



The 1st International Symposium on Medicinal Plants, Their Cultivation and Aspects of Uses Ash-Shoubak University College, Al-Balqa' Applied University, Ashoubak, Jordan

15 - 16 October 2008

Invitation

We extend a warm invitation to you to participate in the 1st International Symposium on Medicinal Plants, Their Cultivation and Aspects of Uses, being held at the Petra Marriott Hotel in Petra, Jordan, 15 – 16 October 2008.

General Program

The Symposium will focus on new developments in all aspects related to medicinal plants. The program will include a Plenary Session with invited papers and Sessions with submitted papers related to the following subjects:

1. Cultivation of medicinal plants
2. Control of pests (insects, weeds, diseases) that attack medicinal plants
3. Therapeutic actions of medicinal plants and their extracts
4. Using extracts of medicinal plants as part of Integrated Pest Management Programs,
5. Uses of medicinal plants as food additives
6. Impact of medicinal plants on poultry and livestock's

The full program will be available in **July 2008**

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Tourist information

The symposium will take place at the Petra Marriott Hotel in Petra. Petra is the 2nd of the seven world wonders. The giant red mountains and vast mausoleums of a departed race have nothing in common with modern civilization, and ask nothing of it except to be appreciated at their true value - as one of the greatest wonders ever wrought by Nature and Man. A lot of visitors and tourists come to visit Petra every year. Would you like to be one of them??

More information about Petra and other touristic places of Jordan may be obtained from INTERNET

Website: <http://www.visitjordan.com>

Language

The official languages of the symposium are Arabic and English.

Call for papers

The Call for Abstracts is now available. So, you are invited to submit an abstract, before **May 30, 2008**, indicating the **way** in which you would like **to present** the paper: oral presentation or poster presentation. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to accept any paper in the form of a poster only. Electronic submission of abstracts (preferably by e-mail) is encouraged.

By June, 2008, the presenting author will be notified whether the abstract has been accepted, and if so, of the proposed type of presentation (oral or poster).

Instructions for abstracts

The Proceedings book will be handed over to the participants on the day of the Symposium. Abstracts must be in both Arabic and English except that for non-Arab participants . The extended abstract should be about 400 words and should consist of:

- the title of the paper, not exceeding 75 characters
- the name and address of the authors, the name of the person presenting the paper should be underlined
- an overview of the objectives, methods used, results and conclusions

Instructions for oral presentation

Each oral presentation is strictly limited to 10 minutes, followed by 5 minutes of discussion. Oral presentations are preferred in English. Those who would like to do presentation in Arabic are encouraged to write the presentation or at least to use scientific terms in English. Hand over your saved information (CD or Flash memory) to the organizers at the start of the session. Data Show will be available.

Instructions for poster presentation

Poster presentations should be in English. The maximum poster size is 80 cm wide and 150 cm high, and are preferably in A0 format. Title, authors' names and affiliation should be included at the top of the poster. The poster should consist of objectives, methods, results and discussion. It should be clear, simple and self explanatory: although time will be reserved for poster viewing and discussion, posters must be understandable in the absence of the author. All figures and tables must have headings, labeled axes and legends. Lettering should be legible from a distance of 1 m. Exhibitors are responsible for mounting posters and removing them at the end of the symposium. Materials for poster mounting will be provided by the poster secretary.

Proceedings

Full papers or extended abstracts of both oral and poster presentations will be published in a special issue of the Journal "American-Eurasian Journal of Sustainable Agriculture". Manuscripts must be submitted before **August 30, 2008**.

Authors who prefer not to submit a full paper are requested to submit an extended abstract of their presentation for inclusion in the Proceedings. Extended abstracts should be 3-4 pages and should summarize the objectives, the methods used, the results obtained and the main conclusions of the research.

Registration

All participants, including those who wish to present a paper, should complete the enclosed Registration Form and return it to the Symposium organizing committee.

The registration fee covers participation in all sessions, conference materials including the abstract book and list of participants, morning and afternoon coffee and the closing reception. Registration fees include lunches.

Click to download the [abstract and registration forms.doc](#)

For detailed information, download the [3rd announcement](#)

Visa requirements

International participants are advised to get a visa from the nearest Jordanian embassy or consulate to avoid delay at the airport.

Citizens of most countries require a visa to enter Jordan. Should you encounter any problems at the airport there will be a security officer to help you. Citizens of few countries are required to apply earlier than others and doing so as early as possible is advisable.

Information on Visa requirement as well as on Jordanian embassies and consulates may be obtained from INTERNET web site: <http://mfa.gov.jo>

Accommodation

Participants can book for accommodations in the hotels found in Wadi Musa, the place that incubates Petra. The following hotels offer special rates for participants in the conference.

Hotel	Location	Single Room Rate/ Day (JoD)	*Double Room Rate/ Day (JoD)	Website
PETRA INN***	Wadi-Musa	20	14	www.petrainn.com
CANDLES***	Wadi-Musa	20	15	www.petracandles.com
EDOM***	Wadi-Musa	30	25	www.edomhotel.com

JD 1.00 = \$1.41 (Approx.)

*Rate per person

It is always advisable to pre-book accommodation as early as possible.

More information about accommodation may be obtained from INTERNET

Website: http://www.visitjordan.com/visitjordan_cms/Default.aspx?tabid=81

Payment

All payments should be made via bank transfer to the following account numbers. Any bank charges must be included in your payment.

- For Jordanians (account in JoD currency)
Bank name: The Housing Bank For trade & finance/ Ash-Shoubak branch
Account number: 087 074311 01 01
Account name: جامعة البلقاء التطبيقية النباتات العلاجية
- Others (account in USA \$ currency)
Bank name: The Housing Bank For trade & finance/ Ash-Shoubak branch
Account number: 001 681488 02 01
Account name: ALBALQAA UNIVERSITY MEDICINAL PLANT

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