Report of the International Berry School (IBS) INRA Bordeaux, France, mars 2014

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Beside the third meeting of the European project EuBerry, an International Berry School (IBS) was held at INRA Bordeaux, Villenave d'Ornon, France, organised by Dr. Beatrice Denoyes from the 25 to 28 March 2014.

This IBS was concerned by Genomics - Physiology - Cultivation - Quality on Berries. The detailed programme is attached to this document.

A total of 14 students coming from 8 countries (Italy, Lithuanie, Finland, UK, Spain, The Netherlands, France) attended the IBS.

In addition to the students, the 30 participants to the EUBerry meeting were also present in some seminar lectures whereas lab training were organised for students of the IBS.

The programme overlapped thematic from lab to field. New approaches on berries concerned by genetics and genomics such as genomics on berries, molecular control of flowering or epigenetics were presented. Agronomical thematic such as the potential of the plant according to the cultural technique was developed. Biotic stresses in berries were presented. Different aspects of fruit quality and health were included in seminars.

Two lab training were organised on Manipulation of strawberry plant architecture and on Measurements of total antioxidant.

The different seminars were open and slides were included on the web site of the EUBerry project. In conclusion, all students were very positive on this IBS and appreciated the variety of seminars.