



INVITATION

Dear Colleagues,

The 17th Triennial Conference of the European Association for Potato Research (EAPR) will be held at the ARO-Palace Centre and Transylvania University in Braşov, Romania on July 6 to July 10, 2008.

On behalf of the EAPR and Romanian organizers a warm welcome will be given to all scientists and potato experts from all over the world who will participate to this international forum, in the International Year of Potato.

Make plans with your colleagues to attend the Conference.

Yours sincerely
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ABOUT THE CONGRESS

In the International Year of Potato, the Congress is an interactive forum where scientists and potato experts can meet and share their thoughts and identify solutions for "a potato in a changing world".

The topics cover all the classical subjects of potato industry related to the future challenges. Plenary lectures, parallel sessions, poster presentations and workshops have been organized.

TOPICS:

- Potatoes as source of benefic substances for health
 - Advances in genomics and genetic modification
 - Topics in breeding and variety development
 - Seed potato production systems and micropropagation innovations
 - Physiology of the potato: new insights and repercussions for crop management
 - Major threats of pests and diseases and integrated crop management
 - Breakthroughs in agronomy including precision and organic farming
 - Breakthroughs in potato utilization and product development
 - Advances in plant modelling and application in practice and science
 - Food safety, sustainability, traceability and best agricultural practice
 - Potato crop growth, development and management in climate change
 - Rapid potato evolution in developing countries
 - Changing role of potato in Central Europe
- Topics and oral presentations based on scientific committee selection are introduced by invited speakers. The official conference language will be English. To provide additional information about Romanian potato industry and Romanian style of life, scientific excursions, social events and special accompanying person excursions have been organized.

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July 06 - 10 2008
Braşov, Romania



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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME EAPR-CONFERENCE, BRAŞOV, JULY 06-10, 2008

	Morning	Place	Afternoon	Place	Evening - Events	Place
SUNDAY 06.07			14.00-18.00 Registration Assembling of the Posters	ARO Palace	19.30 Get together party	ARO Palace
			16.00-19.00 EAPR Working meetings	ARO Palace		
MONDAY 07.07	9.00-13.00 Opening ceremony Plenary lectures	AULA Univ. Transylvania	15.00-18.00 Plenary lectures	AULA Univ. Transylvania	20.00 Romanian potato tradition	ARO Palace
			18.30-19.30 EAPR General meeting	AULA Univ. Transylvania		
TUESDAY 08.07	8.30-13.30 Parallel sessions	ARO Palace	15.00-16.30 Poster session	ARO Palace	20.30 Congress Dinner (not included in student fees)	ARO Palace
			16.45-17.45 Parallel workshop	ARO Palace		
			17.45-18.30 Section meetings	ARO Palace		
WEDNESDAY 09.07	8.00-20.00 Scientific excursions				21.00 EAPR Business Dinner	Poiana Braşov, (For invited guests)
	Braşov, Covasna, seed potato production					
	Braşov, Făgăraş, Sibiu potato storage & processing					
	Braşov, Târgovişte early potato production					
THURSDAY 10.07	8.30-10.30 Parallel sessions	ARO Palace	13.30-14.00 Closing ceremony		19.00 Diner (Optional)	Poiana Braşov (Romanian food)
	11.00-13.30 Plenary lectures	ARO Palace				

ACCOMPANYING PERSON PROGRAM

- Monday, 7 July (9.00-19.00) Following Dracula - One day trip to the Medieval Citadel of Sighişoara.
- Tuesday 8 July (9.00-19.00) Old Fortress in Carpathian's mountains (including Dracula's Castle and Poiana Braşov).
- Wednesday, 9 July (9.00-19.00) Prahova Valley and Royal Castle Peleş from Sinaia.
- Thursday, 10 July (8.30-14.00) Braşov - traditional city of Transylvania. Cultural objectives and shopping.

Excursions and lunches are included in the registration fees.

	Before 31.01.2008	After 31.01.2008
EAPR and PAA member	350 Euros	450 Euros
Company (EAPR member)	420 Euros	550 Euros
Non-member	475 Euros	575 Euros
Student*	190 Euros	240 Euros
Accompanying Persons (AP)	230 Euros per AP	280 Euros per AP

REGISTRATION FEES

- * Students have to provide a supporting document by separate mail, e-mail or Fax
- Including all social events, if it is not indicated otherwise
- If you are interested in becoming an EAPR member go to the EAPR Webpage and consult Membership

WELCOME TO BRAŞOV

Congress Venue

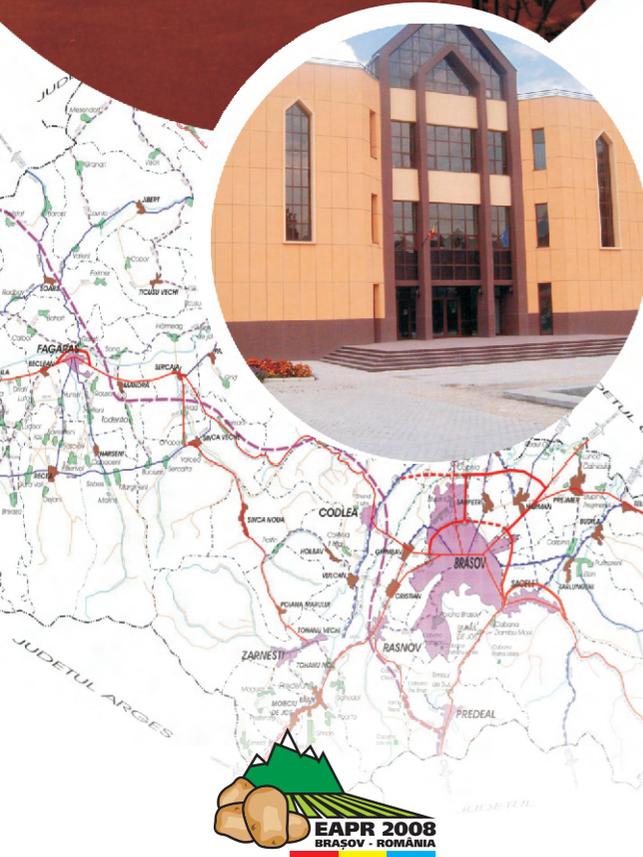
The 17th Triennial Conference of the European Association for Potato Research will take place at the ARO-Palace Centre and Transylvania University Aula in Braşov, Romania. Aro Palace hotel founded in 1939 and placed in the old center of the city will be the host of the Congress alongside with the modern University Aula.

The City

Braşov is a medieval town in Transylvania, 160 km North from Romania's capital Bucharest. Surrounded by mountains, with a multiple cultural heritage it will offer a wide view of the county's identity. Old medieval walls, churches and castles (Dracula's Castle at 30 km) and also mountain resorts (Poiana Braşov at 12 km) are the attractions of the Braşov area.

City of Braşov

More details about history and tourism in Braşov can be found at www.wikipedia.org. There is also a map of Braşov



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