

CALL FOR PAPERS

31st Congress of the European Brewery Convention

Venice, Italy: 6–10 May 2007

The EBC Programme Committee is inviting papers for presentation at the 31st EBC Congress, which will be held in Venice (Italy), 6–10 May 2007. A separate Call for Posters will be issued at a later date.

Contributions to the programme should deal with (i) **new scientific findings** or (ii) **the application of new technology** on a commercial scale. All contributions should be based on original data, carried out following generally accepted scientific procedures and standards, of interest to the brewing industry and presented in a clear, easy to understand manner.

A wide range of contributions are welcomed, beginning with raw materials, including the brewing, packaging and distribution processes and ending with consumer consumption.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Please use the online submission form which can be found on EBC's website: www.ebc-nl.com. Proposals for papers must be submitted before **15 September 2006**; those for posters before 1 December 2006.

For all submissions the following applies:

Proposals will only be accepted if they contain new material; a statement of 'what is new' has to be part of the submission. Contributions may not have been published before the 31st EBC Congress.

It is requested to structure abstracts according to the following headings:

- description of the topic
- materials and methods for data collection
- results
- discussion

The inclusion in the abstract of potential or actual value to the brewing industry, such as possible applications, future perspectives, limitations or problems to overcome and financial outcomes, will be looked upon favourably.

CRITICAL REVIEWS IN BREWING

For the 31st EBC Congress, papers on 'Critical Reviews in Brewing' are also welcome. These papers should include

- (i) a review of the most important findings of the past including their value and significance to the brewing industry

- (ii) a summary of the current state-of-the-art indicating the strengths and weaknesses and
- (iii) a proposal for future research with directional guidelines and estimates of the value

A wide range of topics for these reviews is acceptable. These Critical Reviews should follow the general form and standards of the Critical Reviews published by international scientific journals.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

In order to ensure the highest quality, the number of papers will be limited. All submissions will be reviewed by the EBC Programme Committee.

For papers on new scientific findings, the primary selection criteria will be originality, completeness and potential value to the brewing industry. For papers on the application of new technology, the primary selection criteria will be rigor and extent of commercial scale testing and demonstrated value to the industry, including financial outcomes.

Notwithstanding the quality of the proposed contributions, EBC may regrettably have to forego proposals due to receipt of more applications than can be included in the programme. Proposals that are not accepted as oral presentation, will *not* automatically be accepted for presentation as poster; a new submission is requested before 1 December 2006. A 'Call for Posters' will be issued in due course.

The result of the selection will be made known through a personal letter.

REGISTRATION FEES

There will be a significant discount on the registration fee for all presenters; only a modest fee to cover the direct costs will be charged.

LANGUAGE

English is the only congress language; submissions are requested in English exclusively.

DEADLINES

- submission of papers: 15 September 2006
- submission of posters: 1 December 2006

Applications received after the deadlines can unfortunately not be taken into consideration.