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PRTRG 14

Conference Announcement and Call for Papers

March 2nd- 3rd, 2023

S Ratchada Leisure Hotel

Bangkok, Thailand

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It is our pleasure to announce that the 14th conference of the Pacific Rim Termite Research Group (PRTRG 14) will be held on March 2 – 3, 2023 in Bangkok, Thailand (Appendix 1: tentative schedule).

The conference will take place in the S Ratchada Leisure Hotel, which is located in Bangkok, the capital of Thailand. For many, Bangkok, Thailand is the ultimate travel destination. A heady blend of modernity and tradition, Bangkok has something to offer everyone. Modern Bangkok is a large, bustling city of some 6 million people. The capital of Thailand, it is the administrative centre and the heart of the country. It is a city where skyscrapers and modern buildings jostle for space against the Bangkok skyline. It is also very much a city of entertainment and fun. Above all, Bangkok is a city of extremes.

Co-organizers



Kasetsart University



Thailand Pest Management
Association (TPMA)

Registration

Registration fee

Member : USD200

Non-member : USD300

Accompanying person : USD100

Registration online through a Google Form entered individually <https://bit.ly/TRG142023>

Payment method: Registration fee and membership fee is to be paid in CASH during registration on March 2, 2023. Only US dollar (USD) is accepted for the payment.

Registration deadline: February 20th, 2023



Membership of PRTRG

Participants are encouraged to apply as a member of PRTRG. If you are not PRTRG member yet, and you would like to apply, there will be a one-time USD100 fee to be paid. Those new-applied members are requested to pay the membership fee along with the registration fee in person. It'll be USD300 (membership fee USD100 + registration fee USD200) in total. Please visit <http://prtrg.org> to apply as a member (optional), and register for the PRTRG 14 Conference through Google Form online (<https://bit.ly/TRG142023>) to complete the registration.

Accommodation and transportation

No official arrangement will be made for accommodation and ground transportations. Taking public transportation is highly recommended. Please refer to Appendix 2 for detail instruction.

Visa requirement

Please check supporting documents required for visitor visas to Thailand at THAI E-VISA OFFICIAL WEBSITE (<https://www.thaievisa.go.th/>). For those needing invitation letters to apply for visas, please kindly contact Mr.Winyoo Jesadavisut (E-mail: debug68@gmail.com).

Oral and poster presentations

The objective of PRTRG 14 is to provide a forum for ORAL and POSTER presentations and exchange of scientific and technical information about termites among participants within two days. PRTRG Executive Committee (EC) would be very pleased to receive papers on:

1. Biodiversity and systematics of termites
2. Ecology and behavior of termites
3. Physiology and biochemistry of termites
4. Wood preservatives and natural products/microbial control of termites
5. Termite management (termiticides, baits, novel system, physical method, etc)



We are thrilled to announce that the abstracts for poster presentation and full papers for oral presentation are currently being solicited, and the registration is now open. For details of the submission of oral and poster presentations, please refer to Appendices 3 and 4. The deadline of the submission for both the oral and poster presentations is January 30, 2023. Should you have other queries regarding the presentations, the Secretary General, Dr. S Khoirul Himmi, by E-mail: khoi003@brin.go.id.

Regulations of oral and poster presentations

Presenters are welcome to give speech and mention the active ingredients of pesticide and types of equipment; however, promoting their own products or businesses in general are not allowed in these presentations.

Travel fund

In order to assist young scientists and students who need financial support to participate in the conference of the PRTRG, we grant 5 travel funds amounting up to USD 1,000 each. (For more details of Travel Fund application, please refer to Appendix 5)

Excursion

A half-day trip to Termite Trial Site at Ratchaburi province will follow the conference (Appendix 6)

Sponsorship

For those who are interested in sponsoring PRTRG 14, please kindly contact the Finance Director, Mr. Steph Chua (Bent Jaz Singapore Pte. Ltd., Singapore) by E-mail: stephchua@bentzjaz.com or the Secretary General, Dr. S Khoirul Himmi (National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN), Indonesia) by E-mail: khoi003@brin.go.id.

Appendix 1 : Tentative Schedule

Time Thursday, 2 March 2023

08:00 - 09:00	Registration
09:00 - 09:15	Opening Ceremony President of PRTRG, Mr. Su-Chart Lee
09:15 - 10:00	Keynote Lecture Dr. Chow-Yang Lee – University of California, Riverside, USA
10:00 - 10:15	Tea Break
10:15 - 11:45	Kunio Tsunoda Memorial Lecture Dr. Faith Oi – University of Florida, USA Dr. Partho Dhang – Urban Pest Management Expert, Philippines Dr. Amonrat Panthawong – Kasetsart University, Thailand
11:45 - 12:00	The PRTRG Travel Fund Award Ceremony
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch Break
13:30 - 14:30	Tsuyoshi Yoshimura Memorial Talk Dr. Kok-Boon Neoh (National Chung-Hsing University, Taiwan) Dr. S Khoirul Himmi – National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN), Indonesia
14:30 - 15:00	Tea Break and Poster Presentation
15:00 - 17:00	Session for Oral Presentation
17:00 - 17:15	Closing of Day 1
17:30 - 20:00	Welcome Dinner at S Ratchada Leisure Hotel, 1F

Time Friday, 3 March 2023

08:30 - 08:30*	Registration
08:30 - 09:30	Session for Innovation in Termite Management
09:30 - 10:00	Tea Break and Preparation for the Excursion
10:00 - 18:00	Excursion Program Visiting Termite Trial Site at Ratchaburi Province Lunch Box will be provided
19:30 - 21:30	Gala Dinner and Closing Ceremony Viva Alangka Dinner Cruise, Bangkok The next PRTRG 15 Conference Announcement

*The official time schedule is following Bangkok Time (GMT +7).

Appendix 2 : Accommodation and Transportation

Venue

Grand Ballroom Hall

S Ratchada Leisure Hotel, 2F

Find the site on Google Maps:

Google Map



Accommodation

Please book the hotel by yourself. We highly recommend you stay at S Ratchada Leisure Hotel. The hotel is located near MRT features 199 beautifully furnished rooms, with a generous 45 sqm (484 sq ft) living space. Blending style and comfort together, each room evokes a cool atmosphere with fine dark imported furniture and excellent views.

Both tourists and business travelers alike will find plenty to enjoy in the selection of accommodation of this boutique hotel. In the 2-story Pool Wing, 20 pool access rooms and 20 pool view rooms provide superb levels of comfort for guests to enjoy, along with plenty of modern conveniences.

S Ratchada Leisure Hotel

52 Tiamruammit Road, Ratchadapisek, Huaykwang, Bangkok, 10310 Thailand.

Contact Number: +66-61-687-6973

Email: info@sratchadahotel.com, Line ID: @894MCDGV

***Special room rates, please inform the name of "TPMA".

The recommended hotels near S Ratchada Leisure Hotel:

1. The Emerald Hotel <https://www.emeraldhotel.com/>
2. The Swissotel Bangkok Ratchada <https://www.swissotelbangkok.com/th/>

Appendix 2 : Accommodation and Transportation

Transportation from the airport to the hotel

Conveniently located 45 minutes away from Suvarnabhumi International Airport (BKK) or Don Mueang Airport (DMK) by taxi, S Ratchada Leisure Hotel in Bangkok stands at the end of Tiamruammit Road, approximately a kilometer off both Ratchadapisek and Rama IX Roads near the MCOT Junction. Taking taxi from airport will cost less than USD20.

Transportation

S Ratchada Leisure Hotel

The easiest way to get around Bangkok is via the subway system (MRT) and the skytrain (BTS). The closest skytrain station to S Ratchada Leisure Hotel is Asoke BTS, which has an interchange station with Sukhumvit MRT.

To return to the S Ratchada Leisure Hotel, get out at the recommended MRT exits and call a taxi. The three closest MRT stations to S Ratchada are:

- **Thailand Cultural Center (MRT)** Use Exit 4. This is the closest station from S Ratchada so expect to arrive at the hotel within 10 minutes.
- **Rama 9 (MRT)** Use Exit 1. This station is approximately 2 km from the hotel.
- **Huay Kwang (MRT)** Use Exit 2. This station is approximately 2.5 km from the hotel.

Bangkok MRT: <https://metro.bemplc.co.th/>

Appendix 3 : Preparation and Guidelines for Oral Presentation

Every paper will be given 15 minutes for an oral presentation when PRTRG-EC decides to accept the paper. PowerPoint presentations are strongly recommended. You are encouraged to use your own laptop computer, or the one that we have prepared in the conference room.

Those who would like to present papers orally are kindly requested to submit a 4-6 page-full paper by **January 30, 2023** to both the Secretary General, Dr. S Khoirul Himmi (E-mail: khoi003@brin.go.id) and the Proceeding Editor, Dr. Patho Dang (E-mail: partho@urbanentomology.com) electronically. **Earlier submission is greatly encouraged.** You will not be assigned any presentation slot without submission of a paper.

For oral presentation, the paper should contain title, authors and their affiliations, abstract, introduction, materials and methods, results and discussion/conclusions and references. Tables and figures are optional. "Times New Roman" (Microsoft Word) is the format required for inclusion of your paper in the conference proceedings. A layout example of a paper is shown in the next page. **Only paper that follows the format set in the example on the next page will be accepted, failing which it will be returned back to the authors to be reformatted again. Please note the requirements of the margin, font size, line spacing, etc.**

Regulations of oral and poster presentation

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Appendix 4 : Preparation and Guidelines for Poster Presentation

Format of 4–6 page–full paper

Margins: 30 mm each (top, bottom, left and right)

Termite Resistance of New Building Materials (14p bold)

by Kunio Tsunoda¹ and Tsuyoshi Yoshimura¹

¹ Kyoto University, Uji, Kyoto 611-0011, Japan (text in 10.5 p)

Abstract (12p, bold)

Of 21 termite species recorded in Japan, two subterranean termites....(text in 10.5 p)

Key words (4–6 keywords 10.5p bold) : soil treatment, wood treatment....(text in 10.5 p)

Introduction (12p, bold)

Termites are serious pests.....development somewhat improved the crawl space environment to prevent an invasion of termites into houses (IBEC* 1998, 1999a, 1999b). (text in 10.5 p)

Materials and methods (12p, bold)

Wood samples were randomly taken from the freshly–sawn sapwood. (text in 10.5 p)

Results and discussion (12p, bold)

(text in 10.5 p)

Conclusions (12p, bold)

(text in 10.5 p)

References (12p, bold)

Author(s) in alphabetical order in reference section. Citations at appropriate places in the text. (text in 10.5 p)

IBEC 1998 Report on the project to spread foundation insulation method in the fiscal year 1997. 128 pp. IBEC (Tokyo) (in Japanese).

Tsunoda, K. 2003 Economic importance of Formosan termite and control practices in Japan. *Sociobiology* 41(1), 27–36.

Yamauchi, K., H. Ishikura, J. Otake, I. Maeda, A. Kashihara and K. Uechi 1997 Field evaluation of the Sentricon system – confirmation of colony elimination. *Shiroari (Termite)* 110, 2–7. (in Japanese).

Appendix 4 : Preparation and Guidelines for Poster Presentation

The guidelines provided here will assist you in your poster preparation. Please prepare your poster material by your own budget. One-page abstract of the poster should be submitted by **January 30, 2023** to both the Secretary General, Dr. S Khoirul Himmi (E-mail: khoi003@brin.go.id) and the Proceeding Editor, Dr. Patho Dang (E-mail: partho@urbanentomology.com) electronically. **Earlier submission is greatly encouraged.** The abstract format is the same as full paper (kindly refer to Appendix 3), with title, author names, affiliations, and abstract content.

Preparation of a poster

Your poster should be self-explanatory. Author(s) should explain details and discuss particular points raised by the visitor. Presentation by a poster should be visually appealing. Poster should include diagrams and charts, tables and schemes, graphs, photographs and brief written texts like: abstract, introduction, methods, results, conclusions and references. English is the official language for poster preparation.

Display

Standard Size for Poster is A0

Option 1

1. The standard size for poster is A0, which is 84.1 cm by 118.9 cm.
2. The poster may be printed either in color or black and white.
3. The poster title should go centered in the upper part; in bold, in title case, font size of 60 to 80 points (pts).
4. To prepare the poster, use a simple font like Calibri, Trebuchet, Helvetica, Arial or similar (sans serif).
5. Posters should be readable from a distance of 1 meter. Main text should be of minimum 32 pts. Headings should be 40 to 60 pts. The size of photographs should be of a minimum of 15 by 20 cm. Caption of tables, figures and photographs should be 18 pts.
6. Names of each author and their regular mail addresses should also be included centered below the title. It is recommended to include also E-mail address of the author to whom correspondence is to be directed.
7. Author should remain at the poster site at the time scheduled for poster session in the conference schedule, ready to discuss his/her work.
8. Distribution of personal cards to visitors helps to initiate a conversation as well as a future interaction/communication.



Option 2

The poster may be printed in the form of standing display banner (x-banner or roll-up banner) with size of 60 x 160 cm.

Appendix 5 : Travel Fund Application

The PRTRG Travel Fund has been made available to young scientists since the third conference in Guangdong in 2006. The aim of the travel fund is to assist those who need financial support to participate in the biennial conference of the PRTRG. In 2023, PRTRG will grant five (5) travel funds amounting to no more than USD1,000 each.

Who may apply

Scientists/students who are working on termites at the universities or other research institutes could apply for the fund. Applicants are requested to present an oral presentation at the conference and also submit 4-6 page-full paper (to submitted not later than December 31, 2022). Expected financial support: round-trip flight ticket, accommodation fees for three nights' stay and an additional amount to cover ground transportation and meals. The maximum amount reimbursed to each recipient shall not exceed USD1,000. Airfare and accommodation estimate should be filled in the online application form.

Application Schedule

Application form and recommendation letter must be submitted by December 15, 2022. The results will be announced to the applicants by January 15, 2023

Application Materials

1. Complete the online application form. https://bit.ly/TRG14_Travel_Fund
2. One recommendation letter MUST be emailed to the Secretary General, Dr. S Khoirul Himmi (E-mail: khoi003@brin.go.id) by your country representatives listed below.
3. If no representatives for your country, please contact the Secretary General.

Country representatives

China: Prof. Dayu Zhang zhangdayu@zafu.edu.cn

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Other Inquiry

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Appendix 6 : Excursion

EXCURSION

Termite Trial Site plot at Ratchaburi Province



Gala Dinner

Viva Alangka Cruise

Experience the beautiful night sceneries of Chao Phraya River (Asiatique The Riverfront)

www.facebook.com/vivaalangka/



10:00 Departure from S Hotel to Ratchaburi Province

12:00 Lunch

13:30 Visit “Termite Trial Site”

14:30 Reforestation together at Termite Trial Site

15:00 Departure from Termite Trial Site

18:00 Arrive at Asiatique The Riverfront

19:30 Gala Dinner : Viva Alangka Cruise, Chao Phraya River

21:45 Arrive at Asiatique The Riverfront

22:00 Depart from Asiatique The River front to S hotel