

	8:30	10	Opening	Gert Kema, WUR, Netherlands
			Session 1	The Pandemic
1	8:40	20	Fusarium wilt TR4: A view from the banana industry	Carlos FLORES, CEO, Chiquita Andrew BILES, ex-CEO, Chiquita
2	9:00	20	Fusarium wilt disease of banana: how to tackle a pandemic	Gert Kema, WUR, Netherlands Andre Drenth, UQ, Brisbane, Australia
	9:20	10	Discussion	Gert Kema – Andre Drenth
			Session 2	The Pathogens
3	9:30	20	Fusarium banana host pathogen interactions	Einar Martinez, WUR, NL
4	9:50	20	Epidemiology R1 vs TR4	Andre Drenth, UQ, Brisbane, Australia
5	10:10	20	Fusarium: the pathogen and the species	David Geiser
	10:30	10	Discussion	Andre Drenth - Gert Kema
	10:40	30	Coffee/Tea break	
			Session 3	Novel Control Methods
6	11:10	20	Pro-active prevention strategies (Peru case study)	Mario Cozzarelli
7	11:30	20	Options for chemical control of Fusarium wilt	Thierry Quirol, Syngenta, CH
8	11:50	20	RNAi for the control of Fusarium wilt of banana	Pablo Chong, ESPOL, Guayaquil, Ecuador
9	12:10	20	Can manipulating the root microbiome achieve disease control	Victor Carrión, ES
	12:30	10	Discussion	Gert Kema – Andre Drenth
	12:40	60	LUNCH – posters	
			Session 4	New Approaches in Breeding
10	13:40	20	Improving resistance to FWB in East African Highland Bananas	Alan Brown, IITA ,Tanzania
11	14:00	20	Genomics-based breeding methods for use in genetic improvement of bananas	Liana Nice, Nature Source Improved Plants
12	14:20	20	Developing new commercial resistant banana varieties	Anker Sørensen, Keygene, NL
	14:40	10	Discussion	Andre Drenth - Gert Kema
	14:50	30	Coffee/Tea break	
13	15:20	20	Gene editing to achieve resistance	Marina Pais, Tropic Biosciences, Norwich, UK
14	15:40	20	TR4 resistant Cavendish in the field	James Dale, QUT, Brisbane, Australia
15	16:00	20	Mutation breeding for TR4 resistance	Eli Khayat, Rahan Meristem, Israel
	16:20	10	Discussion	Gert Kema – Andre Drenth
			Session 5	Global Partnerships & Book Presentation
16	16:30	20	Global Alliance against TR4	Aaron Tepperman, Bayer, Germany
17	16:50	20	FAO – World Banana Forum	Victor Prada, FAO, Italy
	17:10	30	Panel discussion, wrap up conclusions	
	17:45		Closing & Drinks	
	19:00		Dinner Sponsored by Chiquita	