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Sunday, August 11, 2024																		
Time	Hall 1	Hall 2	Hall 3	Hall 4	Hall 5	Hall 6	Medical Center/MECC	Field trip	Field trip	Field trip	Field trip							
09:00-12:00				Young IMA	IMA Council Meeting		DERMATOPHYTES	St. Pietersberg, Maastricht, NL - organized by the Dutch Mycological Society	Savelsbos, Cadier en Keer, NL - organized by the Dutch Mycological Society	Vijlenerbos, Vaals, NL - organized by the Dutch Mycological Society	Jongebos, Diepenbeek/Kortesse, BE - organized by the Flemish Mycological Society							
12:00-13:30																		
13:30-16:30																		
16:30-17:00																		
17:00 - 17:45 (45 min)	Opening Ceremony																	
17:45 - 18:45 (60 min)	Keynote Lecture (Hall 1) Thomas W. Kuyper, the Netherlands																	
18:45	WELCOME RECEPTION																	

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Monday, August 12, 2024						
Time	Hall 1	Hall 2	Hall 3	Hall 4	Hall 5	Hall 6
08:00 - 09:30 (90 min)	Workshop 1 Intellectual Property and Mycology	Workshop 2 THE WHOLE KENDRICK: A SYMPOSIUM CELEBRATING THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF W. BRYCE KENDRICK Chairs: Keith Seifert, Canada Rafael Castañeda, Cuba	Workshop 3 Colletotrichum workshop	Other	Other	Workshop 4 Fungal Genomics
09:30 - 10:30 (60 min)	Plenary Session 1: Kaustuv Sanyal, India Meritxell Riquelme, Mexico					
10:30 - 11:00 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
11:00 - 13:00 (120 min)	Symposium 1 AQUATIC FUNGI Chairs: Marlis Reich, Germany Teppo Rämä, Norway	Symposium 2 GLOBAL HEALTH CHALLENGES TO FORESTS: INTERACTIONS OF FUNGI, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND BIOLOGICAL INVASIONS Chairs: Joey Tanney, Canada Yuuri Hirooka, Japan	Symposium 3 BIOCONTROL MECHANISMS AGAINST FUNGAL PLANT PATHOGENS Chairs: Florian Freimoser, Switzerland Giuseppe Ianiri, Switzerland	Symposium 4 FUNGAL TRAITS AND BEHAVIOURS IN SOIL Chairs: Kristin Aleklett Kadish, Sweden Emilia Hannula, Netherlands	Symposium 5 TAXON NAMES AND TAXON COMMUNICATION IN EDNA ERA Chairs: Urmas Kõljalg, Estonia Julia Pawlowska, Poland	Symposium 6 NEW TAXONOMIES OF MYCOTOXIGENIC FUNGI Chairs: Robert Samson, Netherlands Cobus Visagie, South Africa
13:00 - 14:30 (90 min)	LUNCH BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING (TOPICS 1 & 2)			Industry Sponsored Session	Industry Sponsored Session	
14:30 - 15:30 (60 min)	Plenary Session 2: Håvard Kausrud, Norway Malko Kagami, Japan					
15:30 - 16:00 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
16:00 - 18:00 (120 min)	Symposium 7 EXTREMOPHILIC FUNGI IN THE ERA OF GLOBAL CHANGE Chairs: Laura Selbmann, Italy Ramon Batista, Mexico	Symposium 8 FUNGAL DISEASE OUTBREAKS Chairs: Jianping Xu, Canada Anuradha Chowdhary, Canada	Symposium 9 FUNGAL INTERACTIONS IN THE PHYLOSOPHERE: FROM MOLECULES TO COMMUNITIES Chairs: Bernard Slippers, South Africa André Fleißner, Germany	Symposium 10 POWDERY MILDEWS (ERYSPHACEAE) AND THEIR HOSTS: CO-EVOLUTION, SYSTEMATICS, AND GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY Chairs: Michael Bradshaw, USA Donald Pfister, USA	Symposium 11 DNA SEQUENCES AS TYPE EQUIVALENT - WHERE TO NEXT? Chairs: Marco Thines, Germany Robert Lücking, Germany	Symposium 12 GENOMIC GUIDED NATURAL PRODUCT DISCOVERY Chairs: Garima Singh, Italy Marnix Medema, Netherlands
18:00 - 18:10 (10min)	Short Break					
18:10 - 19:40 (90 min)	Workshop 5 MEETING ON THE COOPERATION OF MYCOLOGICAL GROUPS & SOCIETIES Chairs: Julia Pawlowska, Poland Katerina Rusevska, Macedonia Markus Künzler, Switzerland Andrin Gross, Switzerland	Workshop 6 TOWARDS A GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR FUNGAL CONSERVATION Chairs: Gregory M. Mueller, USA Cátia Canteiro, USA Giuliana Funici Susana C. Gonçalves Rachel Hoffmann Aida Vasco Rebecca Yahr	Workshop 7 GLOBAL FUNGI: A GLOBAL DATABASE OF FUNGAL OCCURRENCE FROM HIGH-THROUGHPUT SEQUENCING DATA Chairs: Petr Kohout, Czechia Petr Baldrian, Czechia	Workshop 8 STRENGTHEN THE NETWORK FOR IMPROVING THE TAXONOMY OF THE MUCOROMYCOTINA AND MORTIERELLOMYCOTINA Chairs: Grit Walther, Germany Andre Santiago, Santiago	Workshop 9 A MODERN TAXONOMY FOR THE BOLETACEAE	Workshop 10 GENOMICS OF FUNGAL SECONDARY METABOLISM: A NEED FOR COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS
20:30 - 23:00 (160 min)						BMS Reception(BMS Members only)

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Tuesday, August 13, 2024						
Time	Hall 1	Hall 2	Hall 3	Hall 4	Hall 5	Hall 6
08:00 - 09:30 (90 min)	Workshop 11 FUNGAL BIOREMEDIATION IN INDUSTRIAL AND URBAN SETTINGS: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS	Workshop 12 African Mycology WORKSHOP	Workshop 13 HOW TO DESCRIBE NEW SPECIES, FROM SAMPLING TO DATA MANAGEMENT AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN	Workshop 14 STUDIES IN HETEROBASIDIOMYCETES – IN MEMORIAM FRANZ OBERWINKLER	Other	Other
09:30 - 10:30 (60 min)	Plenary Session 3: Jolanta Maria Mladikowska, USA Toni Gabaldón, Spain					
10:30 - 11:00 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
11:00 - 13:00 (120 min)	Symposium 13 THE AMAZING WORLD OF YEASTS: THEIR EVOLUTION, BIODIVERSITY AND BIOTECHNOLOGICAL POTENTIAL Chairs: Marizeth Groenewald, Netherlands Heide-Marie Daniel, Belgium	Symposia 14 NONPATHOGENIC FUNGI ALSO INVADE: WHERE, HOW AND WHAT ARE THE IMPACTS? Chairs: Anne Pringle, USA Natalia Vargas Estupiñán, Colombia	Symposium 15 MYCOBIONICS INTERDISCIPLINARY SYMPOSIUM Chairs: Josphat Matasyoh, Kenya Yasmina Marin-Felix, Germany	Symposium 16 FUNGI IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT Chairs: Inger Skrede, Norway Birgitte Andersen, Denmark	Symposium 17 INTERFUNGAL PARASITIC RELATIONSHIPS: FROM DE BARY'S OBSERVATIONS TO FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS AND ADVANCED IMAGING Chairs: Levente Kiss, Australia Alexander Idnurm, Australia	Symposium 18 SPECIES EMERGING FROM THE DARK Chairs: Anna Rosling, Sweden Christian Wurzbacher, Germany
13:00 - 14:30 (90 min)	LUNCH BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING (TOPICS 3 & 4)			Industry Sponsored Session	Industry Sponsored Session	
14:30 - 15:30 (60 min)	Plenary Session 4: Eva Stukenbrock, Germany Judith Berman, Israel					
15:30 - 16:00 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
16:00 - 18:00 (120 min)	Symposium 19 MARINE FUNGI AND OOMYCETES - NEGLECTED PATHOGENS OF GLOBAL IMPORTANCE Chairs: Marco Thines, Germany Anthony Buaya, Germany	Symposium 20 ECOLOGY AND EVOLUTIONARY GENOMICS OF ENDEMIC FUNGAL PATHOGENS Chairs: Marcus Teixeira, Brazil Bridget Barker, USA	Symposium 21 TROPICAL LICHENS UNVEILED: EXPLORING BIODIVERSITY WONDERS Chairs: Manuela Dal Forno, USA Marcela Cáceres, Brazil	Symposium 22 USE OF FUNGI IN SUSTAINABILITY Chairs: Han Wosten, Netherlands Carsten Pohl, Germany	Symposium 23 IMPACT OF BACTERIAL-FUNGAL INTERACTIONS ON FUNGAL TRAITS Chairs: Fabio Palmieri, Switzerland Saskia Bindschedler, Switzerland	Symposium 24 MYCOLOGICAL DATA FROM GENERATION TO MEANING Chairs: Gianluigi Cardinali, Italy Vincent Robert, Belgium
18:00 - 18:10 (10min)	Short Break					
18:10-20:10 (120 min)					Workshop 15 Fusarium WORKSOP	Workshop 16 DATA IN MYCOLOGY WORKSHOP

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Wednesday, August 14, 2024						
Time	Hall 1	Hall 2	Hall 3	Hall 4	Hall 5	Hall 6
08:00 - 09:00 (60 min)				Other	Other	Other
09:00 - 10:00 (60 min)	Plenary Session 5: Hanna Johannesson, Sweden Sakkie Pretorius, Australia					
10:00 - 10:30 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
10:30 - 12:30 (120 min)	Symposium 25 POST-HARVEST FOOD SPOILAGE – PRESERVATIVE RESISTANCE, NEW PROCESSING TECHNIQUES AND HYGIENE Chairs: Jos Houbraeken, Netherlands Emilia Rico-Munoz, USA	Symposium 26 EFFECTS OF CHANGING CLIMATE ON FUNGAL DISEASES Chairs: Matteo Garbelotto, USA Vladimiro Guarnaccia, Italy	Symposium 27 MYCOCHEMISTRY: THE GOOD AND THE BAD AMONG FUNGAL METABOLITES Chairs: Geromy Moore, USA Joan Bennett, USA	Symposium 28 FUNGAL RESOURCES OF TROPICAL AFRICA: DIVERSITY, USES AND CONSERVATION Chairs: Nourou Yorou, Benin Melke Piepenbring, Germany	Symposium 29 FUNGI AND FOODS – DOMESTICATION AND APPLICATIONS Chairs: Paul Dyer, UK Jeanne Ropars, France	Symposium 30 GENOMES, EVOLUTION AND CLASSIFICATION Chairs: Mary Catherine Alme, USA Conrad Schoch, USA
12:30 - 14:00 (90 min)	LUNCH BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING (TOPICS 5 & 6)			Industry Sponsored Session	Industry Sponsored Session	
14:00 - 15:00 (60 min)	Plenary Session 6: Sarah De Saeger, Belgium Han Wösten, Netherlands					
15:00 - 15:30 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
15:30 - 17:30 (120 min)	Symposium 31 FUNGI TRANSGRESSING THEIR NICHES Chairs: Marc-André Selosse, France Christoffer Bugge Harder, Denmark	Symposium 32 FUNGAL DIVERSITY AND RELEVANCE OF CANKER AND DIEBACK PATHOGENS OF FRUIT TREES AND GRAPEVINES Chairs: Lizél Mostert, South Africa David Gramaje, Spain	Symposium 33 ECOLOGY AND EVOLUTION OF FUNGAL-PHOTOAUTOTROPH INTERACTIONS Chairs: A. Elizabeth Arnold, USA François Lutzoni, USA	Symposium 34 FUNGI IN EXTREME ENVIRONMENTS-ARCTIC-ANTARTIC-SPACE Chairs: Luciana Trilles, Brazil Silvano Onofri, Italy	Symposium 35 THE FUNGAL CELL WALL: BARRIER, SHIELD, FLAG AND TARGET Chairs: Nell Gow, UK Carol Munro, UK	Symposium 36 CULTURE COLLECTIONS HOLDINGS AS TOOLS TO FACE SOCIETAL CHALLENGES Chairs: Gerard Verkley, Netherlands Cristina Varese, Italy
19:00 - 0:00	Conference Dinner - A Night in the Museum - Bonnefanten Museum in Connection with IPANEMA on the Maas					

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Thursday, August 15, 2024						
Time	Hall 1	Hall 2	Hall 3	Hall 4	Hall 5	Hall 6
08:00 - 09:00 (60 min)				Other	Other	Other
09:00 - 10:00 (60 min)	Plenary Session 7: Catherine Aime, USA Robert Lucking, Germany					
10:00 - 10:30 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
10:30 - 12:30 (120 min)	Symposium 37 LINKING FUNGAL AND PLANT ECOLOGY TO UNDERSTAND THE BIODIVERSITY-ECOSYSTEM FUNCTIONING RELATIONSHIP Chairs: Marie Zwetsloot, Netherlands Eline Ampt, Netherlands	Symposium 38 ANAEROBIC FUNGI: GENOMICS, ECOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGICAL POTENTIAL Chairs: Gareth Griffith, UK Joan Edwards, Netherlands	Symposium 39 SPECIES CONCEPTS AND SPECIATION IN CRITICAL FUNGAL PATHOGENS Chair: John Taylor	Symposium 40 MYCOVIRUSES UNMASKED: BRIDGING EVOLUTION, INTERACTIONS, AND ECOLOGY Chairs: Caio Leal-Dutra, Denmark Asta Rødsgaard-Jørgensen, Denmark	Symposium 41 SEX AND DRUGS: THE EVOLUTIONARY THREADS THAT CONNECT NOVEL METABOLITES WITH ASEXUAL AND SEXUAL MORPHS IN ZOMBIE FUNGI Chairs: Nigel Hywel-Jones, China Jennifer Luangsa-ard, Thailand	Symposium 42 - Nomenclature A
12:30 - 14:00 (90 min)	LUNCH BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING (TOPIC 7)			Industry Sponsored Session	Industry Sponsored Session	
14:00 - 16:00 (120 min)	Symposium 43 GLOBAL CHANGE AND MYCORRHIZAL FUNGI Chairs: Tomás Allen Rush, USA Alison Bennett, USA	Symposium 44 TRENDING TOPICS IN ANIMAL FUNGAL INFECTION Chairs: Patrizia Danesi, Italy Isabella Dib Ferreira Gremião, Brazil	Symposium 45 WATER AND FUNGI Chairs: João Brandão, Portugal Monika Novak-Babic	Symposium 46 FUNGAL PARASITES: THEIR BIOLOGY, ECOLOGICAL IMPACT AND POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS Chairs: João Araújo, USA Harry Evans, UK	Symposium 47 THE SILENT MENACE: EXPLORING MYCOTOXINS AS A GLOBAL ONE HEALTH CONCERN Chairs: Neriman Yilmaz, UK Angel Medina-Vaya, UK	Symposium 48 - Nomenclature B
16:00 - 16:30 (30 min)	COFFEE BREAK, VISIT EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING					
16:30 - 18:00 (90 min)	General Assembly and Closing					

Friday, August 16, 2024	
Time	Field trip
09:00 - 19:00	Lichens Excursion

Saturday, August 17, 2024	
Field trip	
Mushroom Excursion	