IOBC–APRS Global:
Who we are?

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Mission

- IOBC established in 1955 as a global organization affiliated to the International Council of Scientific Unions (ICSU)
- IOBC is a non-profit scientific organisation which promotes sustainable pest and disease management
- Provides a forum for BC practitioners to contribute globally outside of the constraints of their organisations
- IOBC promotes international cooperation, communication and advocacy for BC, training, professional independent advice to policy makers
- Raise public/stakeholder awareness of importance and potential for BC
Global Executive Committee

President          Barbara Barratt (NZ)
Secretary General  Russell Messing (Hawaii)
Vice President     Joop van Lenteren (Netherlands)
Vice President     Jianqing Ding (China)
Treasurer          Josep A. Jacas (Spain)
Past President     Jacques Brodeur (Canada)
Communication

IOBC provides information to members and BC practitioners via newsletter; to researchers by journal BioControl published by Springer; bulletins and books

IOBC arranges conferences, meetings and symposia

IOBC coordinates global working groups and commissions on specific biocontrol and IPM topics
Services

Writing Partnership

Assistance for non-native English speakers to help prepare scientific articles for publication in English language journals

Russell Messing establishing a pool of volunteers for this, especially for young scientists who cannot afford to pay for professional services

Editing is language only, not focused on scientific content
Awards

Support for young BC scientists:

IOBC Global offers awards for young scientists to attend conferences, applicants must:

- be under 35 years old
- be a member of IOBC
- be presenting a paper/poster on a BC topic

Preference given to applicants attending IOBC WG meetings or IOBC symposia at conferences

Up to €500 per candidate
APRS (Asia-Pacific) Executive Committee

President: Bill Palmer (Australia)
Vice President: Yulin Gao (China)
Vice President: Mark McNeill (NZ)
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APRS  Members by Country

Australia, China, Japan, Korea, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Philippines, et al.,

IOBC-APRS committee aims to increase Asia-Pacific coverage
Major APRS Symposia

The Australian and New Zealand Biocontrol Conference held in Sydney, Australia, 2008

“Biological control in the Asia-Pacific Region: highlights from the last 50 years and emerging issues for the future” A symposium to be held at the Australian Entomological Society meeting in Canberra in September 2014

A conference to be held in China in 2015

Contribution to IOBC symposium at the International Congress of Entomology to be held in Florida in 2016
Benefits of membership of IOBC-APRS

IOBC presents an opportunity to belong to a global organisation dedicated to biological control

Reduced subscription to the journal BioControl (Impact Factor 2.2) and to Biocontrol Science and Technology

Representation on important international organisations and policy agencies e.g. FAO, EU, OECD

Free access to writing partnership

Free access to many IOBC publications

Financial support for young biocontrol researchers to present work at conferences
IOBC-Global has a commission on Access and Benefit-Sharing, which is working hard to maintain our international ‘freedom to operate’ in biological control – supported by FAO

IOBC co-developed with OECD a document on ‘Guidance for Information Requirements for Regulation of Invertebrates as Biological Control Agents’

IOBC with EU and the biocontrol industry ‘Guidelines for mass production and quality control of beneficial organisms’

Coming soon:
- An updated website with information relevant to our region
- Free access to a newsletter with news on biological control in the Asia-Pacific region
Join IOBC-APRS at:

http://aprs.iobc.info/
Asia and the Pacific Regional Section (APRS)

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Thank you!

Long-term cooperation with all of you in the future!