



Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that **registration is now officially open** for the

**6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the IOBC WPRS Working Group  
“Benefits and Risks of Exotic Biological Control Agents (BREBCA)”**

which will take place

**14-17 September 2026  
at the Edmund Mach Foundation  
in San Michele all’Adige, Trento, Italy.**

The meeting will bring together scientists, practitioners, and policymakers to exchange knowledge, share experiences, and advance the safe and effective use of exotic biological control agents (BCAs).

The meeting program will address the following thematic sessions:

- Session 1 - From Risk Assessment to Governance of Exotic BCAs**
- Session 2 - Rapid and Responsible Deployment of EBCAs**
- Session 3 - Ecological Interactions and Long-Term Dynamics of EBCAs**
- Session 4 - Innovative Tools and Approaches for EBCA Safety and Specificity**
- Session 5 - Integrating EBCAs into Sustainable Pest Management Systems**
- Session 6 - Emerging Issues and Cross-Cutting Perspectives in Biological Control**

Registration and information on abstract submission, deadlines, fees, and accommodation is available on the conference website:

<https://sites.google.com/fmach.it/brebca-2026>

We warmly encourage you to register and share this announcement with interested colleagues worldwide. We look forward to welcoming you to Trentino in September 2026.

Best regards,

*The BREBCA 2026 Organizing Committee*

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