

## **Instructions for mounting posters:**

**Posters should be in maximum size: 150 cm high x 95 cm wide (portrait)**

(it will be impossible accept landscape posters)

(Planta Europa wishes to display as many posters as possible because of the lack of formal presentation time therefore the space for each poster is strictly limited to this size).

**Please, attach to the first page of the poster a passport size photograph of the authors(s) presenting the poster at the conference.** This will enable better communication between the authors and the audience.

Attachment will be by double adhesive tape, “velcro” stickers or blue tack which will be provided for you.

There are no rigid instructions for the format of poster contributions. Please ensure that all posters are clear, simple and legible from a distance of at least 1,5 m. Use a suitable sized font. Do not force too much detail on to tables, a few readily understood numbers are worth much more than detailed statistics – more detail can be included in the paper for publication. Include some large, colourful photographs!

Posters should be in place as soon as possible after registration. There will be two formal poster sessions on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, from 16.00 to 17.00 and from 19.00 to 19.30, and authors are expected to attend this if possible.

## **Preparation of posters for publication after the conference:**

Following the Planta Europa conference we would like to publish your posters as papers electronically on the Planta Europa website. This will save our costs and hopefully ensure that your work reaches a wider audience.

**In general in order for the presentation of your work on the web to be effective, the paper must be easy to 'download'. Please make the document as text based as possible. Complex figures and pictures are not suitable. Remember your full contact details will be on the paper and the readers can always contact you for further information if they wish to.**

- Poster papers should not exceed 4 pages.
- Type face should be "Times New Roman" or "Arial" 12pt typeface, 10pt is acceptable for large tables.
- Scientific names should be italicised.
- All papers should conform to the format laid out as indicated on the example below and in the notes that follow. The conventional structure of a scientific paper may not be appropriate, and structure is left to the discretion of the author.

## Further notes

- Title:** 16pt, bold
- Author's name(s):** Capitals, no full stops. Please supply full address. If possible also email address so readers can contact you for more information.
- Headings:** Main sections, bold, 12pt  
Second level headings, normal, italic 12pt  
Third level headings, normal, underlined
- Summary:** Max 150 words
- Text:** Justified
- Latin names:** in full at first mention in each section.
- Abbreviations:** in full at first mention (e.g. Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB))
- Spacing:** Two spaces between each section.  
Two spaces before and after each table.  
Large tables may be typed in 10pt.  
Leave one line between table column headings and the rest of the table. Tables must also be produced in Microsoft Word or Microsoft Excel. If you use Excel as table editor, include the Excel document.
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- References** Note and follow format shown for references. You may wish to limit these to key references.

Poster Papers should be submitted **as rtf. (rich text format) files** either on 3.5" discs, CDs or by email attachment to:

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***The papers must be received by October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2004 in the format specified above or they will not be published.***

## Example

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### Planta Europa Conference IV

September 2004

## Management for the Conservation of Arable Plant Communities.

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### Summary

Arable plant communities of conservation value can be managed within most farming systems.....

### Introduction

Although there is much uncertainty about the extent of the decline, both the range and the size of populations of many arable plants contracted to a catastrophic extent in Britain during the second half of the 20th century (Smith, 1989; Stewart, *et al*, 1994; Rich & Woodruff, 1995). Species including *Arnoseris minima* and *Bupleurum rotundifolium*.....

#### *Management in field margins*

In conventionally farmed situations, arable plant communities are most species-rich within 4m of the crop margin (Wilson & Aebischer, 1995)(Table 1).

Table 1. Mean numbers of seedlings of arable plant species per m<sup>2</sup> germinating from soil samples collected at 10 distances from the crop edge in seven fields of spring barley (degrees of freedom; 15,488). Significance levels P: \*\*\* P<0.001; \*\* P<0.01; \* P<0.05.

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<i>Aethusa cynapium</i>	3.8	2.9	2.4	1.4	1.4	2.1	1.5	1.6	0.8	0.5	4.2	ns
<i>Fallopia convolvulus</i>	48.2	34.8	24.0	22.7	16.2	18.2	15.6	26.1	26.1	19.8	12.3	*

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