



First IAMAW International Symposium:

29 October 2009 - 14:00 to 18:00

Ravezzi 2 room - Hall Sud

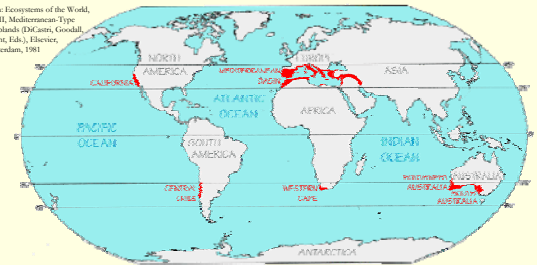
Ecomondo, Rimini, Italy

“Agro-industrial by-products: waste or resource?”

IAMAW is an **international non-profit scientific association**, working in the public interest in the sector of research, instruction and training, to promote issues related to treatment and recycling of Mediterranean waste streams and by-products of agro-industrial activities, in an environmental-sensitive manner.

The term Mediterranean refers to climatic/edaphic condition and not to geographic location.

From: Ecosystems of the World, Vol. II, Mediterranean-Type Shrublands (D.K. Zamora, G. Goldsmith, Spehn, Iñaki), Elsevier, Amsterdam, 1981



■ Areas with mediterranean climate

Aim of the association:

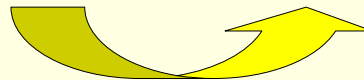
- ✓ **Fostering environmental solutions** for agro-food and forestry by-products, residues, wastes and effluents typical to the Mediterranean region through reduction, treatment, reuse and amelioration. The term Mediterranean refers to climatic region, so that waste problems of other areas in the world, characterised by Mediterranean climate such as parts of Australia, South Africa North and South America will also be addressed.
- ✓ **Promoting knowledge dissemination** and transfer of know-how among members, end-users, stakeholders and to the scientific community.
- ✓ Improving and demonstrating the **feasibility and economic sustainability** of the proposed solutions.
- ✓ Creating **working links** with relevant international bodies, scientific organisations and industrial partners.
- ✓ **Assisting policy-makers** in defining more rational and uniform laws and regulations in the field of Mediterranean waste management.
- ✓ Assisting in the identification of **Best Available Technologies (BAT)**.



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RESOURCE



Target membership

- ✓ scientists
- ✓ graduate students
- ✓ practitioners and end-users
- ✓ stakeholders and corporate members

Scientific disciplines:

- ✓ Applied microbiology and biotechnology
- ✓ Agricultural chemistry and biochemistry
- ✓ Environmental and biochemical engineering
- ✓ Biodiversity and genetic improvement
- ✓ Soil science, Agronomy and horticulture
- ✓ Ecotoxicity and environmental mutagenesis
- ✓ Bio-economy, Risk assessment and LCA
- ✓ Mathematical modelling

Treatment techniques

- ✓ Composting
- ✓ Aerobic, anaerobic and integrated processes
- ✓ Biotechnology, production of biofuels, fine chemicals and biomaterials
- ✓ Biorefineries
- ✓ Bioremediation



The association was recently formally registered in Terni, Italy and the establishment ceremony took place in Chania, Crete, during the **4th European Bioremediation Conference**, 3-6 September.2008

The activity of the association will be based on Bi-annual congresses; Thematic symposia; Specific, regional training courses (“summer schools”); An active Website, to include different electronic networks (fora); Periodic electronic newsletter.

Membership fees 2009-2010

Individual Membership	€ 50.00
Student Membership	€ 20.00
Individual Developing Country Membership	€ 30.00
Institutional or Company Membership	€ 200.00
Honorary Membership	€ 0.00



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