

## 7th Australasian Soilborne Diseases Symposium

The first Australasian Soilborne Diseases Symposium was held on the Gold Coast in 1999, and was followed by successful meetings at Lorne, the Barossa Valley, Christchurch, Thredbo and Queensland's Sunshine Coast. The seventh symposium will be held at another enticing venue in Fremantle on the Indian Ocean coast at the mouth of the Swan River. The symposium session will be presented over two and a half days finishing with lunch on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

Planning for the symposium is well advanced, and a stimulating and forward-looking program is being developed. Keynote and invited papers will be presented on topics that are vital to improving soil health and reducing crop losses from soilborne diseases. There will be both poster and contributed paper sessions, so all those participating in the meeting will have the opportunity to present their research results and discuss them with other delegates.

The attractiveness of this meeting is its breadth. It encourages interaction between people working in a wide range of fields, including fungal, bacterial and nematode pathogens; field crops and horticulture; microbial ecology and molecular biology; chemical and biological control; and integrated pest and disease management.

This is a conference that should not be missed, so register now and join us in Fremantle during 17 - 20 September 2012.

## Program

Proposed symposium and social and field excursion program

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday 17th September			Welcome reception Western Australia
Tuesday 18th September			

Session 1 Keynote address -	
<u>Dr Robin Oliver</u>	
"Chemical control and fate of soil applied chemicals"	
Session 2 Bayer Crop Protection Session invited address (Susan Cross)	

Session 3	Offered papers (theme to be determined)
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## About the Program

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Session 4 Offered papers (theme to be determined)

Informal small group dinner

Maya Indian Restaurant, 75-77 Market St, Fremantle

(Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at registration desk on Monday).

[For more details and the menu click here](#)

Wednesday 19th September

Session 5 Keynote address -

Dr Timothy Paulitz

"Biological suppression of fungal root disease"

Invited address - Dr Graham Stirling

"Biological suppression of Root lesion nematode"

Session 6	Invited & offered papers	Keynote	theme
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Session 7	Offered papers (theme to be determined)
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Session 8	Offered papers (theme to be determined)
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Thursday 20th September	Session 9	Keynote address - Dr Sabine Ravnskov
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"Beneficial interactions between plants and soil microbes"

Session 10	Invited & offered papers on Keynote theme
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Invited address - Prof Lyn Abbott

"A local perspective on beneficial microflora - Mycorrhizal fungi

Invited address - Prof John Helder **FIELD EXCURSION** "A local perspective on beneficial microflora - Rhizobacteria"

Including broad-acre crops, horticulture and native ecosystems

**FIELD EXCURSION**  
New Norcia - overnight accommodation

Friday 21st September	<b>FIELD EXCURSION</b>	. Including broad-acre crops, horticulture and native ecosystems
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