EUROCAROTEN INFODAY

"RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT THE SOCIOECONOMIC IMPORTANCE OF CAROTENOIDS"

COST ACTION "European network to advance carotenoid research and applications in agro-food and health (EUROCAROTEN) **www.eurocaroten.eu**

Date: 28 March 2019

Venue: Manos Conference Center, Chaussée de Charleroi, 135, Brussels

Organizers: COST Association

Dr. Antonio J. Meléndez-Martínez (Universidad de Sevilla, Spain) - Chair of EUROCAROTEN

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9.00 - 9.30	Registration
9.30 - 10.00	What is COST? What COST Actions achieve? - *Mr. Bart Veys (COST Policy Support Unit)*
10.00 - 10.30	Carotenoids: natural versatile compounds with applications in agriculture, foods, health and much beyond - *Antonio J. Meléndez-Martínez (Chair of EUROCAROTEN)*
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 - 11.15	An overview of EUROCAROTEN – *Antonio J. Meléndez-Martínez (Chair of EUROCAROTEN)*
11.15 - 11.30	Working group 1 - Production: developing resources and biosynthetic pathways - *Paul D. Fraser (WG1 leader)*
11.30 - 11.45	Working group 2 - Quality along the food chain - *Anamarija Mandic (WG2 vice-leader)*
11.45 - 12.00	Working group 3 -Nutrition and health - *Torsten Bohn (WG3 leader)*
12.00 - 12.15	Working Group 4 - Transfer, dissemination and exploitation - *Anneli Ritala (WG4 leader)*
12.15 - 12-45	Questions and discussion
12.45 - 13.45	Lunch
13.45 - 14.45	'How plant science can contribute to society today and in future including Nutritional Security and how you can get involved' - *Dr. Karin Metzlaff - European Plant Science Organisation, EPSO*
14.45 – 15.45	'Nutrition and health – Health claims' - *Dr. Francisca Serra-Vich – Full Professor (Nutrition and Food Science, UIB, Spain) – Former National Expert at European Comission*.
15.45 - 16.15	Questions and discussion
16.15 - 17.00	Casual discussion over coffee.