CALL FOR PAPERS

INVITATION
TO PARTICIPATE AT THE

5th AMERICAN RABBIT CONGRESS
“Sustainable rabbit production for food security in America”

WHICH WILL BE HELD AT
TOLUCA, ESTADO DE MÉXICO, MÉXICO

September 8th to 11th, 2014.

This is an extremely prestigious meeting, which is held once every 4 years and has been running in different international locations. It brings together the global community of scientists conducting research on various scientific aspects of rabbit production, and this time is making emphasis on the sustainability for food security in America.

The congress will be held at:

Centro Cultural Mexiquense. Address: Boulevard Jesús Reyes Heroles 302, San Buenaventura, Toluca, Estado de México.

Objectives:

Facilitate the exchange of knowledge and experiences between members and all those who are interested in the American Branch World Rabbit Science Association (AB – WRSA), currently working in America and all over the world, contributing to the advancement of the various scientific aspects of rabbit production.

Present the most recent advances in basic and applied research as well as innovation in the rabbit production systems for meat, leather and fur in America and all over the world.

At the post-congress, diffuse the science, technology and innovation advances to producers, in order to promote efficiency in all the production processes, industrialization, marketing and promoting the consumption of rabbit meat in our continent.
BASES

The 5th American Rabbit Congress welcomes papers from scientists and academics, including professors and students, and industry practitioners assigned to Research Centers or Universities. Non-presenting participants are also welcome. Papers in the following areas of knowledge and related fields are welcome:

1. Ethology, Housing & Welfare
2. Genetics
3. Reproduction
4. Digestive Physiology and Basic Nutrition
5. Feed Evaluation and Feeding
6. Pathology & Hygiene
7. Meat Quality, Safety & Dining
8. Management, Social & Economics

INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS

Official language to present full manuscripts and posters | English
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Dead line for full manuscripts and poster abstract submissions | From the date of publication of the present invitation until May 30th, 2014.
Written papers for oral presentations and posters will be revised by a Scientific Committee. | Results will be communicated by July 1st, 2014.
Program will be published at: veterinaria.uaemex.mx | August 1st, 2014.
Oral presentations during the congress | English, Portuguese and Spanish language sessions will be offered

SHARE THIS CALL

We request that you kindly share this call with your colleagues and all those interested in rabbit production.

Conference registration fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. At least one author per paper must register and pay the registration fees. All attending authors must register and pay the registration fee.
MANUSCRIPTS ORGANIZATION AND FORMAT

All manuscripts must be written in English. Manuscripts should be submitted by mail to cunicultores@yahoo.com.mx, yazminyefp@yahoo.com and rcanot@uaemex.mx, from the date of publication and until May 30th, 2014.

Manuscripts must be sent in word processor Microsoft Word (doc extension). Each manuscript must be written on one side of a letter size paper (8.5 x 11 inches), it must be written in one column layout with 1.5 spaces between lines, margins must be 2.5 cm at all sides. All written works must be integrated as follows:

Title: Everything in bold capital letters, Times New Roman, size 13 centered.

Author(s): Last full name, first and middle name initials, all capital letters, bold and font Times New Roman, size 12, centered.

Address: Following the order of the authors, in the left margin, Arabic numerals for each author must be enclosed followed by a semi-script, Institution’s name and address, as fully as possible, indicating the country at the end of the address, followed by the author’s e-mail, in italics, font Times New Roman, size 11, aligning text to the left. Add numbers for each institution as a superscript before the names of the authors to indicate the affiliation of each. Each different institutional affiliation should be written on separate lines.

Text must contain: summary (in 350 characters, including material, method, results and conclusions), and a maximum of six key words, Introduction, Material, Method, Results and Discussion, Conclusions and References.

All text must be written with 1.5 line spacing, everything must be justified without indents with Times New Roman font, size 12 points; except the legends or feet of tables and figures, which must be written with font size 10 and must be centered under each figure. Scientific names should be written in italics. Subheadings must be centered and in bold. All units of measure will be included according to the international system of measurement.

All tables, graphs and pictures to be included must be in black and white. Each figure must be numbered according to how they will appear within the text (additional files are not required). Arabic numerals must be used. The titles of the tables and / or figures must be written at the bottom of each one, using Times New Roman, bold and size 10. Figures’ size will be 100mm high by 120mm wide; the titles will be placed at the bottom of the figure, followed by the explanation. Avoid the use of midtones and frames for figures. The same uniform style should be maintained in all figures throughout the text, similar to the rest of the body text. Figures should be saved in TIFF or JPG format. Power-Point and Word graphics are unsuitable for reproduction. Photographs, drawings and graphs should be clear and of high quality for publication. Place each figure as you want them to be included within the text, not at the end of the manuscript.
References will be added in the last paragraph, in alphabetical order starting with the last name of the first author, single spaced without indents. Each reference must include the following: Last name (s) of the first author followed by the name (s) initial, adding a period after the authors’ initials, separating each author by a comma. Then the names and initials of the rest of the authors are placed. Then, place the year of publication (no brackets). The title of the article. Abbreviations of the journal, volume (volume number), and page numbers.

Examples:


POSTER FORMAT AND ORGANIZATION

Poster abstract submission dead line is on May 30th, 2014.
All participating posters must contain:

Title: Everything in bold capital letters, Times New Roman, size 13 centered.

Author(s): First full name, middle initial and last name, all capital letters, bold and font Times New Roman, size 12, centered.

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Summary: in 350 characters including material, method, results and conclusions, and include a maximum of 6 keywords.
POSTER DESIGN

1. At the top of the poster placed the title, author(s), institution to which they belong and full contact (e-mail, address, phone and fax) data, as stated above in the manuscript format, except for the size font.

2. Printed poster size must be 90 X 120 cm, in paper.

3. Text content must be easy to read at a distance of 1.5m and have a logical sequence, all subtitles of different sections should be highlighted such as: introduction, methodology, results and conclusion. It is suggested to emphasize in the results and include tables and / or figures.

4. Suggestions for title size are 2.5 cm and 0.5 cm for text letters. The paintings, drawings and illustrations may be of the same format used for slides, with distinct lines, use of color can add emphasis to important points of your presentation. Any figure or table should have a title and a detailed explanation of it at the bottom.

5. The poster should include at least 3 references and a maximum of 10, placed at the lower right corner with a smaller letter type.

REGISTRATION AND EVALUATION OF POSTERS AND MANUSCRIPTS

Contact one of the following people, indicating the participation mode (oral or poster) and knowledge area in which you wish to participate:

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REGISTRATION RATES

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<td>Full Congress WRSA Members</td>
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<td>Full Congress Non WRSA Members: (students with valid credential, organized producers showing evidence supported by the president of their association)</td>
<td>70 USD 932 MXP</td>
<td>90 USD 1,198 MXP</td>
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**Full Congress Rates include:** Congress + Post- Congress, CD memory with SBN, Certificate of Assistance and coffee break. 
**only for the first 150 registered** the rate includes a portfolio.

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REGISTRATION PAYMENT:

a) **BANK DEPOSIT:** BANAMEX, Sucursal 520, N° de Cuenta 05207596495 Cbe. Interbancaria 002420052075964956  Payment must be done to: Universidad Autónoma del Estado de México

b) **ON THE CONGRESS DATE:** at the registration desk

**Important:** Please send by e-mail a copy of the bank deposit (Boucher or ticket) showing the date and the bank stamp, write on the bank slip full data of the payer, if an invoice is required, please add the 16% taxes rate.

**At the date of the event you must show the original payment record.**

**MAXIMUM CAPACITY:** 600 assistants
COMPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES

WELCOME COCKTAIL

MAGISTRAL LECTURES

GOURMET SAMPLE: September 8th to 11th  14:00 a 15:00 Hrs
Culinary schools, Cámara Nacional de la Industria de Restaurantes y Alimentos Condimentados (CANIRAC) and rabbit producers are involved.

ARTISTIC EVENTS:  September 8th to 11th

AB – WRSA ASSAMBLY

ANALYSIS AND PROPOSAL FORUM:
Challenges & opportunities for cuniculture in America
(free topics: sustainable models, corporate models, producer organizations, scientific organizations, development of local markets, public policies promotion)

POST- CONGRESS FOR PRODUCERS:
September 11th

GUIDED VISIT TO HISTORIC AND CULTURAL SITES:
September 11th  Teotihuacán & Valle de Bravo
Meet at the headquarters hotel at 7:00 am  (bring drinking water and cap or hat)
The conference has the following hotels for delegates at conference rates.

**HEADQUARTERS HOTEL**

**FIESTA INN TOLUCA CENTRO**
Colonia Centro, calle Allende Sur 124
Toluca, Estado de México, México

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Rates include breakfast buffet, coffee room service, wireless internet, business center, gym, taxes and tips.

During the conference, the Fiesta Inn Tolucan Centro offers special rates for accommodation to delegates from 6th to 13th of September, 2014. If you are interested in staying at the Fiesta Inn Tolucan Centro, please call the Reservation Center at +52 01 800 504 5000 or visit www.fiestainn.com. The following code must be given for reservations:

GXQEE@TOC (You may also mention the “CONGRESO AMERICANO DE CUNICULTURA DEL 060914 AL 120914“).

For further information call: + 52 722 167 89 07
ventasfitoc@posadas.com C. Rocío Arriaga

*This promotion rates apply from September 6th to 13th, 2014. In case no previous booking is done, commercial rates will be applied.*

**OTHER HOTELS**

**HOTEL DON SIMÓN**
Mariano Matamoros N°. 202
Colonia Centro, Toluca, Estado de México
+ 52 01 722 2132696 direccion@hoteldonsimon.com
www.hoteldonsimon.com

**HOTEL REX**
Mariano Matamoros Sur No. 101,
Col Centro, Toluca, México
+ 52 01 722 215-93-00 + 52 01 722 215-93-02
In the seventh century, Toluca was populated by the “matlatzincas”, later, during the thirteenth century it became part of the the “Mexica” domain.

The “Toloche” hill, located at the north of the city, gives rise to its name that comes from “Tolocan” and means "Where the God Tolo is". During the Spanish conquest, Toluca was founded in March 19th, 1522 on pre-hispanic settlements, then in 1677 it acquired the category of village, and reach the status of city in 1799 through a Royal document given by Carlos IV. Toluca City Hall was recognized on December 13th, 1812, and later in 1830 was proclaimed as the México State Capital. During this year, Toluca hosted the Scientific and Literary Institute founded by Don Lorenzo de Zavala in 1828, which later became today’s Universidad Autónoma del Estado de México. Toluca is located at 66 km from Mexico City, it is located at 2,680 meters above sea level, it has a humid temperate climate and an average annual temperature between 6 and 25 °C.

Centro Cultural Mexiquense is located at: Boulevard Jesús Reyes Heroles 302, in the town of San Buenaventura which belongs to Toluca District, México. Telphone: +52 01 722 2741272 and +52 01 722 274 12 66, The Hacienda of San José la Pila was founded during the seventh century. The state government remodeled the hacienda and placed three Museums: Anthropology and History, Popular Culture and Modern Art Museums, for more information visit: http://www.toluca.gob.mx/

DIRECTIONS ON HOW TO REACH

From the INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT in MEXICO CITY, arrive to Terminals 1 and 2, locate a bus station named CAMINANTE (Airport - Toluca Mexico State), bus departures are every 30 minutes from 7:30 a.m. 23:00 hrs. For more information visit http://www.tmt-caminante.com.mx:8080/Caminante/hAeró.html
You have to reach Toluca’s Bus Station (Terminal de Autobuses Toluca) and take a taxi to the Headquauers Hotel, it is about 7 minutes away.

If you are traveling by bus from the south central region of the country, reach the subway METRO station OBSERVATORIO, get to the bus station “TERMINAL DE AUTOBUSES PONIENTE”, the bus service to Toluca City is every 10 minutes.