



SAVE THE DATE
 Monday Morning - July 19th
 to Friday lunchtime 23rd of July 2027
 (Residents can book in on
 Sunday afternoon/evening of the 18th of July)
 Opening ceremony will take place at 7 p.m.
 On Sunday evening the 18th.



We are delighted to announce that the 2027
 FIBKA Beekeeping Summer Conference
 is back at our old venue
 Gormanston Park, Gormanston, Co Meath
 K32 NH30 located only 20 mins north of Dublin Airport

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is en-suite and single rooms.
 There are a limited number of en-suite rooms available so early
 booking is essential.
 Booking will be available on Eventbrite later.
 In the meantime to secure your place contact
 The Conference Manager:- Michael G Gleeson
 email: mGGLEEGM@gmail.com Tel No 00353 (0)87 6879584





Guest Speaker
CECILIA COSTA

Cecilia is based in Bologna Italy and has a degree in Agricultural Science and a PhD in Agricultural Biotechnologies. She fell in love with honey bees as a teenager and started her career keeping bees and working in a local beekeepers' association.

She then won a position in the Bee Team of CREA, the Italian Agricultural Research Council, where she has been working for over 20 years, focusing on honey bee breeding and biodiversity of the Italian subspecies *Apis mellifera ligustica* and *Apis mellifera siciliana*, with special attention to disease resistance traits, genotype-environment interactions and factors affecting the development and welfare of bee colonies.

She is strongly involved in "COLOSS Association for the prevention of honey bee colony losses and is coordinating an EU Horizon project. She is author of about 70 publications and a frequent lecturer at beekeeping conferences.

COURSE CONTENT

The annual beekeeping Summer Conference now in its 79th year embraces all levels of beekeeping from the beginner to the more experienced beekeeper. The conference includes the most recent developments and scientific data available in Apiculture.

All levels of beekeeping are available for the week -

Beginners/ Novice level, Intermediate and Senior.

A variety of workshops that includes

Beeswax/Microscopy/Encaustic art/Queen rearing

Use of Apidea/Queen grafting / Mead making

Sweet making cooking with honey etc.

Practical hive demonstrations and guided tours of the beautiful grounds of the venue are provided.

All levels of FIBKA examination from Preliminary to Senior plus Honey Judge exams are catered for.



THE NATIONAL HONEY SHOW

Again this year kindly sponsored by Bord Bia is held during the week attracting exhibitors from far and near.



SOCIAL EVENTS

On Wednesday people can relax and enjoy a monster social night with dancing until late. Thursday hosts the very popular Table Quiz. The awards ceremony concludes the event on Friday before departure.