Welcome to Serbia
Honey kingdom of southeast Europe
Country with the least polluted soil in Europe

Apimondia Symposium 2012
The Role of Beekeeping Technologies, Health Care of Bees and Environment in the Quality of Bee Products
First Announcement
Welcome to Belgrade

Dear friends,

We are expecting you in Serbia, the beekeeping kingdom of South-East Europe! Serbia is a country with the least polluted soil in Europe, an ideal climate for beekeeping and above average educated beekeepers. Serbia is a country of acacia forests, sunflower fields and endless forest meadows. Serbian acacia and sunflower honey has been present on market stalls all around the Europe for a long time.

Serbia welcomes you with the motto: Quality at a low price! The host of the Symposium, the Serbian Federation of Beekeeping Organization, has made an effort to make your stay in Serbia enjoyable by transforming it to a vacation and organizing it at attractive prices, with maximum hospitality, the highest level of services and good time in the most famous South-Eastern Europe city to have a good time – Belgrade! You will have the opportunity to explore the rich Serbian cuisine, which is a mixture of Eastern and Western cuisine, famous throughout the world. Therefore do not miss Serbian evening, dinner that we have carefully organized for your full enjoyment. A number of exclusive restaurants in Belgrade situated on the Danube and Sava rivers will leave you breathless, both day and night, with its ambience and high level of service, and very low prices.

This Apimondia Symposium will be organised together with Serbian Beekeeping Fair which is visited each year by 6-8 thousand beekeepers from all around the region. The Blue Hall of the exclusive congress centre Sava Centar, has 3700 seats, and we assure you that all of them will be occupied! Serbian beekeepers and beekeepers of South-East Europe, even though well educated, are always eager for new knowledge. They will pay maximum attention to this scientific Symposium which will deal with current topics, the most interesting to beekeepers, but also at least mentioned in beekeeping circles. Scientists will have the opportunity to transfer their knowledge to a number of interested beekeepers. During the following excursion, you will have the opportunity to see how Serbian beekeepers apply their knowledge in practice, and to find out what makes us unique in the world. We are impatiently waiting for you in Serbia, country of hospitality people!

Dr. med. Rodoljub Živadinović
President of the Serbian Federation of Beekeeping Organizations
President of the Local Organising Committee

Signing of the contract between Apimondia and Serbian Federation of Beekeeping Organization for organising APIECOTech 2012 Symposium
Symposium organisation structure

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President of the Standing Commission on Pollination and Bee Flora: Dr. Jacobus Biesmeijer

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Member: Predrag Martinovic
Jagoda Milenkovic

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Session: Role of technology and health care of bees in the quality of bee products

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Prof. Dr. Mica Mladenovic
Dr. Nada Plavsa
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Prof. Dr. Nikola Kezic
Dr. Med. Verica Milojkovic
Dipl. Ing. Sladjan Rasic
Zoran Kovacevic
Toplica Miladinovic
Radomir Bogdanovic

Session: Role of environment in the quality of bee products

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Dr. Jevrosima Stevanovic
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Mr Ivan Pihler
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Prof. Dr. Desimir Jevtic
Dr. Nebojsa Nedic
Dr. Janko Bozic
Bostjan Noc
Toma Radivojevic
Selim Redzovic
Symposium topics

Day 1 - **The Role of Technology in the Quality of Bee Products**
- The effects of year round technique in working with bees
- The effects of manipulation with honey supers
- The effects of hive type and height of honey supers
- The effects of migratory beekeeping
- The effects of honey extracting technique and time
- The effects of technique and time of collecting other bee products
- The effects of supplementary feeding of bees
- The effects of the treatment against varroa mite
- The effects of treatment against other bee diseases
- Other non-mentioned effects

Day 2 - **The Role of Environment in the Quality of Bee Products**
- The effects of degraded natural environment
- The effects of high industrialization
- The effects of apiary location
- The effects of the apiary micro location
- The effects of altitude and latitude
- The effects of the overpopulation of flows
- The effects of bee flow type
- The effects of bee health
- The crucial role of bee products quality in apitherapy
- Other non-mentioned effects

Preliminary program

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**Official Language**: The official languages of the Symposium are English and Serbian. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Abstract submission

Deadline for abstract submission is **15. November 2011**.

Participants are invited to submit abstracts relating to any of the topics listed. The accepted abstracts will be published in the Book of Abstracts. Participants who are interested can send their entire work, to the following e-mail address: apiecotech2012@savacentar.net, within the 7 days of the received information of abstract acceptance. After reviewing it will be also published, entirely or partially in the Book of Abstracts.

Abstracts can be submitted exclusively through Symposium website: [www.apiecotech2012.com](http://www.apiecotech2012.com)
## Registration

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**Full registration includes:** entrance to the exhibition area (ApiExpo) and sessions during entire Symposium, Book of Abstracts and bag with symposium material, lunches for both days and transfers from Hotel Srbija to Sava Centar.

**Daily registration includes:** entrance to the exhibition area (ApiExpo) and session during that day, Book of Abstracts and bag with symposium material, lunch and transfers from Hotel Srbija to Sava Centar for that day.

**ApiExpo ticket includes:** entrance to the exhibition area for one day

**Symposium ticket includes:** entrance to session during that day.

* Country group 1 - South East Europe: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Macedonia, Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus (and other developing countries accepted by Apimondia. To see all the countries accepted by Apimondia, visit the website)
Hotel Accommodation

Symposium Secretariat has obtained special reduced prices for hotel accommodation in Continental Hotel Beograd and Hotel Srbija, for Symposium participants who have paid registration fee.

**Hotel Continental Beograd:** Standard single room (king-size bed) - 70 €; Superior single room (king-size bed) - 80 €; Standard twin bed room - 80 €; Superior twin bed room - 90 €
- All rates are per room, per night, with breakfast included (VAT included).

**Hotel Srbija:** Standard single room - 35 €; Standard twin bed room - 25 €
- All rates are per person, per night, with breakfast included (VAT included).

City tax of approximately 1.3 Euros per day is NOT included in the prices of accommodation. For more information about hotel accommodation please visit Symposium website: [www.apiecotech2012.com](http://www.apiecotech2012.com)

Sponsorship & Exhibition

During the Symposium an international commercial exhibition (ApiExpo) of beekeeping accessories, equipment and bee products will take place together with 4. Beekeeping State Fair, the most visited beekeeping event in the region, visited by 6-8 thousand beekeepers.

For more information on the exhibition and on sponsorship opportunities, please visit Symposium website or contact the Secretariat.

About Belgrade

Belgrade (Beograd), the capital of Serbia is situated in South-Eastern Europe, on the Balkan Peninsula, at the confluence of the Sava and Danube rivers. It has a continental climate, and due to its remarkably good geographical position it is appropriately called “the gate” of the Balkans.

Belgrade is also the capital of Serbian culture, education, science and economy. As a result of its tumultuous history, Belgrade has been a home to many nationalities for centuries. In the age of the Roman Empire it was called Singidunum and many years later, the name was changed into Belgrade, The White City. This name originates from the beautiful white stones from which Belgrade was made of.

When you find yourself in Belgrade, you will definitely be impressed by its soul and its history, of which the Serbs are very proud. There is no place in the world with such a natural combination of oriental passion and European finesse.
Social program

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**Serbian Evening- Gala Dinner**
Date: **Saturday, 18. February 2012.**
Time: **19.00h – 23.00 h**
Price: **30€**
For all Symposium participants Gala Dinner, with traditional Serbian music, will be organised in restaurant „Jezero“ (The Lake). The restaurant is located on the left bank of the Sava lake in the beautiful nature of Ada Ciganlija.

**Belgrade Sightseeing**
Date: **Sunday, 19. February 2012.**
Time: **10.00h – 14.00 h**
Price: **25€**
Discover Belgrade by walking the streets and enjoying the interesting story about Belgrade's history and architecture, told by our tour guide.
Tour: We will begin our tour by walking through the Kalemegdan Park, the largest green belt of Belgrade and Kalemegdan fortress, offering a beautiful view on the confluence of two rivers the Sava and Danube river (45 min). After this pleasant walk, we will visit the Cathedral, Palace of Princess Ljubica and visit one of the oldest buildings of Belgrade, Restaurant “?” (Question mark), which still keeps the interior typical for the Balkans. The next tour will take us towards municipality Dedinje and Senjak, the most elite and most peaceful part of Belgrade, where we are going to visit the palace complex of the Obrenovic and Karadjordjevic dynasty, Serbian kings and residencies from the nineteenth and early twentieth century. In a return we will visit the oldest city boulevard - the Grand Boulevard of Prince Milos. Next in a line to see will be Tito's park and tour around the residence, “House of Flowers”, where Tito, Yugoslav president, was buried. You will have the possibility to see a prestigious part of the center of Belgrade – municipality Vracar, the Park of Prince Karadjordje, with its numerous monuments, and magnificent building of the National Library. We will finish our tour by visiting the largest Orthodox church in the Balkans, the temple of Saint Sava.

**Technical Tour**
Date: **Monday, 20. February 2012**
Time: **8.00h-19.00h**
Price: **50€**
Visit to Zoran Kovacevic, professional beekeeper, Brestovik near Grocka (visit to the sampling apiary and premises for extracting and packing of honey and other bee products, sharing experiences in beekeeping technology and bee products placement)
Visit to Prof. Jovan Kulincevic's Queen Selection Center in the village Vranic (presentation of the thirty-year-old queen selection by the world’s most famous Serbian scientist, who worked at the Ohio University, USA, for 16 years)
Visit to the professional beekeeper Goran Tomic in the village Kosjeric (introduction to the modern technology of beekeeping with eight low frame hive, the technology of obtaining comb honey and extracted honey with the least risks).
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