

**Ukrainian Academy of Agricultural Sciences**  
**International Winter Wheat Improvement Program**  
**(Turkey-CIMMYT-ICARDA)**

**International Winter Wheat Traveling Seminar,**  
**Kiev - Kharkov - Odessa, June 7-13, 2009**

**Justification:** International Winter Wheat Improvement Program (IWWIP) is a cooperative program between Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of Turkey, CIMMYT and ICARDA established more than 20 years ago. The objective of the IWWIP is to develop the winter/facultative germplasm for the region of Central and West Asia and facilitate global winter wheat germplasm exchange. Annually IWWIP distributes international nurseries to more than 100 cooperators in 50 countries. IWWIP has strong associations and cooperation with the breeding programs in Central Asia and Caucasus, Russia, Ukraine, Moldova, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, Serbia and USA. Every two years IWWIP conducts a traveling workshop to see the breeding and research activities as well as to discuss its program, cooperation and develop work plan for the future. The traveling workshop is also important for communication among the winter wheat breeding and research community. The last traveling workshop took place in Turkey in June 2007 and was attended by 35 participants from 18 countries. During the workshop the group visited four research institutes and at the final day conducted a discussion on enhancement of IWWIP activities. It was also proposed to conduct the next traveling seminar outside of Turkey in 2009. Ukraine has been chosen due to high level of wheat research and breeding and close cooperation with IWWIP. Three wheat breeding programs in Ukraine (Mironovka, Odessa and Kharkov) closely cooperate with IWWIP through germplasm exchange and research activities. The international winter wheat research activity is highly interested in visiting Ukraine and learning about the winter wheat breeding and research in the country. Ukrainian Academy of Agricultural Sciences supported to conduct the seminar in Ukraine.

**Objective:** International Winter Wheat Traveling Seminar will introduce the work of Ukrainian breeders and researchers on wheat, allow communication and establishment of international, regional and bilateral linkages, will review the cooperation within IWWIP framework and develop recommendations for its enhancement.

**Participants:** It is expected that the representatives from the key winter wheat breeding programs from the following countries will attend the traveling seminar: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Bulgaria, Hungary, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Syria, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, USA, Uzbekistan and possibly other countries. The total number of participants will not exceed 35 people due to the budget and transportation limitation.

## **Preliminary program of the Traveling Seminar:**

- June 7. Arrival to Kiev, accommodation in the hotel.
- June 8. Visit and meeting at Ukrainian Academy of Agricultural Sciences (introduction of participants, objectives and travel plans; information about the academy wheat breeding and research). Visit research institutes working on wheat breeding and related research in Kiev. Overnight in Kiev.
- June 9. Visit Mironovka Wheat Institute (95 km from Kiev). Train to Kharkov. (6 hours). Overnight in Kharkov.
- June 10. Visit Ukrainian Research Institute of Plant Industry. Overnight train from Kharkov to Odessa (10 hours).
- June 11. Visit Ukrainian Plant Breeding and Genetics Inst., overnight in Odessa.
- June 12. IWWIP concluding workshop.
- June 14. Departure of participants.

**Funding:** IWWIP will support local expenses of IWWIP collaborators attending the workshop including accommodation, transportation and meals. It is expected that the participants will find their own sources to cover the cost of travel to Ukraine.

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

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I confirm the availability of funds to travel to Ukraine and back \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No (please mark appropriate)

I confirm the availability of funds to stay in Ukraine during the workshop \_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_ No  
(please mark appropriate)

Please send the Registration Form by e-mail to [iwwip@iwwip.org](mailto:iwwip@iwwip.org) by March 15, 2009