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Wageningen UR Greenhouse Horticulture is a Business Unit of Wageningen University and Reserch Centre. Experience in both greenhouse horticulture and research allows Wageningen UR Greenhouse Horticulture to develop and implement innovations for and in partnership with the horticultural industry.

Venue

The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn in Leiden. Holiday Inn offers excellent meeting facilities in combination with relaxing bedrooms equipped with high speed internet. Leiden is the birth place of Rembrandt and offers a historic and charming city centre with more than 10 world famous museums.

Accommodation

Participants can all be hosted at the Holiday Inn (venue). A reservation form can be found on the website. Some other hotels are close to the venue but should be arranged by participants.

Transport

Leiden lies 20 km from Amsterdam Schiphol Airport and can be reached by direct train in 16 minutes. Complimentary Shuttle busses from the Leiden station to the Holiday Inn are available. Walking distance to the venue from the station is 2 km. Amsterdam can be reached by train in 35 minutes; The Hague, the seat of the government, in 15 and Rotterdam in 35 minutes. There is ample public transport in all cities mentioned. Holiday Inn is situated at exit 8 of the A44 motorway.



Second announcement of
The International Symposium on
Growing Media and Soilless Cultivation



**Theme: Water Efficient
Horticulture World Wide**

**17-21 June 2013
Leiden, The Netherlands**



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Joint Symposia

Working groups under the Commission of Plant Substrates and Soilless Cultivation of the ISHS (Growing Media, Composting for Horticultural applications, Substrate analysis, Hydroponics, Aquaponics) and the International Peat Society (Committee 2) are pleased to announce a joint Symposium from June 17-21 2013. The Symposium is organized under the auspices of the International Society for Horticultural Science in joint cooperation with the International Peat Society.

Mission

A meeting of scientists and industry to share and expand their expertise and to form synergic conglomerates aimed at clarifying and serving the goals of the international public and subsequent policies. The theme is "Water Efficient Horticulture World Wide".

Key note speakers

The provisional list includes Dr. Johannes Welsch (Industrieverband Gartenbau, Germany), Prof. Dr. Jean Caron (Laval Univ., Canada), Dr. Ernst van den Ende (Plant Sciences, Wageningen UR), Dr. Cecilia Stanghellini (Water Use, Wageningen UR).



Topics

The symposium brings together researchers and industry; specific topics will be:

- Soilless culture and growing media systems
- Efficient use of water and nutrients
- Aquaponics
- Development of (new) growing media
- Advances in composting
- Physical and chemical substrate properties
- Analytical methods
- Measuring, control and automation
- Resilience and disease suppression
- Control of soil-borne pests and diseases

Provisional programme

June 16: Registration and welcome drink

June 17 - 20: Oral and poster presentations

June 21: Professional tour: greenhouse operations, research facilities, substrate production



General Information for Authors

Authors are cordially invited to submit an abstract of less than 200 words via a special link on the website. Acceptance of the contribution by the Scientific Committee will be reported to the first author with a joint invitation to submit a full paper.

Call for abstracts and Second announcement	15 May 2012
Deadline for abstracts	1 October 2012
Notification of acceptance and invitation for full texts and deadline for reduced registration fee	15 December 2012
Deadline for normal registration fee	15 February 2013
Deadline for submission of full texts	21 June 2013

Fee

Euro per person	Member ISHS, IPS	No member
Before 15 Dec 2012	575	675
Before 15 Feb 2013	625	725
After 15 Feb 2013	675	775
PhD students	300	300
Symposium dinner	50	50
Professional tour	60	60

Included in the fee: admittance to the venue, one copy of Acta Horticulturae Proceedings, lunch, coffee and refreshments during sessions. As Leiden itself offers numerous touristic activities, there will be no accompanying programme.

Language

The official language of the symposium is English.

