



April 2018

Largest BGRI Technical Workshop concludes



2018 BGRI Technical Workshop - Morocco

Workshop participants in the field at the INRA/ICARDA Tassaout Experiment Station, Morocco.

From 14-17 April, 333 wheat researchers from all over the world attended the 2018 BGRI Technical Workshop in Morocco. With 51 countries represented and 33% women participants, it was the most diverse BGRI workshop yet. Tackling the challenge of securing the world's wheat supply requires people of all nationalities, scientific backgrounds, genders, and ages, collaborating with each other across countries and disciplines to achieve something greater than the sum of their parts.

Our heartfelt thanks to the many participants who have made this possible, our hosting partner ICARDA, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and UK aid from the UK government for their continued support.

Look forward to seeing recorded sessions, presentations, and poster abstracts from the 2018 BGRI Technical Workshop in upcoming issues of the BGRI newsletter! For now, we've taken a few moments from the workshop and highlighted them on social media.

[Facebook Gallery: Highlights from the 2018 BGRI Technical Workshop](#)

[Twitter Moment: Highlights from the 2018 BGRI Technical Workshop](#)

All poster abstracts and more plenary presentations will be posted on the BGRI website soon. A notice will go out to all participants when they are available.

Certificates of participation were emailed to all participants, if you did not receive one, please contact John Bakum at jb755@cornell.edu

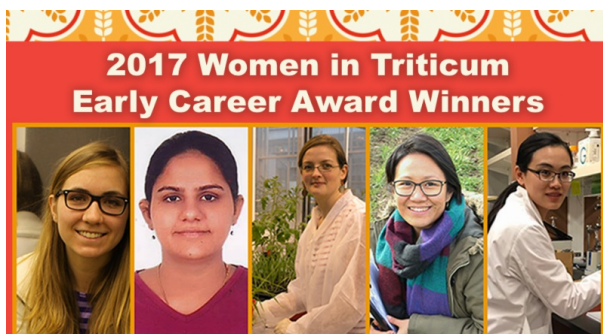
Award winners recognized at the BGRI Technical Workshop



Mahmoud Solh oversaw the relocation of ICARDA from Syria and received the award in recognition of his outstanding leadership in enhancing food security and building capacity throughout Central and West Asia and North Africa.



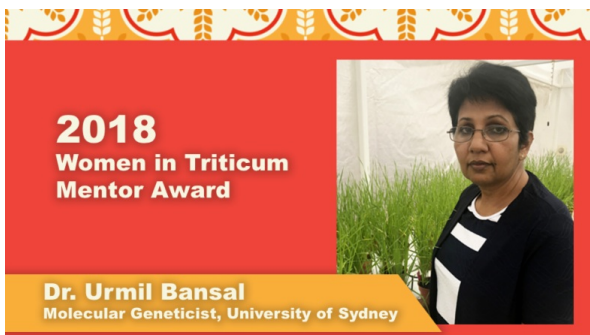
The Gene Stewardship Award is presented annually at the BGRI Technical Workshop to recognize a researcher or team of researchers serving a national breeding program or other nationally based institution.



2017 WIT Early Career Award Winners: Margaret Krause of CIMMYT/Cornell University, Ritika Chowdhary of CSIRO/ University of Sydney, Sarrah Ben M'Barek-Ben Romdhane of Centre de Biotechnologie de Borj Cédria, Tine Thach of Aarhus Universitet, & Weizhen Liu of Cornell University.



2018 WIT Early Career Award Winners: Radhika Bartaula of University of New Hampshire, Sreya Ghosh of John Innes Centre, Raheela Rehman of Sabanci University, Hannah Robinson of InterGrain Cereal Breeding, and Meriem Aoun of College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University.



[Read more about the 2018 Women in Triticum Award winners at the BGRI blog.](#)

Upcoming Events

Wheats & Women International Conference

14-15 June 2018 (Rome, Italy)

<https://www.wheatwomen-carlotta2018.com/>

International Congress of Plant Pathology (ICPP) 2018: Plant Health in A Global Economy

July 29-August 3 2018 (Boston, Massachusetts)

<http://www.icpp2018.org/Pages/default.aspx>

Rust Workshop at ICPP Boston: Biology of rust-host interactions and the future of durable disease resistance

28 July 2018

Featuring talks about rusts on cereals, beans, coffee, myrtle, poplar, pine AvrSr50, AvrSr35, and more. For more information, contact: Guus.Bakkeren@AGR.GC.CA

From Seed to Pasta III: A Sustainable Durum Wheat Chain for Food Security and Healthy Lives

19-21 September 2018 (Bologna, Italy)

<https://www.fromseedtopasta.com/>

Grains for Well-Being

5-8 November 2018 (Taipei, Taiwan)

<http://www.grainsforwellbeing.org/en/>

Contribute to the BGRI Newsletter and Social Media

If you have any news of interest to the BGRI community, please send us a message and we will try to include it in subsequent BGRI newsletters! We also publish and share stories on our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) accounts. Use [@globalrust](#) to tag any contributions.

Events, career and educational opportunities, photos, and new publications are especially welcome.

Contact BGRI newsletter editor [Samantha Hautea](#) or [the BGRI](#).

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