



European Wireworm Research Network

EWRN Workshop July 5th 2026 – Nordic Art Hotel Lasaretti Oulu, Finland

Registration	8:30 – 8:45
Opening remarks	8:45 – 9:00
Session 1: Control options for wireworms	9:00 – 11:15
Keynote speaker: Jörn Lehmhus (Julius Kühn Institute, Germany) - Wireworm biology and control options - a German perspective	9:00 – 9:40
Presentations:	
Anne Mürk (Estonian University of Life Sciences, Estonia) – Video tracking analysis reveals insecticide effects in wireworms (<i>Agriotes spp.</i>)	9:40 – 10:00
Mattia Chiarini (University of Bologna, Italy) - Wireworm sensitivity to attract-and-kill formulations in potato	10:00 – 10:20
Lorenzo Furlan (Veneto Agricoltura, Italy) – Can sorghum cultivars with high dhurrin content be effective in reducing wireworm damage in susceptible crops?	10:20 – 10:40
Philippe Larroude (Arvalis, France) - Alternative bait strategies for wireworm control in maize crops	10:40 – 11:00
Patrick Hann (MELES, Austria) – Development of predictive models for wireworm species in Austria	11:00 – 11:20
Graham Tomalin (VCS Potatoes, UK) – Potato varietal susceptibility: identifying differences and genetic markers for resistance.	11:20 - 11:40
Lunch break	11:40 – 13:15
Session 2: Modelling, varietal assessments, and national strategies	13:15 – 14:15
Keynote speaker: Hilfred Huiting (Wageningen University & Research, the Netherlands) – Progress towards better prediction of wireworm damage as part of Integrated Crop Management	13:15 – 13:55
Poster pitches (5 minutes each):	
Willem Desmedt (Flanders Research Institute for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Belgium) - Estimating and explaining wireworm damage risk in potato at the field level,	
Larissa Collins (FERA Science, UK) – Wireworms: Integrated Pest Management ENIGMA Projects,	
Martyn Cox (Blackthorn Arable, UK) – Emerging Wireworm Threats in Scotland: Distribution, Damage, and IPM Implications,	13:55 – 14:15
Camille Puech (Inov3PT, France) – Cropping system innovation for wireworm management.	
Valentina Lember (BioCare, Germany) - Lessons learned from nine years of wireworm field trials with ATTRACAP	
Session 3: interactive workshop	14:15 – 17:45
Introduction, idea generation and topic selection	14:15 – 15:00
Coffee break	15:00 – 15:30
World café: rotating discussions	15:30 – 17:15
Plenary session and panel discussion	17:15 – 17:45
Concluding remarks and group picture	17:45 – 18:00