



# **BIOCOLOURS** CONFERENCE 2018

Bioprospecting, biorefinery, application and  
performance improvement of biobased colourants

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**First Announcement and call for abstracts**  
**28-29 May 2018, Breda, The Netherlands**

This conference is co-financed by the Taskforce for Applied Research  
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# Introduction

The biobased economy offers countless ways of preserving the climate and environment for future generations using sustainable, knowledge-based economies. A vast number of scientists, industries and entrepreneurs are working on sustainable biobased strategies, methods and products in different areas. One of these areas is natural biobased colourants.

BIOColours is the first conference focussed on all aspects involving the search for, isolation, application and improvement of biobased colourants. BIOColours aims to unite scientists with industry representatives and designers in an effort to translate basic research into applied research with application. Join leading speakers from academia and industry in order to discover what's new and what's next in the ever-evolving world of biobased colourants.

You, too, can attend interesting lectures and meet important stakeholders and cooperation partners at this event! We cordially invite you to the International BIOColours Conference in Breda on 28 – 29 May 2018.



## Aim and scope

**The programme of events will focus on the topics:**

- Green building blocks for colourants and green synthesis to (new) colourants
- Bioprospecting of colourants or additives for colourants
- Biorefinery of colourants
- Industrial and commercial application and use of biobased colourants
- Performance improvement of colourants by the use of additives and
- Environmental aspects of colourants

## Programme

The programme will be constructed around presentations and papers that are submitted in relation to the conference topics. Scientific papers, as well as documented case studies and general review papers are all encouraged for submission.



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# Planning

June 2017	First Announcement and call for workshop topics
December 2017	Deadline for abstracts of papers and posters for the conference
February 2018	Second Announcement also starting dedicated discussion on workshop topics
March 2018	Evaluation of papers by the Programme committee and invitations to submit full papers and posters
April 2018	Deadline submission full papers and posters
28 - 29 May 2018	Conference

## Submission of papers and posters

All abstracts should be written in English. An international Programme Committee will review the abstracts. Only papers and posters presented in person by the author(s) will be accepted. Authors must be able to meet their own expenses and fee. When submitting your proposal online, you will find a more detailed list of key words that we will use to categorise your submission and match it with appropriate reviewers. Papers and posters within the scope of the conference are welcome. Authors should submit an abstract of about 1,000 words (2 pages) to the Conference Secretariat, before December 1st, 2017.

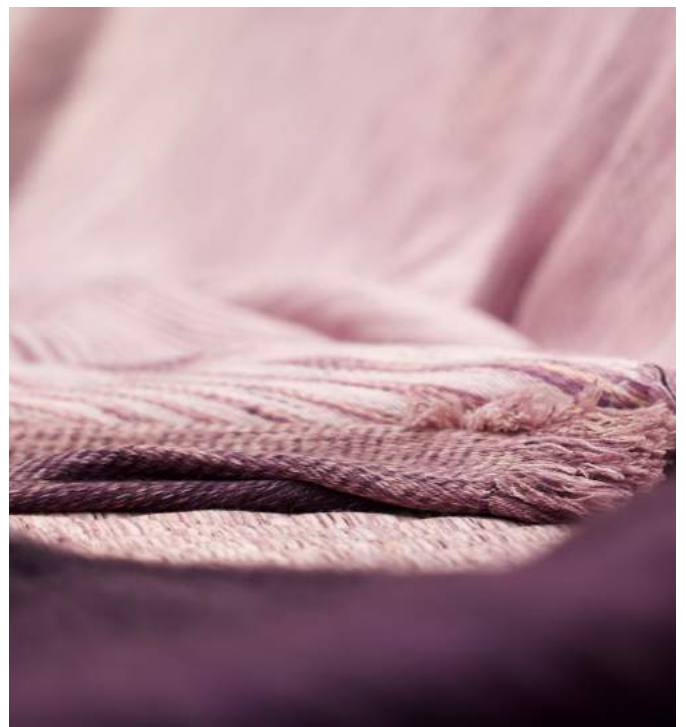
Once all proposals have been reviewed and as the final programme for the congress is developed, the selected papers, and posters will be grouped into appropriate sessions. The names of the themes, tracks and topics may change to reflect these groupings. Full instructions on how to prepare and submit your proposal are available online at [www.biocoloursconference.com](http://www.biocoloursconference.com)

### Platform presentations

Proposals for platform presentations on current issues and developments concerning biobased colourants are especially welcomed. Submissions (platform and poster) must be in the form of an outline paper (halve page of text, plus maximum two additional pages of tables and figures).

### Poster presentations

If you present a poster paper it will be on display for two days and eligible for a best poster award which will be announced at the congress closing ceremony. Oral and poster presentations are accorded equal status. The difference from a platform presentation is that you should let your poster do the 'talking'; i.e. the material presented must convey your key points. If you prefer to present a poster please note this when you submit your proposal. ( 100 words and title )



# Selection criteria

## Language

Presentations must be in plain English and clearly define the objectives, status, methodology, findings and significance of the investigation or study.

## Originality

Does the subject matter fit the theme of the congress? Is the work interesting and likely to prompt discussion at the congress? To be accepted for presentation a proposal needs to deal with breakthrough technology, new concepts or novel applications of established concepts. You can describe improvements to existing theories and present new data to support them.

## Status of project

Are the conclusions and work reported correct and valid? A successful proposal needs to establish that the project or case study is well developed. If you can demonstrate concrete results that are supported by data or results your proposal is more likely to be accepted.

## Technical content

Make sure that you state the objectives and scope of the project, the conditions under which the data was obtained, the procedures or methodology you used, and the conclusions.

## Benefits and significance

What are the benefits of the project? What is its significance for your local area, country or other countries in your region?

## Quality

Is the proposal clearly set out and understandable? The committee will consider the quality of the proposal as indicative of the quality of the final presentation. It is therefore in your interests to prepare your proposal with care, organise your material well, write clearly in plain English and prepare your graphics professionally and make sure your information is accurate and up-to-date.

- 🕒 **BIOColours is an international conference**
- 🕒 **Multidisciplinary**
- 🕒 **Provides networking opportunities and workshops with researchers, industry representatives, and entrepreneurs**
- 🕒 **Invites delegates to present scientific posters within each session, featuring a handful of oral presentations**
- 🕒 **Includes a dedicated poster session with a prize for the best poster**
- 🕒 **Includes a demonstration market for industries and designers**
- 🕒 **Located in the South of The Netherlands close to the beautiful cities of Amsterdam, Maastricht, Gent and Brussels.**



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