Fifth International Symposium on Medicinal & Aromatic Plants "SIPAM 2016" Djerba (Tunisia) 29-31 December 2016

Organized by:

-Arid Zone Research Institute / Laboratory of Pastoral Ecosystems and Valorization of wild plants

- International Society for Horticultural Sciences: ISHS

Background/ Rationnnel

Medicinal and aromatic plants have been used since ancient times in many forms in the traditional medicinal practices for health care. According to WHO, medicinal plants are accessible, affordable and culturally appropriate sources of primary health care for more than 80% of the world population who relies largely on traditional medicine for their primary healthcare needs. Traditional medicine is, at present, accepted as an alternative for or used in conjunction with the modern medicine in many countries. Medicinal plants and their extracts are increasing worldwide and demanding immense supplies. Aromatic plants and their products particularly essential oils are becoming more important. According to WHO, the international market of herbal products is estimated to be US \$ 62 billion which is poised to grow to US \$ 5 trillion by the year 2050. It's in this context and after four successful International Symposia on Aromatic and Medicinal Plants (SIPAM) organized by Arid Zone Research Institute (IRA) and the International Society for Horticultural Sciences (ISHS) with the support of many other national and international partners that the fifth edition of this symposium (**SIPAM 2016**) will be organized in Djerba (Tunisia), during December 29-31, 2016 in the frame of the fortieth anniversary of IRA.

This edition will provide a forum for the scientists, traditional health practitioners, academicians, representatives from the medical and pharmaceutical industries, conservation biologists, biochemists, NGOs, policy makers, farmers, government agencies *etc.* to discuss and share the advanced information and experiences on MAP. Also, the scheduled conference is very important for future research collaboration and networking between institutions for the promotion and development of medicinal and aromatic plants cultivation and industry for sustainable health and environment activities. This symposium will be an excellent

opportunity to exhibit your basic researches, findings and practices in the various thematic sessions stated below.

Topics of the Conference

The conference will comprise key note presentations, oral presentations, poster presentation and field trip and visit to some MAPs project. The main topics to be developed are:

- Biodiversity, management and conservation of MAPs
- Biotechnology, cultivation and industrial processing of MAPs
- Phytochemistry
- Phytomedicine
- Pharmacology and toxicology
- Economics and Marketing
- Herbal drugs in human and animal health and industrial applications
- Regulation and standard requirements
- Ethics of MAP use

Exhibition

A space will be reserved for the exhibition of MAP products and the scientific and industrial equipment related to the conference topics.

Presentations guideline:

Contributors are invited to submit papers. Papers accepted and selected by scientific committee will be published in *Acta Horticulturae* to ensure their widest dissemination. Other presentations will be published in a special issue of the journal of the IRA "*Revue des Régions Arides*".

Authors are asked to provide a one-page summary (characters: TNR 12; 1.5 line spacing, and margins A4 2.5 cm).

For more details and to register, please visit the Symposium Web site (under construction) or alternatively you may contact the scientific coordinators of the conference: Professor Mohamed NEFFATI: neffati.mohamed@ira.rnrt.tn

Deadlines

September 2016: abstract submission

October 2016: Notification of acceptance

November 2016: Submission of accepted papers (max 10 pages for key note presentations and 8 pages for oral and poster presentations)

First December 2016: Publication of the final program

Language of the symposium

English

Registration fee

	30 October	
	Before	After
Tunisian academics	500 DT	550 DT
Students	350 DT	400 DT
Others (industrials, Docteurs)	550 DT	600 DT
Foreigner	350 Euros	400 Euros

These amounts include the costs of accommodation (3 nights full board in a four star hotel, admission to the scientific sessions and exhibitions, conference bag, book of abstracts ...).

All registration fees include VAT.

Post symposium tour: Excursion and field trip will be organized in the great southern Tunisia: 30 DT (20 Euros) / Person (transport + meals)

Payment is made by label bank check or purchase order (only for national universities and research centers) in the name of IRA account number: **04900014404700172479;** Attijari Bank

Honorary committee

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Scientific committee

All scientific contribution will be peer-reviewed by scientific committee consisting of the below experts within MAPs research:

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