The International Society for Plant Molecular Farming 2020 conference will take place in Rome on 8-10 June. The ENEA Biotechnology and Agroindustry Division is proud and honoured to be hosting the Society's 4th biennial meeting, building on previous successes in Berlin, Ghent and Helsinki.

In the modern landmark setting of Roma EUR district, delegates from around the world, representing both public and private research institutions, will meet to discuss the current state of research into recombinant and small endogenous plant-derived molecules for plant-based drugs and nutraceuticals.

Over the next two years, the area of new biologics is expected to exceed $100 billion in market size. New technologies can provide novel or improved versions of existing drugs while accelerating time to market and opening the sector to new participants. The "green revolution" is also emerging in this sector and plants and plant cells as hosts are taking off in applications where the advantages over conventional eukaryotic expression systems make plant factories the preferred choice.

A special issue of ‘Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology’ will be open to contributors to the 4th ISPMF conference, providing readers with a complete summary of the most important achievements and progress in plant molecular farming. There will be a special 20% discount on the publication fee and remaining costs can be waived for participants from developing countries.
Important Dates:

- **March 31**: Submission deadline for oral and poster presentations
- **March 31**: Deadline for applying ISPMF bursaries
- **April 24**: Notification of presentation acceptance
- **April 30**: Notification of ISPMF bursaries
- **May 8**: Deadline for registration
- **June 1**: Final program released
- **June 8-10**: Conference

We solicit abstracts for oral talks and for posters to be sent to [ispmf2020@enea.it](mailto:ispmf2020@enea.it)

**Requirement for bursary applications:** ISPMF membership.

Send your abstract, 2-page CV and a motivation letter to Kirsi-Marja.Oksman@vtt.fi

**Registration Fees:**

- Member: 260 Euro
- Non-Member: 310 Euro
- Student: 210 Euro
- Accompanying person: 110 Euro

Registration fees include:
- Admission to the scientific program
- Conference Refreshments and lunches
- Social Gala Dinner

**Conference info:**


Social Gala Dinner:

All participants will meet on the evening of June 9th for a Gala Dinner in the heart of the city, in the splendid setting of the Roman Forum. Participants will enjoy a full-fledged gourmet dinner on the roof of the “Assicurazioni Generali” neo-Renaissance building, facing the Vittoriano national monument, located in Piazza Venezia, 11.