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**12-14 MARCH 2018**

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# WELCOME

It's with great pleasure that we announce the 10th conference of The World Mycotoxin Forum®, to be held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, on 12-14 March 2018.

The mycotoxin contamination of various crops and derived products is a global concern because it has significant implications for food and feed safety, food security, and international trade. Despite a lot of research and available interventions, mycotoxin prevention and control remain a challenge for agriculture, and for food and feed industries. Several pre- and post-harvest measures can be taken in tackling mycotoxin exposure, however, they are not fully adequate to eliminate mycotoxins from the food and feed supply chain. In addition, climate change is increasingly affecting the occurrence of mycotoxins worldwide.

Can we ever have a mycotoxin-free supply chain? The 10th conference of The World Mycotoxin Forum® aims to contribute to this ultimate goal by taking mycotoxin control to the next level. The conference will offer an excellent way to network, share ideas, and formulate recommendations and conclusions on how to close knowledge gaps.

The 10th conference of The World Mycotoxin Forum® includes:

- presentations and discussions in plenary meetings and parallel sessions
- poster sessions
- company pitches covering a wide range of topics
- workshops and demonstrations
- a concurrent instrument/manufacturers exhibition providing information on equipment, products, and services.

High-quality speakers, ample time for discussions, and every opportunity to establish rewarding contacts are conference values The World Mycotoxin Forum® wants to uphold. The General Conference Chairs – Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska and Hans van Egmond, M.Sc. – and the members of the Advisory Committee are looking forward to meeting you.

*See you in Amsterdam!*

The World Mycotoxin Forum® is the leading international meeting series on mycotoxins where food and feed industry representatives meet with people from universities and governments from around the world. The main objectives of The World Mycotoxin Forum® are:

- to provide a unique platform for the food and feed industry, regulatory authorities and science
- to exchange information and experiences on the various aspects of mycotoxins
- to review current knowledge related to mycotoxins in food and feed
- to discuss strategies for prevention and control of mycotoxin contamination ensuring the safety and security of the food and feed supply, and protecting human and animal health
- to promote solutions for the control of mycotoxin contamination along conventional and organic supply chains.





## GENERAL CONFERENCE CHAIRS

Hans P. van Egmond, M.Sc. retired from RIKILT Wageningen University & Research, the Netherlands  
Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska Department IFA-Tulln, BOKU Vienna, Austria and President of the International Society for Mycotoxicology (ISM)

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# PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

## SUNDAY 11 MARCH 2018

18:30 – 20:00	Welcome reception – sponsored by R-Biopharm
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## MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018

10:30 – 10:45	Opening of <b>WMF2018</b>	Exhibition
10:45 – 11:05	Introduction and overview of the conference	
11:05 – 12:30	Plenary meeting <i>Past, present, and future challenges</i>	
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break Poster viewing	
13:30 – 15:30	Plenary meeting (continued)	
16:00 – 17:00	Company pitches*	
17:00 – 18:00	Speed presentations**	
18:00 – 19:30	Poster viewing Wine tasting – sponsored by Biomin/Romer Labs	

\* Short presentations by sponsors to inspire the audience to visit their booths

\*\* Short presentations by selected poster presenters to provide an overview of their research

## TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

08:30 – 12:45	Session 1 <i>Occurrence, exposure and effects – what's up?</i>	Session 2 <i>Holistic analytical approaches and reduction strategies</i>	Exhibition
		Session 3 <i>Managing the impact of mycotoxins – Part 1</i>	
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch break Workshops and poster viewing		
13:45 – 15:45	Session 4 <i>Sampling and analysis – ongoing developments</i>	Session 5 <i>Managing the impact of mycotoxins – Part 2</i>	
	Plenary meeting <i>Integrated solutions to reduce mycotoxins along food and feed chains – future expectations</i>		
18:35 – 19:15	Poster viewing and drinks sponsored by Neogen		
20:15	The conference dinner ( <i>reservations only</i> )		

## WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH 2018

08:30 – 12:00	Plenary meeting <i>A step beyond – towards a mycotoxin-free supply chain through next level control strategies?</i>	Exhibition
12:00 – 12:15	Best Poster Award presentation – <i>sponsored by Nutriad</i>	
12:15 – 12:45	<i>Taking mycotoxin control to the next level – Top Five Answers</i> Looking forward to <b>WMFmeetsIUPAC2019</b>	
12:45	Closing of <b>WMF2018</b>	



# SUNDAY 11 MARCH 2018

## 18:30 – 20:00 Welcome reception sponsored by R-Biopharm

The welcome reception provides an excellent opportunity to network, meet old friends and colleagues, as well as meet new people. The reception will take place in a typical Amsterdam location, enhancing the Amsterdam experience!



# MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018

## PLENARY MEETING

### Past, Present, and Future Challenges

No progress can be made without careful consideration of the past, analysis of the present and a vision for a possible future. It is very difficult to predict the future but it is of utmost necessity to provide a vision for such a future so as to face its challenges.

**Chairs:** Hans van Egmond, M.Sc. and Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska

## 10:30 Opening of WMF2018

### 10:45 Introduction and overview of the conference

- A rearview mirror perspective of The World Mycotoxin Forum  
Hans van Egmond, M.Sc., *retired from RIKILT Wageningen University & Research, the Netherlands*
- The World Mycotoxin Forum – 10th conference: Taking mycotoxin control to the next level  
Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska, *Department IFA-Tulln, BOKU Vienna, Austria*

### 11:05 Global occurrence of mycotoxins in the past decade: are mycotoxin prevention measures rendering detoxification strategies obsolete?

Dr. Gerd Schatzmayr, *Biomin, Austria*

### 11:25 Towards integrated approaches to mitigate mycotoxins across a changing landscape

Dr. Jagger Harvey, *Feed the Future Innovation Lab for the Reduction of Post-Harvest Loss, Kansas State University, USA*

### 11:45 Mycotoxins and food security: are control strategies resilient under environmental change?

Prof. Dr. Naresh Magan, *Applied Mycology Group, Cranfield University, UK*

### 12:05 Can we foresee the future of mycotoxin testing?

Dr. Ronald Niemeijer, *R-Biopharm, Germany*

## 12:30 Lunch break Poster viewing



# MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018

## PLENARY MEETING *(continued)*

### Past, Present, and Future Challenges

**Chairs:** Hans van Egmond, M.Sc. and Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska

- 13:30** Unravelling supply chain costs and risks due to *Fusarium* head blight (scab)  
Prof. Dr. William W. Wilson, *Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics, North Dakota State University, USA*
- 13:50** **Stakeholders' views**
- **Initiatives and challenges by farmers to handle the risk of mycotoxins in the field**  
Max Schulman, *on behalf of COPA-COGECA, the organisation of European farmers and agri-cooperatives*
  - **Mycotoxin management and raw materials – experiences in the European grain trading sector**  
Dr. Johan De Meester, *on behalf of COCERAL, the European association representing the trade in cereals, rice, feedstuffs, oilseeds, olive oil, oils and fats, and agrosupply*
  - **Managing aflatoxin contamination in grains in Africa – the farm to fork approach!**  
Dr. Owen Fraser, *Nestlé Research Centre, Switzerland*
  - **Controlling your feed quality: solutions for anticipating and mitigating mycotoxin risk**  
Thomas Pecqueur, *Cargill Animal Nutrition, Canada*
- 15:10** Major challenges and needs identified  
Chairs' summary of the plenary meeting
- 15:30** **Networking break and exhibition**

## PLENARY MEETING

### Company Pitches and Speed Presentations

**Chair:** Dr. Franz Berthiller

- 16:00** **Company pitches**  
Short presentations by sponsors to inspire the audience to visit their booths
- 17:00** **Speed presentations**  
Short presentations (6-minutes) by selected poster presenters to provide an overview of their research and inspire the audience to visit their posters
- 18:00** **Poster viewing**
- Wine tasting sponsored by Biomin/Romer Labs**  
In the good tradition of previous years, a Wine & Cheese tasting party will be organised. A great way to meet all colleagues from the mycotoxin community and to view the posters presented.



# TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

## SESSION 1

### Occurrence, Exposure and Effects – What's Up?

What are the main challenges in providing reliable data for supporting the risk assessment of mycotoxins?

**Chairs:** Dr. Vittorio Fattori and Dr. Paul South

**08:30** Mycotoxins in livestock systems in developing countries

Dr. Johanna Lindahl, *International Livestock Research Institute, Kenya*

**08:50** A survey of mycotoxins in retail cereal-based foods for infants and young children in the United States

Dr. Anthony Adeuya, *Division of Plant Products and Beverages, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, USA*

**09:10** Mycotoxin exposure patterns in infants and young children in sub-Saharan Africa

Dr. Chibundu Ezekiel, *Department of Microbiology, Babcock University, Nigeria*

**09:30** Ergot alkaloids: recent toxicological data on a longstanding problem

Dr. Philippe Pinton, *Toxalim Research Centre in Food Toxicology, INRA, University of Toulouse, France*

**09:50** Mycotoxin cocktails in food and feed and their toxicological potential

Dr. Isabelle Oswald, *Toxalim Research Centre in Food Toxicology, INRA, University of Toulouse, France*

**10:10** Dietary intervention as a tool to manage mycotoxin-induced immune related disorders: facts or fiction?

Prof. Dr. Johan Garssen, *Nutricia Research and Utrecht University, the Netherlands*

**10:30** Networking break and exhibition

**11:00** What goes in must come out: a paired duplicate diet/24-hour urine study to estimate exposure to deoxynivalenol and zearalenone

Dr. Hans Mol, *RIKILT Wageningen University & Research, the Netherlands*

**11:20** Biomonitoring of deoxynivalenol in human volunteers: results of an intervention study

Dr. Marcel Mengelers, *National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, the Netherlands*

**11:40** Health-related risks of certain modified mycotoxins in food and feed

Dr. Hans Steinkellner, *Biological Hazards and Contaminants Unit, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy*

**12:00** EFSA's risk assessment of *Fusarium* mycotoxins: a challenging endeavour

Dr. Lutz Edler, *German Cancer Research Center, Germany*

**12:20** Probabilistic analysis in risk assessment:

- An introduction to APROBA-plus, a simple tool for risk assessment visualising the quantitative uncertainties in hazard characterisation and exposure assessment  
Prof. Dr. Wout Slob, *National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, the Netherlands*
- An illustration of APROBA-plus using deoxynivalenol as an example compound  
Dr. Matthias Herzler, *Department Chemicals and Product Safety, German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment, Germany*

**12:45** Lunch break

Workshops and poster viewing



# TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

## SESSION 2

### Holistic Analytical Approaches and Reduction Strategies

Holistic approaches to mycotoxin analysis and reduction can potentially help take mycotoxin control to the next level.

**Chair:** Prof. Dr. Chiara Dall'Asta

- 08:30** **Untargeted metabolomics strategy: a new predictable tool for early detection of mycotoxins**  
Dr. Josep Rubert, *Department of Food Analysis and Nutrition, University of Chemistry and Technology Prague, Czech Republic*
- 08:50** **What can we learn from lipidomics experiments using mycotoxins in 3D human liver microtissues?**  
Prof. Dr. Gabriele Cruciani, *Department of Chemistry, Biology and Biotechnology, University of Perugia, Italy*
- 09:10** **Metabolomics approaches to identify other relevant secondary metabolites of plants and fungi**  
Prof. Dr. Rainer Schuhmacher, *Department IFA-Tulln, BOKU Vienna, Austria*
- 09:30** **Metagenomics to identify novel toxin deactivators from the soil microbiome**  
Dr. Chris Allen, *Institute for Global Food Security, Queen's University Belfast, UK*
- 09:50** ***Aspergillus flavus* polyamines: small molecules with large biological implications**  
Dr. Raj Majumdar, *Food and Feed Safety Research, Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, USA*
- 10:10** **Towards real-time detection of *Fusarium* spores to reduce mycotoxins in the food chain**  
Prof. Dr. Jonathan West, *Biointeractions and Crop Protection Department, Rothamsted Research, UK*
- 10:30** **Networking break and exhibition**

## SESSION 3

### Managing the Impact of Mycotoxins – Part 1

Several strategies starting in the field and continuing to storage and physical removal can help manage the impact of mycotoxins on the food and feed supply chain.

**Chair:** Dr. Amare Ayalew

- 11:00** ***Fusarium* community structure revealed by metabarcoding – implications for mycotoxin contamination**  
Dr. Ida Karlsson, *Department of Crop Production Ecology, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden*
- 11:20** **Biocontrol of aflatoxins: the pros and cons of competitive exclusion**  
Dr. John Pitt, *CSIRO Agriculture and Food, Australia*
- 11:40** **The role of hermetic storage for postharvest mycotoxin control**  
Dr. Charles Woloshuk, *Department of Botany and Plant Pathology, Purdue University, USA*
- 12:00** **Effect of composting, combustion and anaerobic digestion of *Fusarium*-damaged grain and screenings on elimination of mycotoxins**  
Dr. Joy Agnew, *Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute, Canada*
- 12:20** **A historical review of technologies focused on preventing and removing mycotoxin contamination in the supply chain**  
Dr. Gerardo Morantes, *Bühler Group, USA*
- 12:45** **Lunch break**  
**Workshops and poster viewing**



# TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

## SESSION 4

### Sampling and Analysis – Ongoing Developments

Despite the existence of well-established methods for sampling and analysis, some challenges remain and a number of issues require action.

**Chair:** Dr. Sheryl Tittlemier

**13:45** Sampling of dried figs for mycotoxin: variability associated with sampling, sample preparation and analysis

Dr. Hayrettin Özer, *Food Institute, Tübitak Marmara Research Center, Turkey*

**14:05** Current challenges in mycotoxin determination

Dr. Franz Berthiller, *Department IFA-Tulln, BOKU Vienna, Austria*

**14:25** Quantum cascade lasers for on-site detection of aflatoxins and trichothecenes in food

Prof. Dr. Boris Mizaikoff, *Institute of Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry, Ulm University, Germany*

**14:45** The USDA-GIPSA Mycotoxin Testing Program for grain: assuring quality in a nationwide lab network employing rapid methods

Dr. Tim D. Norden, *Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, USA*

**15:05** Setting-up of a proficiency-testing scheme for mycotoxins in cereals

Eric Ziegler, *BIPEA, France*

**15:25** Purity determination of high purity mycotoxin standards by  $^1\text{H}$  quantitative NMR

Dr. Toru Miura, *Laboratory and Specialty Chemical Division, Wako Pure Chemical Industries Ltd., Japan*

**15:45** Networking break and exhibition





# TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

## SESSION 5

### Managing the Impact of Mycotoxins – Part 2

Processing and detoxification strategies can further reduce the impact of mycotoxins on the food and feed supply chain.

**Chair:** Dr. Martien Spanjer

**13:45** Effects of food processing on the reduction and distribution of modified mycotoxins  
Dr. Arnau Vidal Coromodias, *Department of Bio-analysis, Ghent University, Belgium*

**14:05** Mycotoxin transfer rates and processing factors in selected food chains  
Dr. Carsten Fauhl-Hassek, *Department Safety in the Food Chain, Federal Institute for Risk Assessment, Germany*

**14:25** Transformation of mycotoxins: stories from field to process to digestion  
Dr. Michele Suman, *Barilla Advanced Laboratory Research, Italy*

**14:45** Atmospheric-pressure plasma: prospective tool for inactivation of fungal pathogens and degradation of mycotoxins  
Dr. Lars ten Bosch, *Faculty of Natural Sciences and Technology, University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Germany*

**15:05** Current research topics in mycotoxin decontamination: focus on China  
Prof. Dr. Liu Yang, *Institute of Agro-Products Processing Science and Technology, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, China*

**15:25** Effective mycotoxin detoxification strategies to ensure safer feed  
María Ángeles Rodríguez Quirós, *Olmix Group, France*

**15:45** Networking break and exhibition





# TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

## PLENARY MEETING

### Integrated Solutions to Reduce Mycotoxins along Food and Feed Chains – Future Expectations

The projects MyToolBox and MycoKey funded by the European Commission aim at reducing the mycotoxin contamination throughout the food and feed chain by integrating different disciplines and research into an ICT tool that assists stakeholders in decision making.



**Chairs:** Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska and Dr. Antonio Logrieco

- 16:15 MycoKey and MyToolBox: an example of good European cooperation**  
Dr. Antonio Logrieco, *Institute of Sciences of Food Production (ISPA-CNR), Italy*
- 16:25 Genetic basis of the resistance to *Fusarium* ear rot in maize**  
Prof. Dr. Adriano Marocco, *Department of Sustainable Crop Production, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy*
- 16:40 Use of atoxigenic isolates in aflatoxin control in Serbia**  
Prof. Dr. Ferenc Bagi, *Faculty of Agriculture, University of Novi Sad, Serbia*
- 16:55 Control of *Fusarium* head blight with biopesticides**  
Prof. Dr. Simon Edwards, *Crop and Environment Sciences Department, Harper Adams University, UK*
- 17:10 Intervention strategies for minimising mycotoxins in the malting process**  
Dr. Laitila Arja, *VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland Ltd., Finland*
- 17:25 Feed additives for mycotoxin detoxification – efficacy and authorisation in the EU and China**  
Dr. John Gilbert, *FoodLife International, Turkey*
- 17:40 Advanced analytical methods for mycotoxin detection: priorities and critical issues**  
Dr. Veronica Lattanzio, *Institute of Sciences of Food Production (ISPA-CNR), Italy*
- 17:55 The neglected issue of evaluating and reducing the impact of the lot-to-lot variation on the measurement uncertainty**  
David Stadler, M.Sc., *Department IFA-Tulln, BOKU Vienna, Austria*
- 18:10 MycoKey app for chain management**  
Dr. Theo van der Lee, *Plant Research, Wageningen University & Research, the Netherlands*
- 18:25 Integrated solutions to reduce mycotoxins along food and feed chains: future expectations**  
Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska, *Department IFA-Tulln, BOKU Vienna, Austria*
- 18:35 – 19:15**  
**Poster viewing and drinks sponsored by Neogen**
- 20:15 The conference dinner (optional)**  
Join us for a very special conference dinner providing attendees with an unforgettable experience in Amsterdam!



# WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH 2018

## PLENARY MEETING

### A Step Beyond – Towards a Mycotoxin-free Supply Chain through Next Level Control Strategies?

Current approaches, including classical breeding and pre- and post-harvest strategies, are not fully adequate to eliminate mycotoxins from the food and feed supply chain. Can incentive mechanisms, computational tools, and state-of-the-art biotechnological approaches take mycotoxin control to the next level??

**Chairs:** Dr. Monique de Nijs and Frans Verstraete, M.Sc.

- 08:30** Can incentive mechanisms contribute to realising mycotoxin-free supply chains?  
Dr. Monique Mourits, *Department of Social Sciences, Wageningen University & Research, the Netherlands*
- 08:50** A drop in the matrix: computational tools boosting research in mycotoxicology  
Prof. Dr. Chiara Dall'Asta, *Department of Food Science, University of Parma, Italy*
- 09:10** Modelling the impact of mycotoxin-producing fungi on agricultural systems: issues, limits and challenges  
Dr. Andrea Maiorano, *Directorate Sustainable Resources, EC Joint Research Centre, Italy*
- 09:30** Unravelling wheat defence against deoxynivalenol reveals novel targets for disease resistance breeding  
Prof. Dr. Fiona Doohan, *School of Biology and Environmental Science, University College Dublin, Ireland*
- 09:50** Lowered mycotoxin accumulation in crops through investigation of *Fusarium*/host interactions: challenges and opportunities through 'omics'  
Prof. Dr. Dilantha Fernando, *Department of Plant Science, University of Manitoba, Canada*
- 10:10** Cutting down mycotoxins in cereals using molecular scissors  
Dr. Luisa Bortesi, *Institute of Molecular Biotechnology, RWTH Aachen University, Germany*
- 10:30** **Networking break and exhibition**
- 11:00** RNA-based strategies to control *Fusarium* diseases and mycotoxin contamination in agricultural crops  
Prof. Dr. Karl-Heinz Kogel, *Institute for Phytopathology, Justus Liebig University, Germany*
- 11:20** Aflatoxin-free transgenic maize using host-induced gene silencing  
Dr. Monica Schmidt, *School of Plant Sciences, University of Arizona, USA*
- 11:40** The global regulatory landscape for plant genome editing – hurdles and opportunities for breeding to reduce mycotoxins  
Dr. Dennis Eriksson, *Department of Plant Breeding, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden*
- 12:00** Best Poster Award presentation  
Sponsored by Nutriad
- 12:15** Taking mycotoxin control to the next level – Top Five Answers learned at the 10th conference of The World Mycotoxin Forum  
Hans van Egmond, M.Sc. and Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska
- 12:30** **Looking forward to WMFmeetsIUPAC2019**  
Presented by Prof. Dr. Rudolf Krska
- 12:45** **Closing of WMF2018**  
Take your packed lunch to eat along the way!



# WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

**TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018**

**12:45 – 13:45**

## **Mycotoxin Screening in Marijuana: Meeting US State Regulations with Testing Options**

Sponsored by VICAM, A Waters Business

Cannabis products may be susceptible to fungal contamination during cultivation, storage, or processing. The natural by-products of several mould species, aflatoxin and ochratoxin, present serious health risks to humans and animals – including liver toxicity, immune suppression – and are amongst the most carcinogenic naturally occurring substances known to man. U.S. State Governments and the marijuana industry have been proactive in the creation of regulatory standards and requirements, to establish criteria for quality and purity standards, and to build credibility with consumers and regulatory agencies. VICAM is the division of Waters Corporation dedicated to food and agricultural safety rapid diagnostics, and provides established global leadership in the development, manufacturing, and marketing of antibody-based technologies to support safety and purity regulatory compliance.

This workshop will discuss the regulatory field in the USA and beyond, and will focus on the state-of-the-art innovative testing solutions and methods provided by VICAM.

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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Website

The latest details of the 10th conference of The World Mycotoxin Forum® can be found at:

**[www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org](http://www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org)**

## Who should attend

The World Mycotoxin Forum® is bringing together businesses and food/feed professionals in all stages of the agrifood chain, regulatory authorities and inspectors, consulting agencies and advisors, and science from all over the world.

## Venue

The 10th conference of The World Mycotoxin Forum® will be held in the 'Beurs van Berlage', Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The Beurs van Berlage – the former stock exchange building built in 1903 – is situated right in the historic city centre of Amsterdam.

## Registration

For all relevant information on registration fees and on-line registration, please visit:

**[www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org](http://www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org)**

## Hotel accommodation

Participants are responsible for making their own accommodation arrangements. All information on hotel accommodation can be found at: **[www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org](http://www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org)**

*Please note:* March is a very busy period in Amsterdam, so you are advised to book early to secure your accommodation.

## Call for poster abstracts

Interested participants are strongly encouraged to submit poster abstracts (max. 400 words) by no later than **31 December 2017**. There is a limit of 2 abstracts which can be submitted by one participant. All information on poster abstract submission can be found at: **[www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org](http://www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org)**

A number of posters will be selected for 6-minute talks ('speed presentations') on Monday 12 March 2018.

## Best Poster Award

There will be a Best Poster Award to encourage scientists to display outstanding posters during the conference. The prize winner will receive a certificate and € 500 (sponsored by Nutriad). The Best Poster Award will be presented at the closing ceremony on Wednesday 14 March 2018.

## Business opportunities

The 10th conference of The World Mycotoxin Forum® offers various business opportunities, including:

- Sponsoring of the conference  
Benefit from excellent name recognition!
- Exhibiting at the conference  
Gain valuable direct exposure! Parallel to the conference a commercial exhibition will be organised in which presentations of equipment, products, and services are given. Participants of the conference have ample opportunity to visit the exhibition during the various breaks.

For all information on the business opportunities, visit **[www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org](http://www.WorldMycotoxinForum.org)**

## Language

English will be the official conference language. No simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

*It may be necessary for reasons beyond the control of the organisers to alter the content and timing of the programme or the identity of the speakers.*





The Beurs van Berlage – the former stock exchange building built in 1903 – is situated right in the historic city centre of Amsterdam. The building was designed by one of the most famous architects in the Netherlands, Hendrik Petrus Berlage. Together with five artists of his time he created a building where various art disciplines formed a single equal unity. The unique monumental value, enriched details and vibrant architecture holds many treasures and stories to tell. Berlage's building was once a place where goods and grains were traded. Merchants met here to close deals and share information with each other. Nowadays, the Beurs van Berlage is one of the most desired places for international conferences to inform and inspire each other in the heart of Amsterdam.

*The Beurs van Berlage is the most centrally located of all conference locations in Amsterdam, within walking distance of Amsterdam Central Station, several car parks and 15 minutes from Amsterdam Schiphol Airport.*



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