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Dear ISA Members,

To get up to date with ISA activities:

In the publications section, putting past conferences onto the new site is almost complete. We hope you will find this useful and it will simplify site maintenance.

*Helia* will continue to be available on the site to ISA members. The exact organisation of this is in progress. We should be able to give you all the details in the next 3 months.

Do provide us with summaries of your new publications; these are available in the news section.

We would also like you to send photographs for the library.

The next conference will be in Edirne (western Turkey) at the beginning of June 2016.

The first announcement should be available soon after the next ISA board meeting, also at Edirne, on February 16th 2015.

We will need to have proposals for the location of the 2020 Conference by the end of 2015 so do let the secretariat know if you are interested in its organization.

We will also need nominations for the Pustovoit awards to be made in 2016, again for the end of 2015, so start thinking of who you would like to propose.

After the very successful symposium on Orobanche organized by the team at Cordoba, Spain (especially Leonardo Velasco), no symposia are planned for 2015. This may be because, in many public institutions there have been considerable changes with many retirements and the young staff may need some time to do their research before organizing a symposium on their subject.

For scientists who retire, do remember to tell the secretariat (Laurencine Lot) if you wish to remain an ISA member, noted « Honorary Members ». This is free if you have paid at least 4 years membership.

For active members, do let us know if you would be interested to organize a symposium in the period 2015-2019. Also, even if you are not yet ready to organize a symposium, do let us know the subjects for which you feel it would be useful to have this type of meeting.

We would like to wish you all a Happy and Successful New Year 2015,

Felicity Vear, general secretary &

Laurencine Lot. secretariat

