

Sheraton Miramar Hotel & Convention Center, Avenida Marina N° 15, Valparaíso, Chile.

Sunday, August 17, 2025

19:00 **Welcome Cocktail**

Location: Palacio Vergara, Errazuriz 563 y 596 interior Parque Quinta

Vergara, Viña del Mar, Chile. Dress code: Informal.

Distance from hotel: Approximately 1.5 kilometers (20 minutes on foot).

Monday, August 18, 2025

Congress Formal Sessions

7:30 Registration

08:30 Welcome

09:00 - 09:15 **Welcome remarks**

Dr. Nelson Vásquez Lara Rector of the Pontificial Catholic University of Valparaíso

09:15 - 09:30 Mr. Nate Jameson

President, International Society of Citrus Nurseries

09:30 - 10:15 Overview of the fruit exporting industry from Chile

Mr. Iván Marambio C. President of Frutas de Chile

10:15 - 10:45 **Coffee Break (Poster Presentations)**

General Overview and updates in the markets for citrus fruits 10:45 - 11:05

> Mr. Giorgio Peirano Independant Consultant Chile

11:10 - 11:30 The Chilean Citrus Producing and Exporting Citrus Industry

> Mr. Juan Enrique Ortúzar, Ms. Cs. President of the Citrus Committee

11:35-11:55 Citrus production in a global unstable climate context

Dr. Fernando Santibáñez, Ph.D. Full Professor, Universidad de Chile

12:00 - 12:20 **Business Considerations in Choosing New Citrus Varieties:**

Navigating Threats and Opportunities

Agr. Joan Chavarria

Agronomic Consultant for de Nova Consulting, Spain.

12:35 - 13:35 **LUNCH-POSTER PRESENTATION**

13:35 – 14:20 The potential industry killer: HLB (Huanglongbing), the role of propagation material.

Dr. Georgios Vidalakis, Dr. Sc.

Professor & UC Extension Specialist in Plant Pathology, Director Citrus Clonal

Protection Program (CCPP), UC Presidential Researcher

14:25-14:45 Impact of HLB – Florida case study Mr. Nate Jameson

President ISCN & Brite Leaf Nursery

14:50 – 15:10 California's approach to HLB threat: Costs and funding Mr. Roger Smith,

ISCN Past President a Senior VP Nursery and Genetics of Tree Source Citrus Nursery).

15:15 – 15:35 **Brazil Citrus Nursery Trees Certification Systems, before and** after HLB.

> Ing. Mr. Cesar Graf Director CitroGraf Brazil.

15:40 – 16:00 **HLB-Resistant Citrus & CRISPR editing** Ing. Yianni Lagos

Co-Founder and CEO at Soilcea

Sponsor Presentation: Vivero El Cultivador Jaime Tapia Dr of agri-food sciences

16:15 – 16:30 **Break**

16:05 – 16:15

20:00 - 23:00

16:30 – 17:20 **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION: Protection strategies: How to** face and financially support this effort; Who should be

involved (industry, growers, nurseries, exporters, government, researchers)

Dr. Georgios Vidalakis - Professor & UC Extension Specialist in Plant

Pathology, Director of Citrus Clonal Protection Program, UC Presidential Researche, Mr. Nate Jameson - President ISCN & Brite Leaf Citrus Nursery. Mr. Roger Smith-ISCN Past President a Senior VP Nursery and Genetics of Tree Source Citrus Nursery, Ing. Mr. Cesar Graf - Director CitroGraf Brazil, **Yianni Lagos** - Co-Founder and CEO at Soilcea. **Fernando Torres**, Head of the Plant Pest Surveillance and Control Subdepartment (SAG).

GALA DINNER

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Tuesday, August 19, 2025

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09:00-09:20 **Orchard Design**

Mr. Joan Chavarria

Agronomic Consultant, Nova Consulting, Spain

09:25-09:45 Citrus: High-density citrus orchards and mechanization

> Ing.Mr. Mauricio Zuñiga Briceño Technical Manager Agromillora Chile

09:50 -10:00 Sponsor Presentation: ANAGRA

Paula Ospina Sánchez

Industrial Microbiologist, Technical Leader HVC by Anagra.

10:00 – 10:30 **Coffee break**

10:30 – 10:50 Nursery tree production with emphasis on Tissue Culture and

Tree development in paper pots style containers.

Ing. Mr. Carlos Bornin

Technical and Commercial Consultant at Agromillora Brazil.

Achieving Grower's needs through citrus breeding. 10:55 – 11:40

The Uruguayan experience.

Dr. Fernando Rivas

Senior Citrus Research Scientist ot the National Agricultural Research

Institute of Uruguay (INIA).

11:45 – 12:05 **New Variety trends and innovative citrus breeding programs**

Dr. Pablo Aleza

Scientist responsible of the tissue culture of the Citriculture & Production

Department of IVIA (Institituto Valenciano de Investigación de Agrarias), Spain

Building blocks of a citrus certification scheme. 12:10 - 12:35 Dr. Michael Nell

CRI South Africa

12:40 – 12:50 Sponsor presentation: Better roots improve nursery

productivity and throughput Mr. Grant Kees

Blackmore Company

12:50 - 13:50 **LUNCH-POSTER PRESENTATION**

13:55 -14:15 Nursery production of inarched trees

Ing. Mr. Jose Lima

CEO of Citrolima Citrus Nursery, California.

14:20 -14:40 **Nursery fertilization and irrigation (water delivery** monitoring, leach analysis, registration and control)

> Mr. Nate Jameson CEO Brite Leaf Citrus Nursery, Florida

14:45 - 15:05 **Autonomous Technologies for Inventory Control**

> Mr. Aaron Dillon CEO Four Winds Nursery, Watsonville, California.

15:10 - 15:30 **Systems Management in a Citrus Nursery**

Mr. Roger Smith ISCN Past President, Senior VP Tree Source Citrus Nursery

15:35 -15:55 Optimizing light supply for citrus growth

Ph. D. Christopher Vincent Assistant Professor at the University of Florida.

16:00 -16:10 **Sponsor presentation: Lyn Citrus Seed Brad Kroeker**

16:15 - 17:05 **Certification Program in Spain**

Dr. Luis Navarro

Research Professor, Instituto Valenciano de Investigaciones Agrarias (IVIA)

16:40 - 17:30 **Closing Ceremony:**

Society Meeting and Handover to new Congress ISCN Executive: Jose Cuenca, Dr. Luis Navarro









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Wednesday, August 20, 2025 Field day

School of Agronomy Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso

Welcome words Director of the Agronomy School, PUCV. Prof. Dr. Sc., Mr. Juan Eugenio Álvaro Martinez-Carrasco

Citrus Germplasm Repository,

Dr. Ximena BesoainFull Professor School of Agronomy PUCV

Citrus Virus & Viroid Diagnosis Unit

Dr. Ximena BesoainFull Professor School of Agronomy PUCV

Avocado Clonal Rootstock Propagation Unit (Production process, infrastructure, propagation trials) Monica Castro Full Professor, School of Agronomy, PUCV

La Palma Citrus Nursery

Quarantine facilities Repository for R.V.P (National Register for Intellectual Property) trial station. Citrus seedlings and plant production

Lunch

Vivero San José

Ornamental citrus nursery Regular citrus nursery Finished clonal avocado and citrus plant nursery

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Thursday, August 21, 2025Field day

Grupo Hijuelas Nursery

Welcome remarks: Ing. Agr. Franco Sannazzaro, General Manager
In vitro propagation laboratory (berries), plant aclimatation, softwood cutting
rooting, LED technologies and in vitro clonal avocado rootstock propagation
Water treatment plant and fertigation systems
Greenhouses for ornamental plants and flowers
Substrate and growing media facilities (to be confirmed)

Citrus Packing Plant – Jorge Schmidt y CIA

Mr. Nicolás Holgrem, Commercial Manager Processing capacity of 2,000 bins per day

Lunchbox

Packing house visiting

Fundo Las Palmas

Ing. Agr.Mrs. Fabienne Laneri, Manager of Sustainability Department Sustainable orchard operations (post-avocado transition)
Beneficial insect laboratory
Interconnected biological corridors
Avocado and native plants nursery
Hillside citrus and avocado orchards
Insular plant concept and its impact on biodiversity
Pollinator insect studies
Conservation Area: 800 hectares of native species (1977 acres)

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