# Announcement

**MSPPC 2016** 

26<sup>th</sup> Malaysian Society of Plant Physiology Conference

"Advances in Plant Science and Technology"

## 9–11 August 2016 The Waterfront Hotel Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia



## SCOPE

Recently, there is an unprecedented development in all fields of plant science due to the rapid progress made in the areas of molecular biology, plant genomics and proteomics. The skills and knowledge from botanists and scientists acquired are useful in helping planters to produce viable economic crops and conserve natural flora. Indeed there is a contingent need to understand the life cycle of several endangered plant and animal species so as to frame suitable strategies to save them before extinction. The green plants are important as they provide food, shelter, medicine, oxygen for life, cleaner environment and to overcome climate change in this ever changing environment needed for human survival.

This scheduled conference will provide a scientific platform to exchange the information on the recent advances in research and to bring together both local and overseas scientific communities involved in the study of plants, ecology and environment for a vigorous plant growth and productivity. It will also encompass the following areas for deliberation and will provide scope to plant biologists to share knowledge and exchange latest information in different scientific technologies encountered during the sessions.

## **OBJECTIVES**

- To disseminate and share information on the current research findings and sustainable technology in relation to plant productivity.
- To provide future direction for organized research in the field of plant physiology and promote inter-disciplinary and inter-agency networking.

## **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Keynote paper: "Advances in plant science and technology"

## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

The programme includes keynote address, plenary paper, oral and poster presentations. Various aspects of plant science will be covered during the conference:

- Plant growth and development
- Plant production
- Innovative practices
- Eco-physiology
- Stress biology
- Biotechnology
- Pest and disease management
- Seed technology and high quality planting materials
- Modeling and simulation
- Post-harvest technology and quality control
- Food safety and security

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Researchers, academicians, students, plantation and forest managers, natural resources stakeholders, extension officers, national advisory agency officers, sociologists, economists, funding agency officers, managers involved in agro-industry, environment, science and engineering sectors and policy makers.

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Papers of relevant topics within the conference theme are invited for oral/poster presentations. Authors must register and submit abstracts of soft copy by or before **15 June 2016**. Abstracts received later than that will not be accepted in the scientific program of the conference. Each abstract must not exceed 500 words. An extended abstract not exceeding six (6) pages of soft copy must be submitted to the organizing committee before **9**<sup>th</sup> **August 2016**.

The extended abstract should be organised in the following order: title, author(s), address, introduction, materials and methods, results and discussion, conclusions, acknowledgements and references. Extended abstract should be A4 sized, typed single-spacing using standard 11 points Times New Roman in Microsoft Word 2007 or latest (preferred) with 2.5 cm margin at top, bottom and both sides. The committee reserves the right to assign the paper for oral or poster presentation. Suitable extended abstracts will be invited for publication in Journal of Tropical Plant Physiology, the official journal of MSPP. The size for poster presentation is 50 cm x 80 cm, containing similar contents as oral paper, with font size of at least 28. Poster should not be laminated.

### **REGISTRATION FEES**

Before 30 June 2016:	
Member	RM 800
Non-member	RM 900
International participant	USD 400
Local student	RM 500
After 30 June 2016:	
Member	RM 900
Non-member	RM 1000
International participant	USD 450
Local student	RM 550
Exhibitor:	
Corporate Member	RM 1000
Non-corporate Member	RM 1500

### **TECHNICAL VISIT**

A full working day field excursion to the Malaysian Pepper Board/farm will be organized on 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2016. Registration is limited to 40 pax on first come first serve basis. Accompanying person will be charged RM50.00 per pax (inclusive of lunch and transportation).

### REGISTRATION

Please log on to <u>http://www.mspp.org.my</u> for registration and submission of abstract. You may contact the conference secretary for further information:

### The secretary of the 26th MSPPC:

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Phebe Ding Locked Bag No. 282, UPM Post Office, 43409 UPM, Serdang, Selangor, Malaysia. Tel: 603 - 89474829 Fax: 603 - 89408445 e-mail: *msppconference@gmail.com* 

### **ACCOMMODATION\***

At The Waterfront Hotel, Kuching. Rooms have been blocked by MSPP. Please call **6-082 227 227** for reservation. Special room rates are offered to participants at:

Deluxe Twin Single/1 King – RM207 nett/night Deluxe Twin Queen–RM234 nett/night \*All room rates are inclusive of breakfast

### Please log on to

http://www.thewaterfrontkuching.com for details.

\*Payment should be made directly to the hotel upon check in. Several choices of hotels are also found within vicinity of the venue.

### PAYMENT

Payment of registration fee should be banked in to CIMB Bank Berhad before 1 August 2016. Account No : 8002159957

### Persatuan Fisiologi Tumbuhan Malaysia (MSPP)

Please send us the advice slip of the remittance made for our reference. Cheque must be addressed to Persatuan Fisiologi Tumbuhan Malaysia and sent to Locked Bag No. 282, UPM Post Office, 43409, UPM, Serdang, Selangor.

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