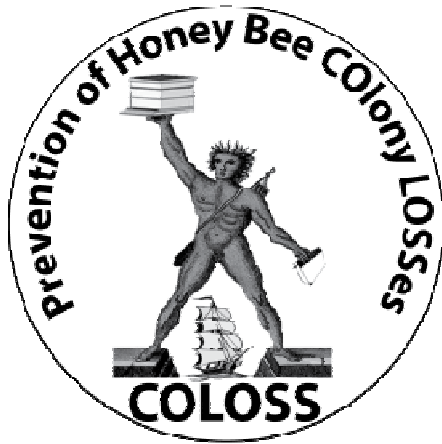


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COLOSS Workshop and Extension Day

**A European strategy
for small hive beetles
*Aethina tumida***

Registration & Abstract Call

Bologna, Italy, 19th – 20th February 2015

COLOSS workshop and extension day

Topic

Following arrival in Italy of the small hive beetle (*Aethina tumida*) an exotic honey bee parasite listed in the OIE, COLOSS is calling a workshop to focus on the problem. The aim of the meeting is to develop a strategy to limit the dispersal of and damage caused by this beetle in Europe.

When

Thursday 19th February – Friday 20th February 2015; one full day reserved to COLOSS members followed by an extension day reserved to beekeepers, extension technicians, veterinarians and policy makers.

Where

Consiglio per la Ricerca e la sperimentazione in Agricoltura, Unità di ricerca di apicoltura e bachicoltura (**CRA – API**), via di Saliceto 80, 40128 Bologna (Italy).

Who

Workshop: maximum of 80 participants. Priority will be given to COLOSS members actively involved in bee health in their countries and / or with research / field experience with small hive beetles.

Extension day: maximum 120 invited participants.

Working language

During the COLOSS workshop (19th Feb.): English

During the extension day (20th Feb.): Italian (translation of talks by non-Italian speakers will be provided).

Workshop registration

To participate in the workshop, send filled-in registration form and abstract by the 2nd Feb. to: segreteria.api@entecra.it

Workshop registration fee: 40 € payable on site, which will cover 2 coffee breaks and lunch on the 19th Feb.

Travel & Accommodation

International airport Guglielmo Marconi is situated near the institute, easily reachable by taxi. Alternatively, the “Aerobus” will take you to city centre and ultimately to the train station. From the station (bus stop in via Indipendenza) you can take bus 27 towards via Corticella (opposite direction from town centre) and the institute is at the stop “Caserme Rosse”. Directions and map available on CRA-API website:

<http://api.entecra.it/index.php?c=9&ln=eng>

A list of hotels is also available on CRA-API website, the first four are near the institute, while the other two are in the city centre:

<http://api.entecra.it/index.php?c=64#bo>

Further options on where to stay can be found on the municipal website:

<http://www.bookingbolognawelcome.com/en/>

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Registration forms and abstracts should be sent to this address!	

MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 18th February 2015 – Organizational meeting

Time	Executive Committee Meeting
19:00-20:30	Meeting of COLOSS Executive Committee members, invited speakers and local organizers

Thursday, 19th February 2015 – COLOSS Workshop

Time	Presentations
08:00-09:00	Registration
09:00-09:15	“Welcome and Organizational matters” by M Lodesani and P Neumann
09:15-09:30	“How COLOSS can contribute: ideas for dissemination” by Norman Carreck
09:30-10:15	“Small hive beetle in Italy: report on events” by F Mutinelli and M Lodesani
10:15-11:00	“Small hive beetle biology, spread and hosts other than <i>Apis mellifera</i> ” by P Neumann
11:00-11:30	Break , with drinks & snacks
11:30-12:15	“Small hive beetles in the US: what can we learn from that?” by J Pettis
12:15-13:00	“A small hive beetle lesson from Africa” by CWW Pirk
13:00-14:30	Lunch
Plenary focused discussions	
14:30-16:00	Diagnosis and monitoring State of the art How to adapt known methods to Italy and other European countries Gaps in knowledge, research needs
16:00-16:30	Coffee break with snacks
16:30-18:00	Control and prevention How to limit entrance (eradication strategy) How to limit dispersal and associated damage to apiculture and wild bees (assuming eradication will fail)
18:00-18:30	“Final conclusions” by P Neumann
20:00-	Social dinner

Friday 20th February 2015 - Extension day

Time	Small hive beetle <i>Aethina tumida</i> in Europe: what to do?
10.00-10:30	Welcome by local organizer, COLOSS president, Health and Agriculture Ministry representatives
10:30-10.45	"European approach following <i>Aethina tumida</i> detection in Italy" by M.P. Chauzat
10:45-11:00	"Trying to eradicate <i>Aethina tumida</i> : results of 5 months' efforts" by F. Mutinelli
11:00-11:45	"Small hive beetle in Italy: what can we expect in the future? incl. outcome of COLOSS meeting" by Peter Neumann
11:45-12:30	"Diagnosis and control of <i>Aethina tumida</i> in its native range" by CWW Pirk
12:30-13:15	"Small hive beetle control & adjusted management in the USA" by Jeff Pettis
13.15-14.15	Break , with drinks & snacks
14:15-17.30	Round table discussion with beekeeping representatives and speakers
17:30-18:00	Farewell by local officials, beekeeping organizations local organizer and the COLOSS president