



EAZA Zoo Horticulture Conference
16-19 May 2017, Fondazione Bioparco di Roma

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Tuesday 16 may: 18.30 – 20.30

- ICE-BREAKER: will take place at the BIOPARCO

Wednesday 17 may: 08:30 – 18:00

- 08:30 - 09:00: **Registration**
- 09.00 - 09.15: **Welcome from the host**
- 09.15 – 09.55: “Biological Invasions: patterns, impacts and policy measures”. Piero Genovesi - Chair IUCN SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group
- 09.55 – 10.10: discussion
- 10.10 – 10.50: “Control of Invasive Alien Species: two experiences/case studies at the Bioparco, Rome Zoo”. Susanna Rambelli
- 10.50 – 11.00: discussion
- 11.00 – 11.15: **Coffee break**
- 11.15 – 11.55: “Phytosanitary control of the introduction and spread of alien invasive species”. Mariaincoronata Roselli and Nunzio Esposito - Inspectors of Lazio Plant Protection Service
- 11.55 – 12.10: discussion
- 12.10 – 12.50: “Biodiversity and production: protection of the environment and protection of the business”. Edoardo Sciutti, National Association of Nurserymen Exporters
- 12.50 – 13.00: discussion
- 13.00 – 14.30: **Lunch**
- 14.30 – 14.50: “Foamstream: managing weeds, moss and algae in sensitive areas with the most effective natural alternative to herbicides” Edward Cutler- Managing Director, Weedingtech Italia
- 14.50 – 15.00: discussion
- 15.00 – 15.45: “Studying the behavior of visitors as a method of assessing the attractiveness of exhibits for animals” Robert Zubkowicz.
- 15.45 – 16:00: discussion
- 16.00 – 16.15: **Coffee break**
- 16.15 – 17.30: **Zoo visit**
- 17.30 – 18.00: **Silent auction**

Free evening





Thursday 18 may: 09:00 –

- 09.00 – 09.20: News from “The Howletts Wild Animal Trust” David Sutton
- 09.20 – 09.30: discussion.
- 09.30 – 09.50: News from “Dublin Zoo” Stephen Butler
- 09.50 – 10.00: discussion.
- 10.00 – 10.45: “EAZA Strategy 2017/2020” Laura Meyers
- 10.45 – 11.00: discussion
- 11.00 – 11.15: **Coffee break**
- 11.15 – 11.35: “Invasive species at Budapest Zoo” Zsigmund Vince
- 11.35 – 11.45: discussion.
- 11.45 – 12.00: “Forage course in Dublin” David Sutton/Sven Seiffert
- 12.00 – 13.00: “News from “EAZA Horticulture” Sergio Pacinotti
- 13.00 – 14.30: **Lunch**
- 15.00 – 17.30: **visit of Villa Borghese and walking to Villa Medici**
- 17.30 – 19.30: **visit of Villa Medici***
- 20.30: **Social dinner at a typical roman restaurant located in the city center** In that afternoon/evening we will walk around 3-4 km

Friday 19 may: 8.30-18.00

Full day trip by reserved bus to the Castel Porziano State Nature Reserve and to the Rose Garden

- 08:30 - 15:00: **visit of Castel Porziano****
- 15.00 – 16.00: **return to Rome**
- 16.00 – 17.00: **visit of the Rose Garden***** (city center – Aventine Hill)
- 17:00 – 18.00: **return to the Zoo.**

Those who plan to leave on Friday evening and need help or suggestion regarding timing, how to reach the airport etc.. can email us for info (ezgmeeting@bioparco.it; susanna.rambelli@bioparco.it).



EXCURSIONS:

* VILLA MEDICI - Académie de France à Rome

The French Academy in Rome is an Academy located in the Villa Medici, within the Villa Borghese, on the Pincio (Pincian Hill) in Rome, Italy. Today the Academy, under the tutelage of the Ministry of Culture and Communication of France, welcomes and hosts artists and researchers of all nationalities, to enable them to pursue their projects of art and architecture. The Academy was founded at the Palazzo Capranica in 1666 by Louis XIV, under the direction of Jean-Baptiste Colbert, Charles Le Brun and Gian Lorenzo Bernini. From 1803 the French Academy in Rome moved to Villa Medici. The gardens of the Villa Medici, with an extension of over 7 hectares from north to south, maintain a XVIth century style. Villa Medici and its gardens were elected "Parco Più Bello d'Italia **2015**" ("Most beautiful garden of Italy") in the category **Public Gardens**, along with the Garden of Ninfa, for the category Private Garden. Villa Medici and the Garden of Ninfa were elected among more than 1000 participants.

** CASTEL PORZIANO NATURE RESERVE

Since 1999 it has been recognized as State Natural Reserve. A strict system protects both historical-archaeological beauties (aqueducts, roads and Roman buildings) and environment with a great naturalistic value that represent one of the last patches of coastal forests that in the past covered the ancient Latium coast. Proceeding from the sea to the inland, you can see a large area of unpolluted beach, recent sand dunes with pioneer and colonizing plants, ancient dunes strengthened with wetlands behind them and Maquis areas, with green and aromatic species. Woods alternate to clearings and natural grasslands, that give hospitality to centuries-old tree specimens. Of particular interest are the so-called "pools", natural waterholes that prove the ancient presence of wet environments and flooded woods extended to the Pontine Plain. Wildlife population is extremely rich: boar, fallow deer, roe deer, deer, fox, hedgehog, porcupine, reptiles, and many birds both sedentary and migratory.

*** ROSE GARDEN

Is a public garden in Rome, located opposite the Circus Maximus on the Aventine Hill. The park was established in 1931. Over 1100 varieties of roses are grown there, many of them gifts from countries around the world. In this site, near the Roman Ghetto, since 1645 until 1934 was in place the Jewish cemetery in Rome. In 1934 the Jewish community of Rome obtained as cemetery a section of the monumental cemetery of Campo Verano and only in 1950 the City Council, with the agreement of the Jewish community, decided to create a rose garden in the current area.

