The 5th European Turfgrass Society Conference will be held at the Salgados Palace Hotel (Salgados, Albufeira, Portugal) by the responsibility and organization of the University of Algarve on June 5th to 8th, 2016.

The overall theme of the ETS conference is:
Turfgrass – towards sustainability and perfection for aesthetic, recreational and sports.

We are honoured to invite all colleagues to submit abstracts for oral and poster presentations. Also, all interested authors are invited to submit a full paper with regard to the 5th ETS Conference that will be published in a peer review special section of Urban Forestry & Urban Greening (UFUG) and a peer review special issue of Crop Science.

The ETS Board and the Organizing Committee welcome abstracts from all disciplines. We instigate the study of turfgrass for all uses: aesthetic, recreational and sports. Multidisciplinary studies, from breeding, physiology, nutrition, turfgrass management to applied technologies are welcome.

Once your Abstract has been approved you will be able to send an “Extended abstract” and a “Full paper”. Both “Extended abstract” and “Full paper” will need to be submitted, respectively, until March 15th and April 15th, 2016, as Word format only. The size limit for the
“Extended abstract” is 2 pages and for the “UFUG Full paper” is 5-6 pages (7,500 words) and for the “Crop Science full paper” is 7 pages (in this case, for extra pages there are an additional cost of 50 U.S. dollars each).

The “Extended abstract” size limit is quite strict as it will be published and printed in the Book of Proceedings.

One person can be author of only one paper as the first author but can be co-author of several other articles.

All articles to be submitted in ENGLISH language only.

The templates for both papers please find below:

Extended abstract
UFUG Full paper
Crop Science full paper

For any further questions regarding your “Extended abstract” and “Full paper” submission we kindly ask you to contact us at 5etsalgarve@gmail.com or cguerre@ualg.pt.

Abstracts submission

The possibility of abstract submissions open from October 1st 2015 and therefore everyone interested in presenting their papers are encouraged to submit them following here presented form.

An Abstract should have the title, author names and institutions to which they belong and two paragraphs summary of your talk or poster and limited to 300 words (UFUG special section) and 200 words (Crop Science special issue) or less. The abstract should be concise and to the point:

- Introduction
- Scope or research objectives of your study (one or two sentences).
- Brief description methods and materials (one or two sentences).
- Results or key findings (one or two sentences, be specific enough but state only your main points).
- Conclusions (one sentence).
- Do not include literature citations or references to figures or tables.
- Use English language

The authors of the chosen abstracts, reviewed by the organizing committee will be asked to submit the final full paper that should be prepared according to the given Templates for papers.

If any further elucidations about your article is required, we will be free to contact you.

Main topics of the 5th ETS Conference 2016:

1. Turfgrass genetics and breeding
2. Turfgrass and landscape
3. Turfgrass for sports
4. Water management
5. Technology advances and turfgrass maintenance (mowing, fertilization, environment, certification)
6. Turfgrass pests (diseases, insects, weeds)
7. Turfgrass nutrition and physiology

Please take note of the following DEADLINES for the submission of papers:

**Opening of Abstract submission**: October 1<sup>st</sup> 2015
**Deadline for Abstract submission**: January 7<sup>th</sup> 2016
**Notification of accepted Abstracts**: January 31<sup>st</sup> 2016
**Deadline for Extended abstract/Full paper submission**: March 15<sup>th</sup>/April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016
**Notification of UFUG and Crops Science accepted paper**: October 15<sup>th</sup> 2016
**Expected publication date of the special section/issue of UFUG and Crop Science**: January 15<sup>th</sup> 2017

Please respect the deadline! Send files in MS Word for Windows format only. Hard copies or disks are not required. Maximum file size: 5 MB.

Abstracts must be sent to the Convener, Carlos Guerrero, E-mail: cguerre@ualg.pt

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For more information on ETS and the 5<sup>th</sup> ETS Conference at Salgados, Albufeira, Portugal, please contact Setsalgarve@gmail.com.