# APIMONDIA NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2023



#### 48<sup>th</sup> Apimondia Congress in Santiago, Chile - 4 to 8 September 2023

The 48<sup>th</sup> Apimondia Congress is just round the corner! The Local Organising Committee, the scientific committees, Conmark and Apimondia have worked hard to bring you a fantastic event here in Santiago. We hope you will enjoy the talks and roundtables and catch up with old friends and make a few new ones as well.

The ApiExpo will have numerous vendors for you to enjoy and see the latest in beekeeping equipment and innovations.

Lastly, we all hope you plan to see more of Chile beyond Santiago. Our technical tours can give you a taste of Chilean beekeeping but more awaits you if you have more days to explore the diverse, beautiful landscapes of Chile.

The Opening Ceremony will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 16:00, followed by the official opening of ApiExpo.

870 Abstracts has been received.

#### Download the final scientific programme

122 exhibitors from 42 countries have booked space at the ApiExpo and more are in the process of reservation.

The importation of honeys for the WBA has been allowed.

Registration Desks will be in service as below:

03 September	11:00 - 19:00
04, 05, 06, 07, 08 September	08:30 - 18:30

Read more: <u>www.apimondia2023.com</u>

## The General Assembly of Apimondia

Apimondia is a Federation with Member Associations from 79 countries.

At each Congress there is a General Assembly where the Members are informed about the institutional activities of the Federation and where the Members discuss and have the possibility to make important decisions according to the Statutes on the activities to be carried out.

The call for the General Assembly has already been sent to all Members. Members wishing to attend the meeting must have by now sent the information about their delegates.

- The first session of the General Assembly will take place on Tuesday 5 September 2023, at 15:30 hrs in Hall A of Espacio Riesco Centro de Eventos y Convenciones.
- The second session of the General Assembly will take place on Friday 8 September 2023, at 17:00 hrs, again in Espacio Riesco Centro de Eventos y Convenciones.

At the General Assembly this year there are important topics on the table:

- amendments to the Statutes,
- approval of the accounts and the workplan for the next biennium,
- election of new officers to several positions in the Executive Council,
- election of the venue for the 50<sup>th</sup> Apimondia Congress in 2027.

Learn the details by asking the representative from your organisation.

### Latest news and activities

#### Apimondia Statement on "Vegan Honey"

The Apimondia Statement on so-called "Vegan Honey" (VH) is the official position of Apimondia regarding these types of products that use the word "honey". This Statement aims at clarifying concepts for authorities, manufacturers, traders, retailers, supermarkets, consumers and other stakeholders of the honey trade chain about the definition of honey and the implications of the misuse of the name "honey". It aims at explaining all aspects to the consumers, so they are not misled but rather understand the huge differences between 'honey' and what is called 'vegan honey'.

#### Find the full statement in English and Spanish

# Apimondia Working Group on "Adverse effects of agrochemicals and bee medicines on bees"

The Working Group is running an ongoing international survey on registration of toxicity events on honey bee colonies (since 2014!).

As the struggle against poisonous pesticides continues, please do not forget to register any toxicity events of your bees in <u>this form</u>

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