

Day 1

Wednesday 16 June 2027

Time	Program
09:00-10:00	Arrival and registration
10:00-10:30	Opening session
10:30-11:00	Keynote speaker (to be announced soon)
11:00-13:00	Scientific session I: Climate change <i>Climate adaptation; phenology and phenoclimatic modelling; drought and water stress; frost tolerance; resilient cultivars and rootstocks; precision farming; carbon sequestration and agroforestry; growers' knowledge.</i>
13:00-14:30	Lunch
14:30-16:00	Scientific session II: One health <i>Plant–soil–microbiome interactions; soil biodiversity; mycorrhizae and microbial biostimulants; pollinators and beneficial insects; ecosystem services; fruit quality and food safety; sustainable disease prevention</i>
16:00-16:30	Smart oral presentations I
16:30-17:00	Coffee break
17:00-18:00	Graphical abstract session and networking
20:00	Symposium Evening

Day 2

Thursday 17 June 2027

Time	Program
08:30-10:30	Scientific Session III: Sustainable orchard management <i>Orchard design and management; irrigation and water use; mineral nutrition and biostimulants; tree physiology and productivity; propagation and micropropagation; grafting and rootstocks; nursery production and certification; circular practices</i>
10:30-11:00	Smart oral presentations II
11:00-11:30	Coffee break
11:30-11:50	Keynote speaker (to be announced soon)
11:50-13:00	Scientific Session IV: Biodiversity and ecosystem resilience <i>Germplasm conservation; population genetics; traditional cultivars and ancient trees; wild and cultivated populations; biocultural diversity; landscape conservation; genetic and morphological characterization; resilient ecosystems</i>
13:00-14:30	Lunch
14:30-15:30	Scientific Session IV: Biodiversity and ecosystem resilience (part 2)
15:30-16:00	Smart oral presentations III
16:00-17:30	Scientific Session V: Innovative technologies in chestnut protection <i>Genomics; molecular diagnostics; breeding and gene editing; pest and pathogen monitoring; biological control and integrated pest management; remote sensing and precision technologies; phytosanitary treatments</i>
17:30-18:00	Closing Ceremony and ISHS Young Minds Award Presentation - Business meeting (selecting the next Convener)

Day 3

Friday 18 June 2027

Time	Program
08:30-18:30	Technical visits Chestnut R&D Center, intensive <i>Castanea sativa</i> and <i>hybrids</i> orchards and traditional chestnut orchards in Cuneo province

Program note

This program is indicative. Session timings and presentations may be adjusted after abstract selection and logistical confirmation. Each scientific session is planned for six 15-minute oral communications. Each Smart oral presentations slot is planned for eight 3-minute oral smart communications.

Unlike most chestnut symposia, ICS 2027 will take place in the heart of a big city, Torino, rather than in a traditional chestnut-growing area. This deliberate choice brings chestnut cultivation into the spotlight of a major city, giving greater visibility to a crop often associated with remote rural landscapes. Torino also offers excellent connections and easy access for international participants. And don't worry—we will not stay in the city for the whole symposium! On Day 3, we will all board the buses and travel together into the heart of Piedmont's chestnut-growing region to visit the National Chestnut R&D Center, modern intensive plantations and traditional orchards.