French scientific and professional communities welcome IHC 2022, a great event to foster horticultural sciences and innovation worldwide.

**Angers, the capital of plants**

Angers, located in the Loire Valley, offers a mild climate and hence benefits from the largest concentration of actors in the French plant sector: training centres (INRAe, University of Angers, Agrocampus Ouest etc.), industries (farmers, cooperatives, breeding companies, suppliers, processing industries) and also experimental centres, associations, unions, and the European Community Plant Variety Office the (CPVO). These actors are used working together to develop innovation within **VEGEPOLYS VALLEY, the international plant competitiveness cluster**. Angers hosts many exhibitions and congresses dedicated to horticulture. As the first green city in France, Angers has different botanical gardens and Terra Botanica, the unique park in Europe dedicated to plant on the five continents.

**France, a horticultural country**

France, famous for its tourist attractiveness and ‘art de vivre’, is also an agricultural leader in Europe. Thanks to its diversity of landscapes – including overseas departments – the country has a wide range of plants. History and horticulture have been linked for centuries. The result is a dynamic, innovative and international plant sector.

**Plant Sector in the Pays de la Loire**

- **4,000** Companies
- **450** Researchers
- **30,000** Jobs
- **3,000** Students
The International Horticultural Congress (IHC) is the most important scientific event organised every four years since 1959 in the fields related to Horticulture* under the auspices of ISHS (International Society for Horticultural Science). ISHS is a truly global network comprising over 7,000 members. Its aim is to promote and foster research and education in horticultural science and to facilitate cooperation and knowledge transfer on a global scale through events and publications. In a different continent every 4 years (...2010 Lisbonne - 2014 Brisbane - 2018 Istanbul...), IHC regroups many divisions and commissions-symposia.

IHC 2022: HORTICULTURE FOR A WORLD IN TRANSITION

Spirit of 31st edition
The congress is designed by the French organizing committee in order

REACH A HIGH SCIENTIFIC LEVEL
With a unique opportunity to gather, meet and debate on the global topics:
- Competitiveness and skills for the Horticultural sectors
- Food, health & well-being,
- Sustainability of production systems,
- Adaptation to climate change and mitigation solutions

CONNECT AND MAKE VALUE FROM THE TRIPTYCH RESEARCH – EDUCATION – INDUSTRY
The IHC2022 will be an opportunity to boost links between Research, Education and Industry in order to facilitate the transfer and application of research for industry. It is also the place to motivate and encourage young minds in Horticulture for the future.

DEVELOP INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION, IN PARTICULAR BETWEEN SOUTH AND NORTH
Promote experience-sharing by bringing together different types of Horticulture.

Program
During one week, participants will discover and interact in plenary sessions, Symposia, networking exhibition, user-friendly social program and technical tours.

14 - 18 AUGUST
IN ANGERS CONGRESS CENTRE
Plenary sessions
25 Symposia
Workshops
Meetings
Exhibition

19 - 20 AUGUST
Technical and touristic post tours
Social program
Side events

Participants
IHC2022 will gather around 3,000 participants, ISHS’ members and non-members from all over the world:

- Scientists,
- Technicians,
- Students,
- Consultants,
- Engineers,
- Growers,
- Professionals from industries,
- Representatives of trade and consumer organisations,
- Medias,
- Policymakers,
- And other professionals.

* Horticultural crops, raw or processed: fruit, vegetables, aromatic and medicinal plants, seeds and roots, ornamental plants, landscaping, vineyard.
IHC 2022 CONGRESS VENUE:
IN THE HEART OF THE 1ST GREEN CITY OF FRANCE, ANGERS CONGRESS CENTRE IS A BEAUTIFUL AND MODERN VENUE OVERLOOKING A BOTANICAL GARDEN

ANGERS: EASY TO REACH AND TO GET AROUND

Nearest international airports:
- Roissy Charles de Gaulle Airport
- Orly Airport
- Nantes Atlantique Airport

By train TGV:
- From Paris: 1h30
- From Nantes: 0:35
- From Roissy Charles de Gaulle: 2h20
- 4 hours from European Capitals

By car:
- From Paris: 2h30
- From Nantes Atlantique Airport: 1h

Benefit from a wider audience for this 2022 edition thanks to the hybrid format!

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31ST INTERNATIONAL HORTICULTURAL CONGRESS

14–20 AUGUST 2022
CONGRESS CENTRE
ANGERS–FRANCE

HORTICULTURE FOR A WORLD IN TRANSITION

SAVE THE DATE AND JOIN THIS MAJOR INTERNATIONAL EVENT!

UNDER THE AUSPICES

UNDER THE HIGH PATRONAGE OF

CONVENING INSTITUTIONS

PUBLIC SUPPORTS