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OTTO APPEL COMMEMORATIVE COIN 2020 GOES TO GEORG F. BACKHAUS, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE JULIUS KÜHN INSTITUTE



The long-standing president of the Julius Kühn Institute (JKI) and before that of the Federal Biological Research Centre for Agriculture and Forestry (BBA), **Dr. Georg F. Backhaus**, was awarded the **Otto Appel Commemorative Coin** for his services in the field of German phytomedicine and integrated pest management. Backhaus, who retired in January 2019, thus receives the highest honor bestowed by German plant protection.

The Otto Appel Commemorative Coin is awarded to outstanding personalities in the field of integrated pest management in Germany. During his successful work, Dr. Backhaus has rendered outstanding services to integrated pest management. His extensive experience in the field of agriculture, applied science, policy advice and the regulatory

requirements of integrated pest management made him a prudent and competent facilitator acting in a complex environment. Complex in terms of the numerous disciplines of phytomedicine and integrated plant management, but also diverse in terms of the players active in this sector, ranging from politicians, ministries and authorities science, industry and practical farming. Dr. Backhaus, as a bridge builder recognized by all sides, has made a significant contribution to the cohesion of this heterogeneous sector. At the biennial German Plant Protection Conferences and the annual meetings of the German Plant Protection Service under his leadership, he has repeatedly provided decisive impulses and promoted networking. Against this background, the "big family of integrated pest management" in Germany owes much to Dr. Backhaus.

With effect from 1 January 2008, the Julius Kühn Institute (JKI), Federal Research Centre for Cultivated Plants, was founded with headquarters in Quedlinburg. Dr. Backhaus, who had previously headed the BBA as president, was appointed President of the JKI and held this position until his retirement on 31 December 2018. His expertise was much in demand in both national and international professional circles. The following are selected examples from the list of committees and advisory boards in which he served:

- Bioeconomy Council of the Federal government
- Scientific advisory board for the National Action Plan for the Sustainable Use of Plant Protection Products (NAP)
- German Maize Committee (board and chair of the Committee for Plant Protection)
- Committee for Plant Protection of the German Agricultural Society (DLG)
- Scientific advisory board of the Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR)
- Scientific advisory board of the Society for the Promotion of German Plant Breeding
- Scientific advisory board of the German Horticultural Society 1822
- Scientific advisory board of the Horticultural Competence Centre (KoGa), University of Bonn
- Senate of the Federal Research Institutes in the portfolio of the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL)

Dr. Backhaus was also actively involved in professional associations and scientific organizations, examples here include:

- German Phytomedicine Society (DPG) (9 years on the board)
- German Society for Horticultural Science (DGG)
- International Society for Horticultural Sciences (ISHS)
- Federal Association of University Graduates in Horticulture and Landscape Management
- German Society of Applied Botany.

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FIRST MEETING OF LATIN AMERICAN ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETIES



With the title “Sobre insectos y otros artrópodos” (“On insects and other arthropods”), the first meeting of the Latin American Entomological Societies was held on August 13, 2020, using the platform of the Instituto Nacional de Biodiversidad de Ecuador. It was proposed and organized by the Sociedad Entomológica

Ecuatoriana (SEE), under the auspices of the Federación de Entomología Latino Americana

(FELA).

Presidents and delegates of the nine member societies of FELA actively participated in the virtual meeting, covering information about each society, foundation year, number of active members, vision and mission, objectives, organization and funding, activities, journals and networking.

The program included:

1. Welcome by SEE Executive Director, Diego Bastidas
2. Presentation of FELA by President, María Stella Zerbino
3. Presentation of the nine member societies:
 - a. Sociedad Entomológica de Brasil (SEB), Eliane D. Quintela
 - b. Sociedad Entomológica Argentina (SEA), Lucía Claps
 - c. Sociedad Boliviana de Entomología (SBE), Jaime Rodríguez
 - d. Sociedad Colombiana de Entomología (SOCOLEN), Nelson A. Canal
 - e. Sociedad Chilena de Entomología (SCHE), Viviana Rada Chaparro
 - f. Sociedad Entomológica Ecuatoriana (SEE), Diego Inclan
 - g. Sociedad Mexicana de Entomología (SME), Juana María Coronado
 - h. Sociedad Panameña de Entomología (SEPAM), Bruno Zachrisson
 - i. Sociedad Entomológica del Perú (SEP), Norma Nolasco
4. Round of questions
5. Closing remarks, Diego Bastidas and María Stella Zerbino

The meeting was simultaneously transmitted on You Tube Live and Facebook Live, with 2600 live views: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tf_7OTN9CVw
<https://www.facebook.com/InstitutoNacionalDeBiodiversidadEcuador/videos/947805292362283/>

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UPDATE: SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF BIOLOGICAL CONTROL (ICBC2)

The Second International Congress of Biological Control will be organized **as an on-site conference** in Davos, Switzerland, April 26-30, 2021. The Scientific Committee has evaluated all proposals submitted for scientific sessions and panel discussion topics, which resulted in the acceptance of 30 scientific sessions conducted in a format of six blocks of each 5 concurrent sessions. Besides this broad range of scientific sessions, we will have seven exciting and engaging panel discussions which will be conducted as plenary sessions. These panel discussions will be live streamed and therefore also available for download to registered participants to allow virtual attendees to follow. In terms of health and safety precautions, our professional partner the Davos Congress Centre will make sure that the necessary national binding precautionary measures will be followed. Thanks to the extensive premises, the diverse infrastructure and technical capabilities, we are able to offer the appropriate framework conditions to conduct ICBC2.

Registration

You will have to register first in order to submit a paper online:

<https://www.iobc-icbc.com/index.php?cat=registration>

Please note: all potential speakers as well as chairs for the scientific sessions will have to register and pay registration fee. However, you will only have to settle the payment for early registration starting on the 20th of October 2020. This provides you and the proposed speakers the opportunity to register and to submit a paper without the usual required payment and at the same time this indicates to IOBC and CABI as the organizing organizations how many of you are interested to attend at an early stage in the planning process.

Session topics have been selected and are published on the webpage:

<https://www.iobc-icbc.com/index.php?cat=sessions>

Please ensure that your registration and submission must arrive by **Friday 9 October 2020** at the very latest in order to take advantage of the early registration fee (see registration fee details also on <https://www.iobc-icbc.com/index.php>).

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It seeks to provide a global umbrella for the plant protection sciences to facilitate and promote the application of the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach to the world's crop and forest ecosystems.

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