



# **Soil Biological Communities and Aboveground Resilience**

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COST Action FP1305 BioLink:  
Linking belowground biodiversity and ecosystem function  
in European forests

**3<sup>rd</sup> Action Meeting**

**Rome, 17-19 November 2015**



***[www.bio-link.eu](http://www.bio-link.eu)***

**Dear Participants,**

It is our pleasure to invite you to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of COST Action Biolink which will take place in Rome, Italy, from 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November 2015. The meeting will start on Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> November at the newly established **CREA Research Center** (The Research Centre for the Soil-Plant System), in Via della Navicella close to the Colosseum) and continue on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November at the **Headquarters of CNR**, the National Research Council, in Piazzale Aldo Moro 7 (near Termini Railway station, see map). More information about the locations and the meeting programme will be available soon. There is a wide selection of accommodation available, for the convenience of access to the main meeting venue we advise to book in the vicinity of Termini station.

Following previous meetings in Reading and Krakow, this event will focus on the complexity of the unseen part of tree ecosystems that drives the behavior and productivity of the visible aboveground part. We will have several plenary sessions with invited and offered talks, as well as space and time to proceed with our effort in the Working Groups. Instructions for abstract submission are at the end of this document.

To register, please follow this link: <http://www.zeroseicongressi.it/congressi.php>.

The registration is a two-step process. First, follow the 'Inscrizione Online/Online Registration' link to book the event, then click on the 'Pagamento Online/Online payment' link to pay the registration fee which is €100.00. This includes refreshments, lunches and conference dinner.

Do register as soon as possible and no later than **5<sup>th</sup> October 2015**.

We hope you all enjoy the science, discussions and working together, but also find some time to appreciate the eternal city. Benvenuti a Roma!

Mauro and Martin

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## Meeting Programme

### Day 1, November 17th

**Location:** Hosted by CRA-RPS Centro di Ricerca per lo Studio delle Relazioni tra Pianta e Suolo, Via della Navicella 2-4, 00184 Rome (see map).

16:00-20:00 Welcome and Registration  
FAO initiatives on the International Year of Soil  
Global Soil Partnership  
Refreshments

### Day 2, November 18th

**Location:** Italian National Research Council (CNR), Piazzale Aldo Moro, 7, 00185 Rome (see map).

09:00-09:30 Welcome  
09:30-11:00 Plenary Session, Part 1 (*Marconi Room*)  
11:00-11:30 Coffee break (including poster session)  
11:30-13:00 Plenary Session, Part 1 (*Marconi Room*)  
13:00-14:00 Lunch  
14:00-17:00 WGs Meetings, Part 1 (including coffee break; *Rooms: Marconi, Golgi, Silvestri, Giacomello*)  
17:00-18:00 MC Meeting  
19:30-22:00 Conference dinner

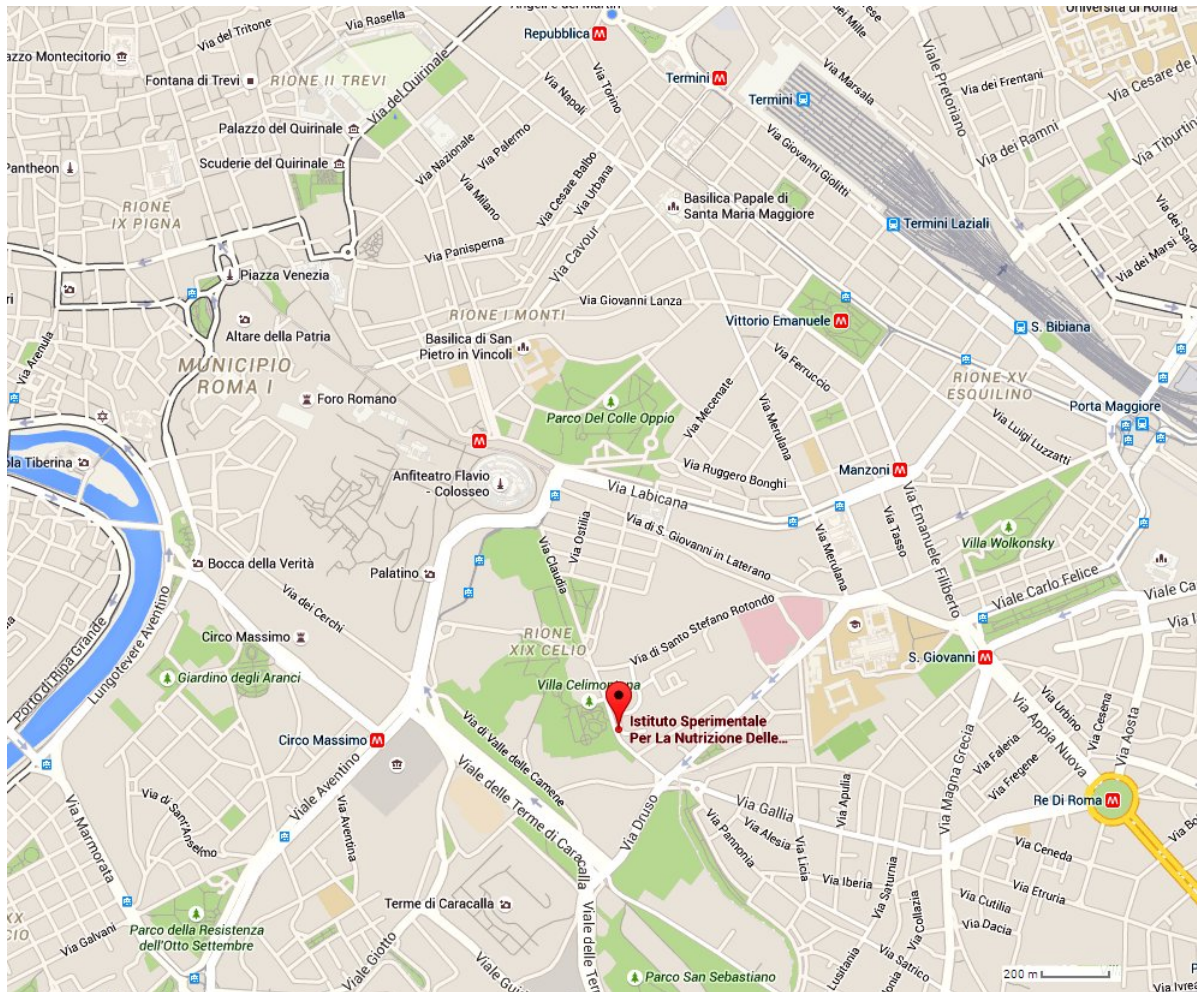
### Day 3, November 19th

**Location:** Italian National Research Council (CNR) Piazzale Aldo Moro, 7, 00185 Rome

09:00-10:50 Plenary Session, Part 2 (*Marconi Room*)  
10:50-11:30 Coffee break (including poster session)  
11:30-13:00 Plenary session, Part 2 (*Marconi Room*)  
13:00-15:00 Lunch  
15:00-16:45 WGs meeting, Part 2 (*Rooms: Marconi, Golgi, Silvestri, Giacomello*)  
16:45-17:15 Coffee break and brief reports by WG leaders  
17:15-17:30 Final Remarks and Conclusion (*Marconi room*)

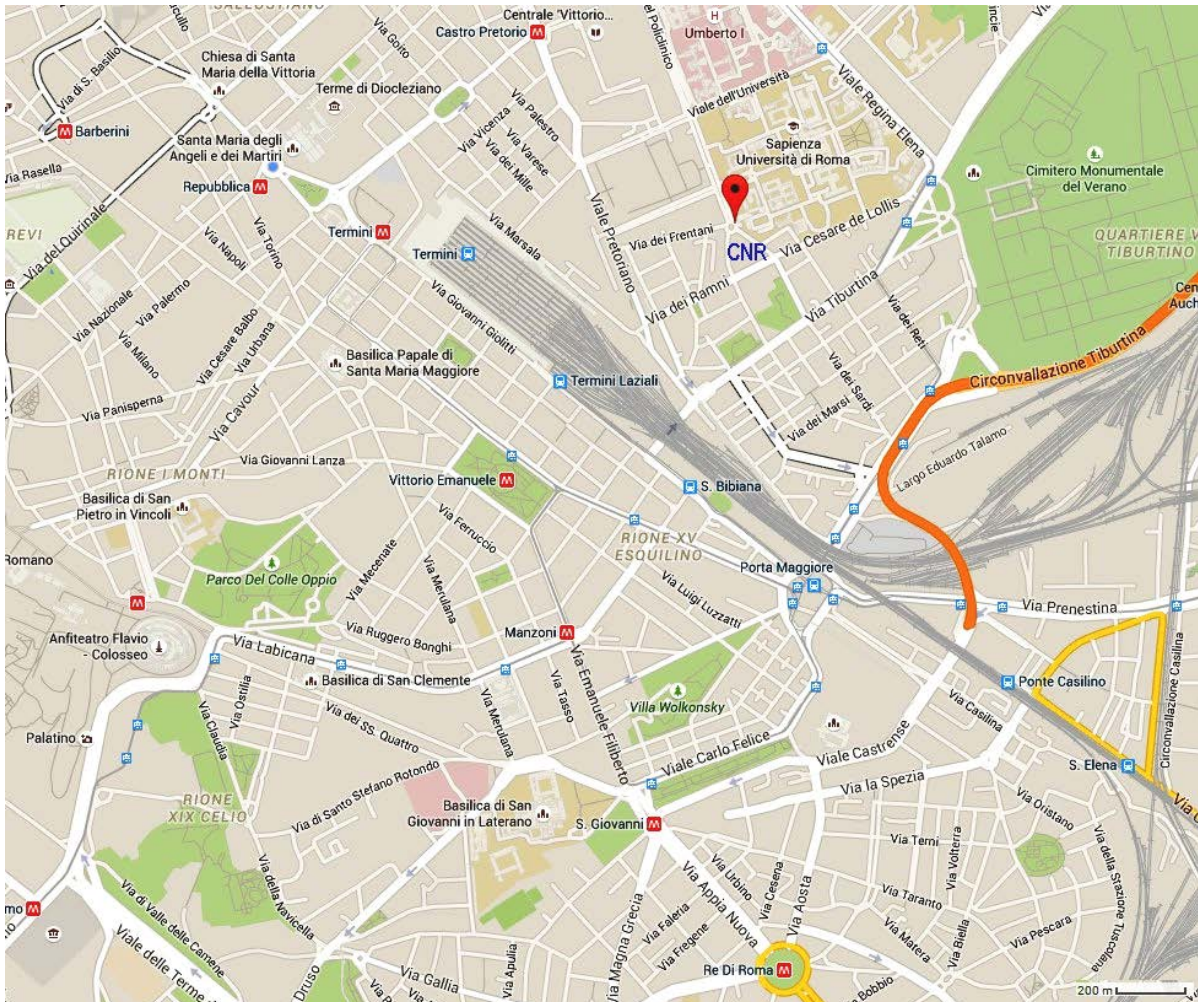
## Venue info

**17th November 2015 - CRA-RPS Centro di Ricerca per lo Studio delle Relazioni tra Pianta e Suolo, Via della Navicella, 2-4, 00184 Rome (former Istituto Nazionale per la Nutrizione delle piante)**





18th and 19th November 2015 - CNR, Piazzale Aldo Moro 7, 00185 Rome (Aula Marconi, II floor)





## Instructions for Abstract Submission

To submit an abstract please follow this procedure and refer to the template shown on the next page.

The abstracts should be in English and provide a synthetic report.

The use of acronyms, symbols or bullets should be avoided where possible.

A maximum of 2000 characters (including spaces) is allowed, single-spaced in 12 point type Arial.

Abstracts must be submitted by **12 October**, and sent as an email attachment to: [segreteria.disba@cnr.it](mailto:segreteria.disba@cnr.it).

In the email message, please indicate your preference as below:

- Oral presentation:
- Poster presentation

A final decision on the format of presentation (i.e. poster or oral) will be taken by the Organizing Committee.

A number of contributions will be selected for publishing in the Springer series "Sustainability in plant and crop protection - SUPP".



**Template for abstract submission**

**Title of the abstract**

Author name<sup>1</sup>, Author name<sup>2</sup>, the presenter's name is bolded and underlined.

<sup>1</sup>*Author's affiliation and full address: 10-point type, centered, italicized*

<sup>2</sup>*Author's affiliation and full address: 10-point type, centered, italicized*  
*presenter's e-mail address: 10-point type, centered, italicized*

**Abstract (max 2000 characters, including spaces)**

*Keywords: Keywords 1, Keywords 2, Keywords 3, Keywords 4, Keywords 5*

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