

Dr Juan Dominguez Giménez

Juan Dominguez has worked on sunflower since his post graduate studies in the US and has produced (and is still producing) a large number of international publications, in particular concerning broomrape and downy mildew resistance and oil quality. He has developed and made available many important genetic resources.

Dr. Dominguez (IFAPA-Junta de Andalucía, Spain) has played a mayor role in the development of sunflower cultivation in Spain with major contributions in breeding and agronomy of oil crops mainly sunflower, having a broad experience of more than 35 years, in this activity. He has actively participated in the development and release of a number of inbred lines and cultivars and has also made significant scientific contributions in the field of sunflower genetics and breeding. Dr. Dominguez has been for many years a key figure in international collaboration, with European Union programmes, bilateral collaboration and thesis students from many countries.

He has participated actively in the FAO European Cooperative Research Network on Sunflower.

Additionally, he was a member of the ISA board for several years and in charge of organizing the past International Sunflower Conference in 2008 in Cordoba, Spain, becoming then ISA-President from 2004 to 2008.