

## **IUFRO Work Group 7.03.13**

## **Biological Control of Forest Insect Pests and Pathogens**

(all activities at Future Africa, unless indicated otherwise)

5 November		
17:00 - 18:00	Registration	
18:00 - 21:00	Welcome Reception	
6 November		
	Breakfast served from 07:00	
08:00 - 08:30	Registration and tea/coffee	
08:30 - 08:45	Welcome and arrangements Brett Hurley, Organizer	
08:45 - 09:00	Introduction to IUFRO Marc Kenis, Organizer	
09:00 - 09h25	Introduction to your hosts: FABI and Future Africa Bernard Slippers, Director: FABI & Founding Director: Future Africa	
09h25 - 09h50	Forestry and forest research in South Africa  Michael Peter, Forestry South Africa	
09h50 - 10h30	Keynote address <u>Tim Paine</u> , University of California-Riverside: Successes, failures, and economics of biological control of invasive insects in California urban forests	
10:30 - 11h00	Tea/coffee	

	Technical session – Classical biological control
	Juan Corley: Forest insect population ecology and classical biological control
	<u>Lukas Seehausen</u> : Factors affecting the success of biological control
	introductions in Europe
	Peter Kiwuso: Biological control of key insect pests of forestry importance in
11:00 -	Uganda
13:00	Gonzalo Martinez: The long way of biological control of forestry insect pests in
	Uruguay
	<u>Carlos Wilcken</u> : Leptocybe invasa biological control program in Brazil: An
	update
	<u>Caitlin Gevers</u> : Understanding the parasitoid community of the gall wasp
	Leptocybe invasa (Hymenoptera: Eulophidae) in South Africa
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
	Technical session – Classical biological control (foll.)
	Leonardo Barbosa: Thaumastocoris peregrinus biocontrol in Brazil:
	Achievements and new challenges
	<u>Ngoc Hoan</u> : An under-recognised achievement of Australian parasitoids: New
	data confirms occurrence of Megastigmus zvimendeli in China, India, Israel
14-00	and Kenya
14:00 - 15:40	<u>Catarina Afonso</u> : Enhancing control of Gonipterus platensis in Portugal: first
	steps towards a classical biological control program with a larval parasitoid
	<u>Dimitrios Avtzis</u> : Invasion of the Giant pine scale in Australia – how far away is
	the answer to this problem?
	Mathias Justesen: Biological control of the Christmas tree adelgid Dreyfusia
	nordmannianae in Denmark
15:40 - 16:00	Tea/coffee
16:00 - 18:00	Tour of FABI
18:00 - late	Dinner @ FABI
	7 November
	Breakfast served from 07:00
08:30 - 09:10	Keynote address Maartje Klapwijk, SLU: On the interplay between direct interactions and associational effects; Embedding ecology in forest management

09:10 - 10:30	<ul> <li>Technical session - Forest and tree pests in Africa</li> <li>Ignazio Graziosi: Pests and diseases of trees in Africa: A review of a growing emergency</li> <li>Paul Bosu: Status, trends and impacts of forest and tree pests in West and Central Africa</li> <li>Eston Mutitu: Seasonal variation and population dynamics of the winter bronze bug in Kenya's Eucalyptus planted forests</li> <li>Privilege Makunde: A review on the threat of lerp psyllids to eucalypt plantations in South Africa</li> </ul>
10:30 - 11:00	Tea/coffee
11:00 - 13:00	<ul> <li>Technical session – Entomopathogens, nematodes and insects as augmentative biological control</li> <li>Agil Katumanyane: Entomopathogenic nematodes for the biocontrol of white grubs in forestry and sugarcane plantations</li> <li>Katrin Fitza: From exploring to utilizing the global genetic diversity of the biological control agent Deladenus siricidicola</li> <li>Firehiwot Eshetu: Unravelling the population genetic diversity, structure and introduction history of the biocontrol nematode Deladenus siricidicola in Australia and New Zealand</li> <li>Brett Hurley: Long-term dissections reveal drivers of biocontrol nematode parasitism in the European woodwasp, Sirex noctilio</li> <li>Michelle Schröder: Development of release methods for augmentative biological control of Anaphes nitens</li> <li>Wondafrash Mesfin: Parasitoid assemblage associated with a North American pine weevil in South Africa</li> </ul>
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	Tour of FABI Biocontrol Centre
15:30 - 16:00	Tea/coffee
16:00 - 17:00	<ul> <li>Technical session – Biological control of pathogens and nematodes</li> <li>Alberto Santini: Is it possible to control Dutch elm disease?</li> <li>Simone Prospero: Artificial biological control of Chestnut blight – Experiences from Switzerland</li> <li>Yong-Xia Li: Pine wilt disease in China</li> </ul>
18:00 -	

8 November				
	Breakfast served from 07:00			
08:30 - 10:10	<ul> <li>Technical session – Future of biological control</li> <li>Bernard Slippers: The influence of genetic diversity on biological control</li> <li>Joséphine Queffelec: The bacterial symbiont, Wolbachia, and its potential as biocontrol agent against the invasive wasp, Sirex noctilio</li> <li>Nicholas Kagimu: The potential of using metabolites of entomopathogenic nematode associated bacteria Xenorhabdus and Photorhabdus for the control of forest insect pests</li> <li>Jeremy Allison: Considerations of the interface of chemical ecology and biological control</li> <li>Marc Kenis: Not a single talk on conservation biological control. What have we missed?</li> </ul>			
10:10 - 10:30	Closing of meeting Brett Hurley			
10:30 - 11:00	Tea/coffee			
11:00	Post-meeting field trip departs (optional)			











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