INTERNATIONAL FUSARIUM WILT OF LETTUCE SYMPOSIUM
Pivot Point Conference Center -- Yuma, Arizona

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2015
5:30-6:30 PM  Hosted Social Mixer/Reception; Registration Opens – Sponsored by Taylor Farms
Anza/Redondo Rooms

Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015  MAIN CONFERENCE – Colorado River.Castle Rooms
6 AZ/CA Pesticide Applicator & PCA and 5.5 CCA approved CEUs

8:00 AM  Registration and Continental Breakfast
Sponsored by Greater Yuma Economic Development Corporation
8:30 AM  Welcome and Conference Overview
Paul Brierley, Director, Yuma Center of Excellence for Desert Agriculture
8:45 AM  Session 1: A Global Overview of Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce
Moderator: Barry Pryor, University of Arizona
1. 8:45 AM - “Fusarium Wilt on Vegetables and Lettuce: Importance, Diagnostics and Challenges”
   Steven Koike, University of California Cooperative Extension, Monterey County
2. 9:03 AM - “Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce in Japan: Applications in Integrated Disease Management” - Masashi Fujinaga, Nagano Prefecture Agricultural Experiment Station
3. 9:21 AM - “Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce: The Arizona Story”
   Mike Matheron, University of Arizona
4. 9:39 AM - “Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce in Europe”
   Lodovica Gullino, Agroinnova Research Center, University of Turin, Italy
5. 9:57 AM - “Managing Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce in Brazil”
   Ainton Reis, EMBRAPA, Brazil

10:15 AM  Networking Snack Break - Sponsored by the Yuma Fresh Vegetable Association
10:30 AM  Session 2: Tools for Management of Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce
Moderator: Dr. Mike Matheron, University of Arizona
1. 10:30 AM - “Factors Influencing Severity of Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce in California”
   Tom Gordon, University of California, Davis
2. 10:48 AM - “Detection, Management & Impact of Seedborne Inoculum on Fusarium Wilt of Lettuce” - Barry Pryor, University of Arizona
3. 11:06 AM - “Fusarium Wilt Management in Organic Production/Biocontrol”
   Lodovica Gullino, Agroinnova Research Center, University of Turin, Italy
4. 11:24 AM - “Genetics and Genomics of Disease Resistance in Lettuce with Particular Reference to Fusarium Wilt Resistance” - Richard Michelmore, University of CA, Davis
5. 11:42 AM - “USDA Breeding Efforts and Successes to Date”
   Jim McCreight, USDA Salinas Research Station

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12:00 PM  Networking Lunch – Sponsored by Tanimura & Antle - Gila/Southern Pacific Room

12:45 PM  Session 3: Colorado River/Castle Rooms
Practical Management Strategies: Successes and Failures from the Field
  Moderator: Kurt Nolte, University of Arizona

Grower/Industry Panel:
  Clark Webb, Product Development, The Dune Company
  Hank Giclas, VP, Strategic Planning, Science & Technology, Western Growers Association
  Jesus Tovar, Owner, T&P Farms
  Larry Knerr, Director of Research & Development, 3 Star Lettuce
  Mary Zischke, CEO, California Leafy Greens Research Program
  Matt McGuire, General Manager, JV Farms

2:15 PM  Bus Leaves for Field Trip to Fusarium Wilt Variety Trial
2:45 PM  Visit Fusarium Wilt Variety Trial
4:00 PM  Bus Tour of Yuma Agriculture
5:00 PM  Bus Returns to Conference Center
6:00 PM  Hosted Reception and Dinner – Sponsored by JV Farms, Barkley Ag Enterprises
  and Gowan Co. - Quartermaster Depot

Friday, Nov. 13, 2015  BRAINSTORMING SESSION – INVITATION ONLY

  8:00 AM  Continental Breakfast – Colorado River Room
  8:30 AM  Review of Day 1; Overview of Day 2
  8:45 AM  Facilitated Brainstorming Session
  Defining the most promising near-term solutions/management tools and an
  overarching initiative to accomplish them (including project partners and
  funding resources)
  11:30 AM  Symposium Wrap-up and Adjourn

For more information and free registration:  http://yceda.cals.arizona.edu  (Register by October 18th)
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