

MONDAY 12.11

17:00 - 17:30 Participants registration  
17:30 - 19:00 Welcome drink

TUESDAY 13.11 "SCIENTIFIC DAY"

08.00 - 09.00 Participants registration

09.00 - 09.30 **Opening of the Conference**

**Breeding and horticulture**

**FIRST SESSION**

**chairperson: Chad Finn**

09.30 - 10.00 **Chad Finn (USDA ARS, Usa)**  
Breeding of northern and southern highbush blueberry

10.00 - 10.20 **Rolf Nestby (NIBIO, Norway)**  
The possibility of better exploiting the wild European blueberry (*Vaccinium myrtillus* L.)

10.20 - 10.40 **David Charles Percival (DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY, Canada)**  
Unmanned Aerial Vehicle use for Phenotype and plant growth and development assessment in wild blueberry production

10.40 - 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 - 11.20 **Pedro Bràs de Oliveira (INIAV, Portugal)**  
Early and late highbush blueberry production in substrate

11.20 - 11.40 **Felix Koschnick (NIEDERSACHEN, Germany)**  
Blueberry growing in Europe, remarks on the northern season 2018, what will happen in the future, where are the opportunities

11.40 - 12.00 **Angela Koort (ESTONIAN UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES, Estonia)**  
Comparison of bioactive compound content of new half-highbush blueberry cultivar 'Are' with selected blueberry clones

**Genetics & genomics**

**SECOND SESSION**

**chairperson: Massimo Iorizzo**

12.00 - 12.30 **Massimo Iorizzo (NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, Usa)**  
Genome and genomic tools in northern and southern blueberry

12.30 - 12.50 **Francesco Emanuelli (FEM, Italy)**  
Blueberry genetics: germplasm evaluation and QTL mapping

12.50 - 13.10 **Luca Bianco (FEM, Italy)**  
From genomes to genomic tools: bioinformatics at FEM

question time

13.20 - 14.00 *Lunch*

## **Blueberry fruit quality and postharvest**

### **THIRD SESSION**

**chairperson: Lara Giongo**

- 14.00 - 14.30 **Lara Giongo (FEM, Italy)**  
A glance on blueberry fruit quality
- 14.30 - 14.50 **Nenad Magazin (UNIVERSITY OF NOVI SAD, Serbia)**  
6-benzyladenine affects chemical composition of northern highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum* L.) fruits
- 14.50 - 15.10 **Cinzia Mannozi (UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA, Italy)**  
Effects of different polysaccharides-based coatings on quality of fresh Blueberries during storage
- 15.10 - 15.30 **Rosalba Lanciotti (UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA, Italy)**  
Innovative strategies to increase safety, quality and sustainabilities of Berry productions
- 15.30 - 15.50 **Brian Farneti (FEM, Italy)**  
Tailored storage management can positively affect blueberry fruit quality
- 16.10 - 16.45 Posters short presentation (five minutes talk)

## **Pests and diseases of blueberry**

### **FOURTH SESSION**

**chairperson: Gianfranco Anfora**

- 16.45 - 17.15 **Gianfranco Anfora (FEM, Italy)**  
Current status of *Drosophila suzukii* management in Trentino, research achievements and perspectives for sustainable control
- 17.15 - 17.35 **Dalphy Hartevelde (WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY AND RESEARCH, The Netherlands)**  
Diseases of blueberry in the Netherlands
- 17.35 - 17.55 **Alberto Grassi (FEM, Italy)**  
The experience of Spotted Wing *Drosophila* management in Trentino on berry fruits
- 17.55 - 18.15 **Daniele Prodorutti (FEM, Italy)**  
Overview of blueberry diseases in Trentino
- 18.15 - 18.20 Day closures
- 20.00 Social Dinner at Muse

## WEDNESDAY 14.11 "TECHNICAL COMMERCIAL DAY"

- 08.00 - 09.00 Registration
- 09.00 - 09.30 **Authorities' opening**  
**Luca Lovatti** (CIF, Italy)
- 09.30 - 09.45 **Global overview and market summary of blueberry**  
**chairperson: Mike Knowles** (FRUITNET, United Kingdom)
- 09.45 - 10.00 **Blueberry business development**  
**Adrian Wallbridge** (FALL CREEK FARM AND NURSERY, Spain)  
European overview of the blueberry business, consumption and main differences among main areas
- 10.00 - 10.15 **Nursery and Certification**  
**Frans Claassen** (NAKTUINBOUW, The Netherlands)  
Blueberry nursery pipeline and plant quality
- 10.15 - 10.30 **Pierluigi Lucchi, Marco Cardoni, Luigi Catalano** (CIVI, Italy)  
CIVI Italia role within plant propagation material certification scheme: proposal for soft fruits
- 10.30 - 10.45 **Substrates**  
**Joris Böinck** (LEGRO, The Netherlands)  
Soil to substrate
- 10.45 - 11.15 *Coffee Break*
- 11.15 - 11.30 **Production**  
**Gianluca Savini** (SANT'ORSOLA, Italy)  
Italian blueberry production and market
- 11.30 - 11.45 **Post-harvest**  
**Luca Montanari** (UNITEC, Italy)  
Sorting and optical selection
- 11.45 - 12.00 **Supermarkets**  
**Sabina Wyant** (TESCO, United Kingdom)  
The status quo and what the future holds
- 12.00 - 12.30 **Resume of the 13th scientific session**  
**Lara Giongo** (FEM, Italy), **Chad Finn** (USDA ARS, Usa)
- 12.30 - 13.00 **Discussion**  
**moderated by Mike Knowles**
- 13.00 - 13.15 **Authorities' closing**  
**Sergio Menapace** (FEM, Italy)
- 13.15 - 15.00 *Lunch and Networking*
- 15.00 - 18.00 Tour to Sant'Orsola and Fondazione Edmund Mach