



COST ACTION FA1204



Rootstock-scion and rhizosphere signaling

18 & 19 April 2016, Bleiswijk, The Netherlands

GENERAL INFORMATION

We are looking forward welcoming you in April at the Steering Committee MC meeting of the COST action FA1204 "Vegetable Grafting" in The Netherlands. The Netherlands have a strong and competitive horticulture sector, with regional clusters of glasshouse horticulture companies, of which the 'Greenports' of Westland – Oostland (near The Hague), Aalsmeer (near Amsterdam) and Venlo (near the German Ruhr Area) are the most important ones. The sector makes a strong contribution to the export position of the Netherlands. Since the 1990s, stimulated by changing societal expectations, growers and surrounding actors engaged in improving the sustainability of the glasshouse horticulture sector, especially focusing on reducing energy usage, greenhouse gas emissions, water usage and land use. The glasshouse horticulture sector in the Netherlands is often perpetrated as a successful example of a sustainability transition and is therefore interesting to derive lessons for sustainable regional economic development.

[www.regionalstudies.org/uploads/Alwin Gerritsen Annemarie Groot and Wim Nieuwenhuizen PDF.pdf](http://www.regionalstudies.org/uploads/Alwin_Gerritsen_Annemarie_Groot_and_Wim_Nieuwenhuizen_PDF.pdf).

We will meet at Wageningen UR Greenhouse Horticulture, which is located in Bleiswijk. This village is part of 'Greenport' Westland - Oostland, traditionally the area where glasshouse horticulture in The Netherlands is concentrated. Since the Westland - Oostland region is an industrial area, we will host you in a hotel in the city of Gouda. Gouda is an imposing, historic town with canals. In the town centre one can see much of Gouda's rich history and versatile culture – from historic buildings to museums and galleries with modern art (www.welkomingouda.nl/en). Gouda is world famous for its cheese. Gouda cheese is among the best-known and most consumed cheese in the world. It is sold in almost every remote corner of the planet. The cheese takes its name from the fact that, for centuries, it was traded in the town of Gouda. From Gouda central station one can easily travel by train to other Dutch cities like Amsterdam (55'), The Hague (25'), Delft (40') or Rotterdam (20').

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MEETING SECRETARY

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PROGRAM

See attached document.



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VENUE

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HOTEL

BEST WESTERN PLUS City Hotel Gouda (www.bestwesterngouda.nl/en/index.html)

Hoge Gouwe 201, 2801 LE Gouda, The Netherlands

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The hotel is on walking distance (1 km; 12') from Gouda central station.

We kindly ask you to book this hotel yourself. A touring car will pick up and return us both meeting days from this location. So it is handy and actually necessary to book a room in this hotel! We negotiated and got lower room rates. Therefore, **bookings can only be done via e-mail**. You have to **use the key word COST ACTION FA1204**. We have an option for 23 rooms until 10 March 2016. The prices, which include WiFi, breakfast and VAT, per room per night are: Comfort Room Single Use: EUR 106.00, Comfort Room Double Use: EUR 116.00.

DEADLINES

Registration

In order to confirm the number of participants and to improve planning of the activities and particularly the technical tour, **please register not later than 10 March 2016**.

To register, please fill out the Registration Form and send it per e-mail to: j.h.venema@rug.nl

Hotel booking

Please, book your hotel room before 10 March 2016 via e-mail: info@bestwesterngouda.nl and use the key word: COST ACTION FA1204. After this date the prices will be higher!

TRANSPORTATION

Arrival at Schiphol airport (www.schiphol.com)

The Dutch Railways (NS: www.ns.nl/en) will bring you in 55' to Gouda central station. Schiphol station is situated directly below the airport.

(www.schiphol.nl/Travellers/ToFromSchiphol/PublicTransport/ByTrainDomestic.htm)

Arrival by train

For international train services, please check: <https://www.nsinternational.nl/en>

Once arrived in The Netherlands, please plan your local journey via: www.ns.nl/en



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