

## **Nematode Division Business Meeting – SIP2018 Golden Coast (Australia)**

### **Attending:**

Patricia Stock, Ivan Hiltpold, Ann Hajek, Eustachio Tarasco, Nona Mikaia, Tshima Ramakuwela, Katrin Fitza.

**Membership:** 29 regular and 3 student members

During 2017-2018 the membership is lowering. It was proposed to produce a flyer to promote the Division at various occasions (conferences, workshops, ...). Similarly, it was proposed to use some of the funds available to professionally print them and to share the pdf version of the flyer with the Division members so they could share it on their webpages or even email signatures. Quotes should be requested to evaluate the costs of printing.

Ivan Hiltpold will share what he prepared last year to attend ESA meeting.

### **SIP 2018 Nematode Division activities**

- 1 Symposium from the Nematode Division: Use of Parasitic Nematodes to Control Pine-Killing Woodwasps. Organisers/Moderators: Ann Hajek and Helen Nahrung
- 7 (1 canceled) contributed oral presentations
- 10 poster presentations (4 students)

**Division Awards:** There were not candidate for 2018 SIP meeting

### **Division Committee Elections 2018:**

*Nominated candidates:*

Chair Elect: Patricia Stock, Ivan Hiltpold

Secretary/Treasurer: Ivan Hiltpold

Member at large: Tshima Ramkuwela

*New officers:*

Chair: Raquel Campos-Herrera (Promoted from Chair-Elected in Golden Coast, 2018)

Chair Elect: Patricia Stock (Elected in Golden Coast, 2018)

Secretary/Treasurer: Ivan Hiltpold (Elected in Golden Coast, 2018)

Member at Large: Tshima Ramkuwela (Elected in in Golden Coast, 2018)

Past Chair: Glen Stevens (2018-2020)

**SIP2019 Valencia (joint conference with IOBC, July 28th-August 1rst, 2019):**

***The program will be joint and all symposium organizers should reach out to IOBC working group offices to jointly organize the events. Our contact at IOBC is Vladimir Pùza (<https://www.iobc-wprs.org/people/index.html#puza>).***

### **Proposed symposia:**

#### **1. Nematode Division: Nematode application, what, when, and how? (Ivan Hiltpold):**

Potential speakers: Ivan Hiltpold, David Shapiro-Ilan, Ralph-Udo Ehlers, Stefan Toepfer, and an addition researcher working in greenhouse applications.

**2. Cross-divisional: Experimental design and statistics in invertebrate pathology (To be determined)**

**3. Nematode Division-IOBC join symposium: Slug and snail parasite nematodes (Jiri Nermut, convener of the Slugs and Snails study group in IOBC)**

**Proposed Workshop: Bioinformatic tools for genomic and population genetics (Katrin Fitza)**

### **Finances**

- Support from General Fund for 2019: US\$3000. IOBC matches with €600 SIP Divisions for additional student travel awards. All unused funds will return to the General Fund.

### **Other Activities**

- The question has been raised if student posters should be pitched (1min on the stage during plenary session) by the presenting authors. The division chair should express their interest to the council shortly.

**Picture: Patricia presenting the Founder Lecture**

