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***III International Conference  
Safety Health Welfare in Agriculture  
Agro – food and Forestry Systems***

***RAGUSA SHWA 2012***

September 3 - 6, 2012

Hybla Campus – Ragusa - IT

**II Announcement and Call for Papers**

Dear Colleagues,

We would like to invite you to take part in the III Edition of the

International Conference

***Safety Health Welfare in Agriculture Agro – food and Forestry Systems***

RAGUSA SHWA 2012

The Conference will take place at Ragusa (Italy), September 3 - 6, 2012. The Conference language will be in English.

**As attachment you find:**

- **Flyer of the Conference;**
- **Guidelines for abstracts;**
- **Abs Model;**
- **Preliminary Programme;**

Also, we are proud to announce that September 3, 2012, in Ragusa, it will be held a workshop of the ancient and prestigious Accademia of Georgofili (Florence - IT) focused on

***Safety and Prevention in Wine Growing***

Please, feel free to forward this message to anyone who might be interested

*Giampaolo Schillaci*

Convener Ragusa SHWA 2012

[www.ragusashwa.it/2012](http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012)

## Conference Programme

The whole morning of Monday 3 Sept. will be devoted to the Accademia Georgofili.

<b>Preliminary Programme Ragusa SHWA 2012</b> <i>Safety, Health and Welfare in Agriculture Agro-food and Forestry Systems</i>	
<b>September 3, 2012 - RAGUSA SHWA &amp; ACCADEMIA DEI GEORGOFILI</b> <b>Workshop on <i>Safety, Health and Welfare in Wine Growing</i></b>	
<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Piccarolo Pietro – CIGR V Past Pres. - President Safety and Health Georgofili Committee</b>

The International Conference of RAGUSA SHWA 2012 will start in the afternoon with a First Communication, 4 Lectio Magistralis, some Main Communications. The Scientific Programme follows with plenary session, parallel oral sessions, poster sessions, 5 Short Symposia, a Workshop and a Plenary Session with a Closure Ceremony. A Technical tour and the Accompanying Person Programme will be organised. Please, visit frequently the Conf. Website [www.ragusashwa.it](http://www.ragusashwa.it)

<b>RAGUSA SHWA 2012 – <i>First Communication</i></b>	
14.15 14.30	<b>Prof. Dr. Claus Aage Grøn Sørensen</b> <i>President V C.I.G.R.</i>
<b>RAGUSA SHWA 2012 – <i>Lectio Magistralis</i></b>	
14.30 16.30	<b>Chairperson</b> Claus Aage Grøn Sørensen – Pres. CIGR V
	<b>Dr. Joerg Hartung – University of Hannover</b> <i>Poultry production in 2020 - developments in technology, animal health and welfare</i>
	<b>Prof. William Field – Purdue University</b> <i>Assistive Technologies Restore Orchard Growers Independence</i>
	<b>Dr. John Rosecrance – University of Colorado</b> <i>Ergonomic Challenges in Dairy Farming and Production</i>
	<b>Dr. Iver Thysen - Danish Agency of Science, Technology and Innovation.</b> <i>Robotic Helps to Achieve High Level of Safety, Health and Welfare in Agriculture</i>
<b>RAGUSA SHWA2012 – <i>Main Communications</i></b>	
16.30 17.30	<b>Dr. Peter Lundqvist – Nordic Rota</b> <b>Dott. Sandro Liberatori - ENAMA</b> <b>Prof. Dr. Daniela Colombini -</b> <b>Dr. Eugenio Ariano – ASL</b> <b>Prof. Danilo Monarca – AIIA</b>

**The Programme is in progress**

## Topics

Please, see the flyer and the website

<http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012/index.php?indice=3>

See also the paragraph immediately below.

## Oral Presentations - Short Symposia – Workshop - Course

Participants should contribute through posters and oral presentation (full paper or, as they preferred, extended abstract). The oral presentations will be limited on 10 minutes each, following by 5 minutes of discussion. As concerns the Short Symposia, the discussion (30 min) will be after the oral presentations of 10 min each. The Authors will be notified by the Scientific Committee about the acceptance of the paper. The Scientific Committee will decide whether the contribution is accepted as oral presentation or poster. The Scientific Committee will select the papers to be presented in a Short Symposium as oral presentation among the full paper (not among the extended abs).

The selected Short Symposia deal with:

1. Ergonomics and Musculo-Skeletal risks. *In greenhouse, open field, animal husbandry, etc*
2. Animal Welfare, Machine Milking, Sustainable livestock farming. *Researchers have to study strategies and techniques, machineries and tools, buildings and environmental conditions able to increase animal welfare.*
3. Automation, Remote Control, Robot and New Vehicle able to Increase safety. *By remote control systems able to replace operators and/or put away operators and/or producing less risks factors as dust or noise or vibrations, etc*
4. Noise, vibration on field and in building or greenhouses. *Farm machineries, farm animal houses, field procedures, handling of crops or residues, etc; production, emission, controls systems, health monitoring, abatement techniques, etc)*
5. Environment Safety and People Health Protection and Welfare. *Strategies, technologies and machines able to increase people welfare by reducing the risks of environment pollution – include dust, endotoxin, microorganism - contamination and degradation in rural, urban and sub-urban areas management.*

A Workshop will be held on WMSDs in Horticultural Nurseries and Crops. The Research Units will present the results of their activities.

Finally, as collateral but very important activity we are proud to announce a Course on Evaluation of Biomechanical Overloading Risks in Agricultural Activities organised by a prestigious Italian School of Ergonomy (Ragusa, September 5,6). The language of the Course will be Italian. More details soon.

## **Submissions of the first abstracts**

Please, see <http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012/index.php?indice=4>

The *first abstract* may be a sort of concept. You can write later a *final abstract*, that will be published in the Book of Abstract (ISBN).

**Please, send the first abs before 10<sup>th</sup> December to [abs@ragusashwa.it](mailto:abs@ragusashwa.it)**

## **Deadlines and Assignments**

First Abstracts	Sc. Committee	<b>10<sup>th</sup> December 2012</b>
Decision of Scientific Committee		<b>15<sup>th</sup> January 2012</b>
Final Abstract	Book of Abs	10 <sup>th</sup> April 2012
Submission of camera - ready manuscripts (as full paper - or <i>extended abstract</i> if you prefer and if you want to take part in a Short Symposium as audience)		1 <sup>st</sup> June 2012

All the paper and the extended abs sent before the deadline will be published as (ISBN) DVD (with the Book of Abstract provided with ISBN). Moreover, they will be published on the website as a book.pdf (see [http://www.ragusashwa.it/CD\\_2010/](http://www.ragusashwa.it/CD_2010/)) a few days before the Conference, with the aim to facilitate a more useful participation.

The full paper or the extended abs that will arrive after the deadline can't be included in (ISBN) DVD and in the website book.pdf, but they will be included in the website in a dedicated webpage of [ragusashwa.it](http://www.ragusashwa.it) (without ISBN) after the Conference.

The Final Abstracts will be published also as (ISBN) EBOOK some days before the Conference.

## **Press Partners**

Press Partners will be soon reported in the home page of the website

## **Language**

The Conference language will be English. Presently, simultaneous translation is not provided.

## **Social programme – Accompanying Person**

A social programme will be provided for delegates and accompanying persons

<http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012/index.php?indice=8>

## **Technical Tour**

A Technical tour will be organised on Tuesday September 6. South east of Sicily is an area reach of all kind of farms, wineries, dairies, farming, greenhouses, packing – houses, nurseries and so on, but also reach in history and charme.

## **Congress Fee**

You may consult the Conference website

<http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012/index.php?indice=6>

Please note that if you prefer **to pay before 31 Dec 2011, you can pay the same rate of 2010 (or less for Students)**. Please, see the website:

<http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012/index.php?indice=6>

Moreover, please take care that we can't process any bank transfer if it doesn't contain the name and the surname of the attendant! Send without exception the copy of the bank transfer to our fax: + 39 0932 835070 enhancing your name!

## **Website**

The website can be already consulted. Please, visit frequently.

[www.ragusashwa.it/2012](http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012)

## **Accommodation – Transfer from / to Airport**

Information about hotel accommodation can be found on the Conference website.

<http://www.ragusashwa.it/2012/index.php?indice=11>

A fre bus transfer from / to Catania airport will be organised. You will be requested to inform us about your flights.

## **Sinergies with Nordic Rota**

We incorage managers and researchers strictly involved in SHWA themes to take part in Nordic Meeting in Agricultural Occupational Safety and Health to be held during August 27-29, 2012 in Ystad, Sweden

<http://lantbruketsarbetsmiljo.slu.se/> - info: Peter.Lundqvist AT sl.se

**Secretariat**

Ragusa Safety Health Welfare

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