



9th BACSA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

“Sericulture preservation and revival – problems and prospects”

“SERIVIVAL” 2019

Batumi, Georgia

April 7th –12th 2019

Letter of Open Invitation

1st announcement

30th January 2019

Dear Colleagues,

The 9th BACSA international conference **“Sericulture preservation and revival – problems and prospects” “SERIVIVAL” 2019** will be held at Batumi, Georgia from 7th to 12th April 2019.

The Ministry of agriculture of the Georgian autonomous Republic of Adjara and Georgian Academy of Agricultural Sciences are hosting the meeting in collaboration with the Black, Caspian Seas and Central Asia Silk Association (BACSA).

In present days the main problems of the most European, Caucasus and Central Asian BACSA member countries is how to preserve and revive the sericulture.

On the other hand, even though more than 40 countries in the World deal with sericulture now, about 90 % of those countries only make efforts to preserve it and only few of them to revive the

sericultural industries. Even in the countries, the biggest World cocoon and silk producers now there are entire regions where the sericultural activities have been partly or even completely stopped and the sericulture may be lost.

Therefore the sericulture preservation and revival is not only a BACSA countries local problem, but a Global problem as well.

In this respect the conference organizers would appreciate presenting contributions on the main Conference topic as well as country reports, science and technology papers in the field of silkworms, cocoon and silk production, pathology, breeding and bacology, using silkworm and mulberry for non-textile purposes, post-cocoon technologies, silk enterprise and trade.

Exhibition sessions will also be organized for equipment/tools and sericultural products.

Those who require a personalized letter of invitation for the purpose of travel documents to Georgia may wish to contact:

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The conference hosts recommend as a best travel route by air through Istanbul directly to Batumi.

Updated information about the forthcoming event as well as other activities in sericulture industry development you may find at the BACSA web site: www.bacsa-silk.org.

Hoping that we will meet at The 9th BACSA international conference SERIVIVAL 2019, the Organizers send you their best wishes!

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Panomir Tzenov



President, Black, Caspian Seas and Central Asia Silk Association (BACSA)

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PROGRAMME

Organizing committee:

President: Prof. Dr P. Tzenov, President of BACSA and Director of Scientific Center on Sericulture under the Bulgarian Agricultural Academy.

Vice-president: Prof. Dr. Elgudja Shapakidze, Georgian Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Tbilisi, Georgia

Members:

Mr. MAMUKA TURMANIDZE, Vice Minister, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC OF ADJARA, Georgia

Dr. Evripidis Kipriotis, BACSA vice president for Europe, Greece

Dr. Homid Homidy, BACSA vice president for Central Asia and Caucasus, Uzbekistan, presently International consultant in Rwanda

Dr. Maria Ichim, General manager, Institute for Bioengineering, Biotechnology and Environmental Protection, Bucharest, Romania

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yusif Shukurlu, Director, Regional Scientific Center of Sheki, Sheki, Azerbaijan

Prof. Dr. Dimitar Grekov, Agricultural University, Plovdiv, Bulgaria

Mr. Durmush Yilmaz, Kozabirlik sericultural cooperative, Bursa, Turkey

Scientific committee

Prof. Dr. E. Shapakidze

Dr. S. Cappelozza

Prof. Dr. S. Madyarov

Prof. Dr. P. Tzenov

Venue and Dates:

HILTONBATUMI hotel, Batumi, Georgia

Programme (tentative):

6th and 7nd April, Saturday and Sunday

Arrival of the participants at Tbilisi international airport, meeting and transfer them to Batumi by the local hosting institution, check in at **HILTONBATUMI hotel** and registration.

8th April, Monday

9:00 – 9:30 registration.

9:30 – 10:00 opening ceremony.

10:00 – 12:00 Sericulture preservation and revival – problems and prospects, Session 1

12:00 – 12:30 visit the sericulture exhibition.

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 14:30 Sericulture preservation and revival – problems and prospects, Session 2

14:30 – 16:00 Country reports on sericulture session 1 – background, present status, problems, issues and development strategies

16:00 – 18:00 scientific – technical reports session 1

20:00 Welcoming Dinner

9th April, Tuesday

Technical and study tour visits. Lunch during the tour.

10th April, Wednesday

9:00 – 12:30 scientific – technical reports session 2

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 14:30 Posters session

14:30 – 15:30 BACSA Executive committee meeting

20:00 Dinner

11th April, Thursday

Visit some amazing places in and around Batumi.

Lunch during the tour, farewell dinner.

12th April, Friday

Closing the conference

Departure

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Registration Form

To be sent attached by the e-mail to **Ms. Nargiz Bejanidze** with copy to Prof. Dr. Panomir Tzenov.

Closing for submission: **March 1st 2019**

Language

English and Russian with translation provided.

Call for papers

Participants who wish to present papers are invited to submit an abstract first. The abstracts must be written in English and sent to Prof. Dr. Panomir Tzenov by the e-mail, with the Abstract Submission Form.

Closing for abstract submission: **March 1st 2019**

Papers: In formats of A4, single line, Times New Roman, font 12, the text not exceeding 15 pages (tables and figures included), in English; MS-Word file (s) e-mail-attached. The papers should be sent to Prof. Dr P. Tzenov by the e-mail.

Deadline for the paper submission: **March 1st 2019**

Each paper, submitted to the conference will be reviewed by the Scientific committee and if necessary returned back to the authors for revision. Those papers who do not meet the requirements for scientific novelty and contributions may be cancelled for publication in the conference proceedings.

Registration fee: 300 US\$/person

The registration fee includes: 1) transfer from the Tbilisi or Batumi or Kutaisi airport to the conference venue and back; 2) 4 lunches; 3) 5 dinners; 4) technical and study tour visits; 5) Conference materials (abstract book and gadgets); 6) access to the sericulture products exhibition; 7) Publishing paper(s) in the Conference proceedings and uploading them on the BACSA web site.

The registration fee does not include the hotel accommodation costs.

The registration fee is the same amount both for Conference participants and accompanying persons!

The registration fee should be transferred to the bank account below no later than **March 1st 2019**:

For the payment in US\$:

Intermediary Bank Code:	BAGAGE22
Intermediary Bank Name:	JSC BANK OF GEORGIA
Beneficiary Bank Code:	TEBAGE22
Beneficiary Bank Name:	JSC "terabank"
Beneficiary Account:	GE38KS000000036080 1139
Beneficiary Name:	Ganvitarebis Akademia

When they pay this fee, the participants are asked to specify on the payment order, at "Payment details", the family and the first name and the text "Registration fee Conference".

If anybody needs some additional details on the payment modalities of the participation fee, please contact:

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Commercial Opportunities include:

- Exhibition;
- Advertisement in the Conference Programme and Exhibition;
- Buyer-seller meetings.

Hotel accommodation

HILTONBATUMI hotel, Batumi, Georgia

Weather:

The first half of April is considered as early spring season in Georgia. Average day temperature ranges usually 10 - 15° C, even sometimes to 20 – 25 ° C, so it's advisable to have winter cloths as well.

Currency: The Georgian currency is Lari (code: GEL), the rate is around 1 Lari = 0.35 EUR

Travel: The foreign conference participants may take flight to Tbilisi international airport, where the local hosting institution will arrange their meeting at the airport and transfer to conference venue and back to the airport. The travel details should be strictly indicated in the Registration form.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Registration Form – by March 1st 2019

Abstract submission form – by March 1st 2019

Registration fee: by March 1st 2019

Papers – by March 1st 2019