

13th international Symposium on Syrphidae

Fiera di Primiero – Italy 22-27 June 2026

It is a great pleasure to invite you to the 13th International Symposium on Syrphidae (ISS13). The symposium will be held in Fiera di Primiero (TN), located within the Paneveggio-Pale di San Martino Nature Park, in the Italian Alps.

The event will commence on the evening of Monday, 22 June 2026, and conclude on the morning of Saturday, 27 June 2026. The symposium schedule is as follows:

| Arrival | 22 June 2026 | |
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| Symposium | 23-25 June 2026 | |
| Excursion | 26 June 2026 | |
| Departure | 27 June 2026 | |

Contact address



Paneveggio-Pale di San Martino Nature Park

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Registration for ISS13 is now open.

To complete your registration, please fill out the registration form available here.

Payments are possible starting from January 1, 2026. Take advantage of the early registration

discount available until the end of February. Please note that your registration will only be considered

valid once the required fee has been received.

The payment must be made via bank transfer to the UniCredit bank account held by the Parco

Paneveggio-Pale di San Martino Authority.

Following are the bank details:

Bank: UniCredit Bank

Bank account holder: Ente Parco Paneveggio - Pale di San Martino

IBAN code: IT 87 W 02008 05615 000004479811

BIC SWIFT code: UNCRITMM

Please note that the fees paid must be considered net of any bank charges or deductions.

Participation in the conference is limited to a maximum of 100 participants.

Basic registration

Basic fee (including congress, lunches, coffee breaks, welcome dinner and gala dinner) = € 230,00

The basic registration includes:

- Access to all Symposium Sessions
- Coffee breaks and lunches during the sessions.
- Welcome dinner (on Monday, June 22) and gala dinner (on Thursday, June 25).

The basic registration fee does not include accommodation and excursion.

Regular registration

The regular registration fee also includes accomodation. It includes:

- Participation to the congress and to the excursion (on June 26)
- 5- or 4-night stay in a 3-stars hotel (located approx. within a 1.5 km radius of the conference venue)
- All the meals (breakfasts, lunches and dinners, in addition to coffee breaks during the sessions)
- Shuttle service from the train stations of Trento and Feltre (if activated).

* City tax not included

The 5-night stay also includes the excursion.

The **prices** for regular registration are as follows:

SENIOR

Early registration (within February 28, 2026)

| SENIOR | 5 nights | 4 nights |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| single room | € 850,00 | € 750,00 |
| double room | € 750,00 | € 650,00 |
| multiple room (triple or quadruple) | € 650,00 | € 550,00 |

Late registration (from March 1, 2026)

| SENIOR | 5 nights | 4 nights |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| single room | € 950,00 | € 850,00 |
| double room | € 850,00 | € 750,00 |
| multiple room (triple or quadruple) | € 750,00 | € 650,00 |

JUNIOR

Early registration (within February 28, 2026)

| JUNIOR | 5 nights | 4 nights |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| single room | € 750,00 | € 700,00 |
| double room | € 650,00 | € 600,00 |
| multiple room (triple or quadruple) | € 550,00 | € 500,00 |

Late registration (from March 1, 2026)

| JUNIOR | 5 nights | 4 nights |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| single room | € 850,00 | € 800,00 |
| double room | € 750,00 | € 700,00 |
| multiple room (triple or quadruple) | € 650,00 | € 600,00 |

In the registration form, you can let us know who you want to be accommodated with.

A limited number of single rooms are available at the hotel, and will be assigned in order of registration.

Alternatively, several other hotels are available in Fiera di Primiero and surrounding villages.

For any information about accommodations, please contact the Tourist Office in Fiera di Primiero:

+39 0439 62407

infoprimiero@sanmartino.com

https://www.sanmartino.com/

The junior registration is available for pre-graduate students as well as Ph.D. students. Students must submit a letter from their supervisor / advisor / head of department on a university letterhead confirming their status as full-time students. Such letter / certificate must be sent at the time of registration by e-mail to syrphidae13@gmail.com, with subject "Student_YourName_Surname".

Special packages are available for accompanying persons (family members of delegates etc.). We kindly ask you to contact the organizing committee as soon as possible (<u>syrphidae13@gmail.com</u>) to receive a personalized offer.

Binocular microscopes will be available for delegates wishing to examine specimens in the Symposium rooms.

Excursion

The excursion will be held in Val Canali (GPS: 46.2019N, 11.8571E), in the Paneveggio-Pale di San Martino Nature Park, which is a spectacular protected area in the heart of the Dolomites, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Dominated by the dramatic spires of the Pale di San Martino massif, the park offers a stunning alpine landscape. Its diverse ecosystems range from the iconic Paneveggio Forest - famous for its resonance spruce used in violin making - to high-altitude meadows, glacial lakes, and rugged peaks. The park is home to rich wildlife including red deer, chamois, marmots, and golden eagles, and hosts over 1,000 species of lichens and a wide variety of alpine flora.

The excursion will consist of guided tour in the strictly protected areas, where insect collecting is prohibited. The excursion will be guided by personnel from the park, who will provide insights into the area's natural features.

As the excursion takes place within a protected area, insect collecting is not permitted. In 2025, however, the park launched a research project focused on Syrphidae fauna. As part of this initiative, a

limited number of permits may be exceptionally granted for collections aimed at supporting the project. Participants interested in contributing are kindly asked to contact the organizing committee for further information.

The excursion fee is <u>included</u> in the 5-night Accommodation solution. If you are interested to take part to the excursion but planning to use the 4-night Accommodation solution, please let us know by answering the specific question in the registration form.

Abstract submission and presentation details

Abstract submission starts immediately. Abstracts are required for both oral and poster presentations. They must be submitted by e-mail to syrphidae13@gmail.com, with subject "Abstract_YourName_Surname". Please, send the abstracts in an attached file in an editable format (e.g. doc, docx, odt) until 20th April 2026.

Each abstract has a limit of 250 words (only text, exlc. names and affiliations). Only registered delegates abstracts will be considered for presentations. The abstracts will be proceeded to Scientific Committee for a review. We primarilly recommend to present just one contribution per delegate. If you have more topics to present, let us know via e-mail and Scientific Committee will make the decision.

Oral presentations should take 10 minutes followed by a 5 minute discussion. Presentations should be in Microsoft PowerPoint format saved as ppt or pptx, or in a pdf file.

Posters can be in formats up to A0. Poster boards and mounting materials will be available during the first day of the symposium.

Location

Fiera di Primiero is a charming alpine town nestled in the eastern Trentino region of northern Italy. Historically a center for ironworking and trade during the late Middle Ages, it flourished thanks to its strategic location and rich natural resources. Today, it stands as a gateway to one of the most stunning natural areas in the Dolomites: the Paneveggio-Pale di San Martino Nature Park. Surrounded by dramatic peaks, dense spruce forests, and pristine alpine meadows, Fiera di Primiero offers visitors a unique blend of cultural heritage and breathtaking landscapes. Its proximity to the Pale di San Martino massif makes it an ideal base for hiking, nature observation, and geological exploration. The town's harmonious integration with its environment reflects a deep commitment to sustainability and the preservation of mountain traditions.

Transport and other practical information

Fiera di Primiero is accessible by public transport. The nearest airports are Treviso (approx. 90 km), Bolzano (approx. 97 km), and Venice Marco Polo (approx. 123 km). From these airports, reaching Fiera di Primiero typically involves a combination of train and bus services, often with multiple transfers. From the airport the best way to reach Fiera di Primiero is by train until Feltre or Trento, followed by a regional bus to Primiero - San Martino di Castrozza, Passo Rolle. The organizing committee will provide a dedicated shuttle service from Trento or Feltre to Fiera di Primiero, and back. Details about the shuttle schedule and booking procedures will be shared in due course. If you are interested in the possibility of having this shuttle service, please let us know by answering the specific question in the registration form.

Foreign nationals intending to visit Italy should familiarize themselves with the visa requirements for entry into the country. Italy is a member of the Schengen Area, which allows citizens of certain countries to enter without a visa for short stays of up to 90 days within a 180-day period. Additionally, Italy has visa-free agreements with several other countries, including the United States, Canada, Australia, Japan, South Korea, and many others.

Citizens of EU countries that are not part of the Schengen Area – such as Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, and Romania – do not require a visa for short-term stays in Italy. However, it's important to note that entry rules may differ from those of Schengen countries, and travelers are strongly advised to verify their specific requirements.

You can consult the list of countries whose citizens must apply for a visa. For detailed information on visa requirements and application procedures, please visit the official website of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

https://www.esteri.it/en/sportello_info/domandefrequenti/sezione_visti_entrare_in_italia/

https://www.esteri.it/en/servizi-consolari-e-

visti/ingressosoggiornoinitalia/visto ingresso/paesi soggetti visto/

The currency of Italy is Euro. Credit cards or Debit cards are accepted in almost all shops and in the majority of restaurants and pubs, but some exceptions can be found. Travelers holding non-euro currencies are advised to exchange them at the airport, as currency exchange services may be limited in Fiera di Primiero.

More detailed informations will be provided in Third Circular.

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We are looking forward to meeting you in Italy!