

## **2009 WSSA Committee Report to Members Summary for 2009 and Action Plan for 2010**

**Committee Code and Name: Biological Control of Weeds Committee (W16)**

**Committee Chair: Doug Boyette**

**Board Coordinator: ?**

**Committee Members Rotating Off:**

Bill Bruckart  
S. Chandromohan  
K. Jayachandran  
Brent Sellers  
Mark Weaver

**Appropriate Replacements: TBD**

### **2009 Summary of Activities**

What were the committee's goals for 2009?

Hold the IBG Workshop in conjunction with the WSSA meeting in Orlando Florida.

List the committee's accomplishments in 2009:

Fifty nine delegates from 14 countries participated in the IBG Workshop. The number of participants was slightly greater than that of prior IBG. There were 17 oral presentations and two poster presentations. Workshop content included presentations on discovery of novel candidate agents, emerging research with rhizosphere pathogens, methods for stable inoculum production, field testing for candidate biocontrol agents, methods to enhance pathogenicity, and commercialization strategies. Many of the participants attended the WSSA meeting that followed the workshop. Proceedings of the Workshop were printed and distributed to delegates at the venue.

What information was posted on the WSSA website?

No new items were listed.

How much funds were requested? How much was spent?

No funds were requested.

What was the impact of the committee activities/accomplishments on the following: membership, publication, policy, legislation, and/or education?

It is possible that some non-WSSA members who participated in the IBG Workshop held in conjunction with the WSSA annual meeting last year may have become members of WSSA. A comparison of the list of attendees for the IBG Workshop and WSSA membership list will be made to determine if that is the case.

A pdf version of the proceedings of the IBG workshop was made available at:  
<http://www4.ncsu.edu/~jcneal/IBG%20Workshop/index%20revised.html>

Morales-Payan, J. Pablo, and J. C. Neal, eds. 2009. Proceedings of the IXth International Bioherbicide Group Workshop. 49 pg.

What is the current state of the committee's projects and activities?

### **2010 Plan for Committee Activities**

Goals for 2010:

At the 2010 annual meeting the committee will review plans for 2010 and 2011.

Plan of Action:

Determine if any non-WSSA participants of the IBG workshop became members of WSSA

Determine what activities the committee can engage in that will advance the biological control of weeds.

### **Recommendations for Board/Society Action:**

Funds requested for 2009: None

Other requests for the Board: None