## **Invitation**

Dear Member of the I. E. S.,

Herewith we invite you as Member of the International Euphorbia Society to join the 10th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the I. E. S. The meeting will take place on Saturday September 13<sup>h</sup>, 2014 at 14.00h local time at Blankenberge, Belgium. Host for this event is the Holiday Centre Duinse Polders (see <a href="https://www.duinsepolders.be">www.duinsepolders.be</a> for specifics).

The AGM will be held during the 48th Cactus & Succulent Plant Sales Fair, organized by the Europese Landen Konferentie (ELK) Committee, planned for the period 12-13-14 September 2014 at the Holiday Centre Duinse Polders in Blankenberge. Besides attending the I. E. S. meeting, visiting this important international fair we recommend as a very interesting experience (see <a href="https://www.elkcactus.eu">www.elkcactus.eu</a> for programme).

At the meeting mentioned above the adventures of the I. E.S during the past year will be evaluated on hand of reports of the responsible Committee Officers; if needed, Officers will be reelected; proposals for existing or new activities will be discussed

With best regards,

Committee of the International Euphorbia Society.

## **Agenda**

- 1. Opening.
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> AGM of September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 (see website).
- 3. Brief reports from the Chairman (Rikus van Veldhuisen), Secretary (Pjotr Lawant), Treasurer & Membership Administrator (Bob Potter),), Editor (Volker Buddensiek), Publicity Officer (Thomas Cammaerts), General Support Officer (Christian Blenn) and the Curator of the Reference Collection (Jaap Keijzer).
- 4. Discussion about the foregoing reports.
- 5. Composition of Officers of the I. E. S. Committee; if needed (re-)elections.
- 6. Convention in the Botanic Garden Meise, May 16th-17th, 2015
- 7. How to increase the number of subscribers.
- 8. Other activities of the I. E. S.
- 9. Questions; discussion.
- 10. Conclusion and closure of the AGM.

## **Convention at the Botanic Garden Meise**

In 2015 the I. E.S. will exist 10 years and that calls for a celebration! To commemorate this jubilee the I. E. S. organizes an anniversary convention on May 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Botanic Garden Meise, in Meise near Brussels, Belgium. The anniversary committee, led by I. E. S. Officer Thomas Cammaerts, is doing fairly well by making up the events which the participants of the convention may enjoy: lectures by well-known *Euphorbia* specialists, a plant show and plant sale, guided tours to see the famous collections of the botanic garden, and enough time to get in touch with fellow participants. The cost of attending the convention entered into negotiations, they will be published in due course. The anniversary committee is also searching for possible accommodations in the neighbourhood, if needed. More specifics about the composition of the programme and how to entry the convention will be announced at the next AGM; but also watch out for the I. E. S. website: www.euphorbia-international.org! We count on you.