

Meeting the Challenge: Preventing, Detecting, and Controlling Invasive Plants

University of Washington Botanic Gardens, Seattle, WA

September 16-17, 2014

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Deadline extended to May 16, 2014

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Submit an abstract for presentations and posters by May 16th, 2014 to:

InvasivePlantsConf@gmail.com



The Conference Steering Committee will be accepting abstracts for oral and poster presentations **January 13 through May 16, 2014**. The conference sessions will focus on the latest advances in technology for controlling invasive plants, the impacts and ecological interactions of invasive plants in a diversity of ecosystems, the development and utilization of mapping tools and databases in prediction and early detection, and determination of the potential pathways and vectors of invasive plant introduction.

The 2-day conference will include a keynote address by Dr. Dan Simberloff, three concurrent sessions that include invited and contributed oral presentations and a poster session. If you would like to share your relevant experiences, data and knowledge, please submit an abstract to the e-mail noted above. All abstracts should be submitted with the identified session (s) for which your presentation is best suited. Visit the [conference website](#) for more information on the sessions.

Session Topics

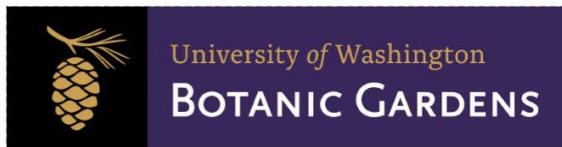
Session A – Controlling Invasive Plants

Session B – Ecological Interactions and Impacts

Session C – Prediction, Early Detection, and Mapping

Session D – Pathways, Vectors, and Prevention

Session E – Poster Session



Abstract Requirements and Guidelines

Please adhere to the following guidelines when preparing your abstract for an oral presentation or poster:

- Subject matter of presentations and posters should have a clear connection to preventing, detecting, and controlling invasive plants. All presenters should discuss the relevance of the research/work to management of invasive plants.
- Subject matter should be within the geographic region of northwestern North America (Yukon, British Columbia, Alberta, AK, MT, ID, OR, WA). If research or topics fall outside of this region, abstracts should have a clear connection to preventing, detecting, and controlling invasive plants in northwestern North America (example: lessons learned in X system has broader implications to management issues in northwestern North America because...). If this criterion is NOT met abstracts may not be selected.
- Oral presentations will be limited to 20 minutes, with 15 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions.
- Abstracts for research presentations should include specific information about the results and conclusions of the study.

Abstract Formatting

Items 1-8 below need to be incorporated within the submitted abstract document in an attachment to an e-mail.

Abstracts that do not include items 1-8 may be rejected.

- 1) Title.
- 2) Full names of all authors and affiliation information for each author (note if you are a student and what school you are affiliated with). Underline the presenter's name.
- 3) Presenter's contact information, including name, address, e-mail address and phone number.
- 4) The abstract body should be 250 words or less. Give a clear statement of the subject, problem or objectives, give brief methods and major results if a research talk, and end with a substantive conclusion.
- 5) Give a brief description (1 to 2 sentences) of the talk for the conference program.
- 6) Identify the session(s) for which your presentation is best suited.
- 7) Indicate oral presentation or poster presentation preference. For poster presentations, please limit the size of the poster to standard 4 x 3 feet.
- 8) The abstract should be submitted electronically as an attachment in Microsoft Word document. E-mail your abstract with the subject line "Abstract for 2014 conference" to InvasivePlantsConf@gmail.com.

Abstract Review Process

Abstracts will be reviewed by the Steering Committee, composed of professionals with extensive experience in plant conservation in academic, government, and private sector employment. Submitted abstracts will be allocated to contributed talk sessions, poster presentations, or rejected. If your abstract cannot be accommodated as an oral presentation due to time constraints, you will be notified as soon as possible so that you will have ample time to prepare a poster.

Oral Presentations

If your abstract is selected for an oral presentation, you will be notified with an acceptance email by **June 6, 2014**. All oral presentation rooms will be equipped with a laptop computer and projector. Detailed information and instructions will be provided to presenters approximately two months prior to the conference.

Registration

Presenters should register for the meeting by **July 31, 2014**. **All presenters are responsible for paying registration fees.** Questions about the **registration process** can be directed to Sasha McGuire at (206) 685-8033 or urbhort@uw.edu

Questions about the abstract submission and general questions can be directed to the conference e-mail: InvasivePlantsConf@gmail.com.