetics and Breeding* (Higher Attestation Commission, Russian Science Citation Index). The rules for the authors may be found on VIR's website, and will be distributed with the Second Information Letter.

Those who intend to take part in the Conference's work should forward the completed registration form to the Organizing Committee **no later than on 31 March 2017**. All co-authors are requested to complete their registration forms. The text on the abstract and a copy of the receipt confirming organizational fee payment need to be sent **no later than on 26 May 2017**. All materials should be forwarded in electronic format to: herbwir@gmail.com

REGISTRATION FORM

of the Conference's participant

“WEEDY PLANTS IN THE CHANGING WORLD: PRESSING CONCERNS IN STUDYING THEIR
DIVERSITY, ORIGIN AND EVOLUTION”

- 1) Full name
- 2) Scientific degree, academic title, position
- 3) Scientific institution, mailing address, zip code
- 4) Telephone and fax with the area code
- 5) E-mail address
- 6) Home address, telephone with the area code
- 7) Draft title of the presentation
- 8) Co-authors
- 9) Subject (scientific topic)
- 10) The form of presentation: oral poster
- 11) Are there plans to come to the Conference?
- 12) Is any assistance required in reserving hotel accommodation?

Please send the organizational fee **1 000 Rub.** to **Galina Vladimirovna TALOVINA**,
Agrobotany Department, VIR, 42–44 Bolshaya Morskaya Street, St Petersburg, 190000, Russia,
or to VIR, POSTE RESTANTE, Central Post Office, 9 Pochtamtorskaya Street, St Petersburg
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It is necessary to indicate as the purpose of payment: **Organizational fee for the Conference “Weedy Plants in the Changing World”**,

Organizational fee can be paid in time of registration at VIR.

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