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PRE CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

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Sunday, May 24, 2026

Bologna Congress Center,
Piazza della Costituzione, 4

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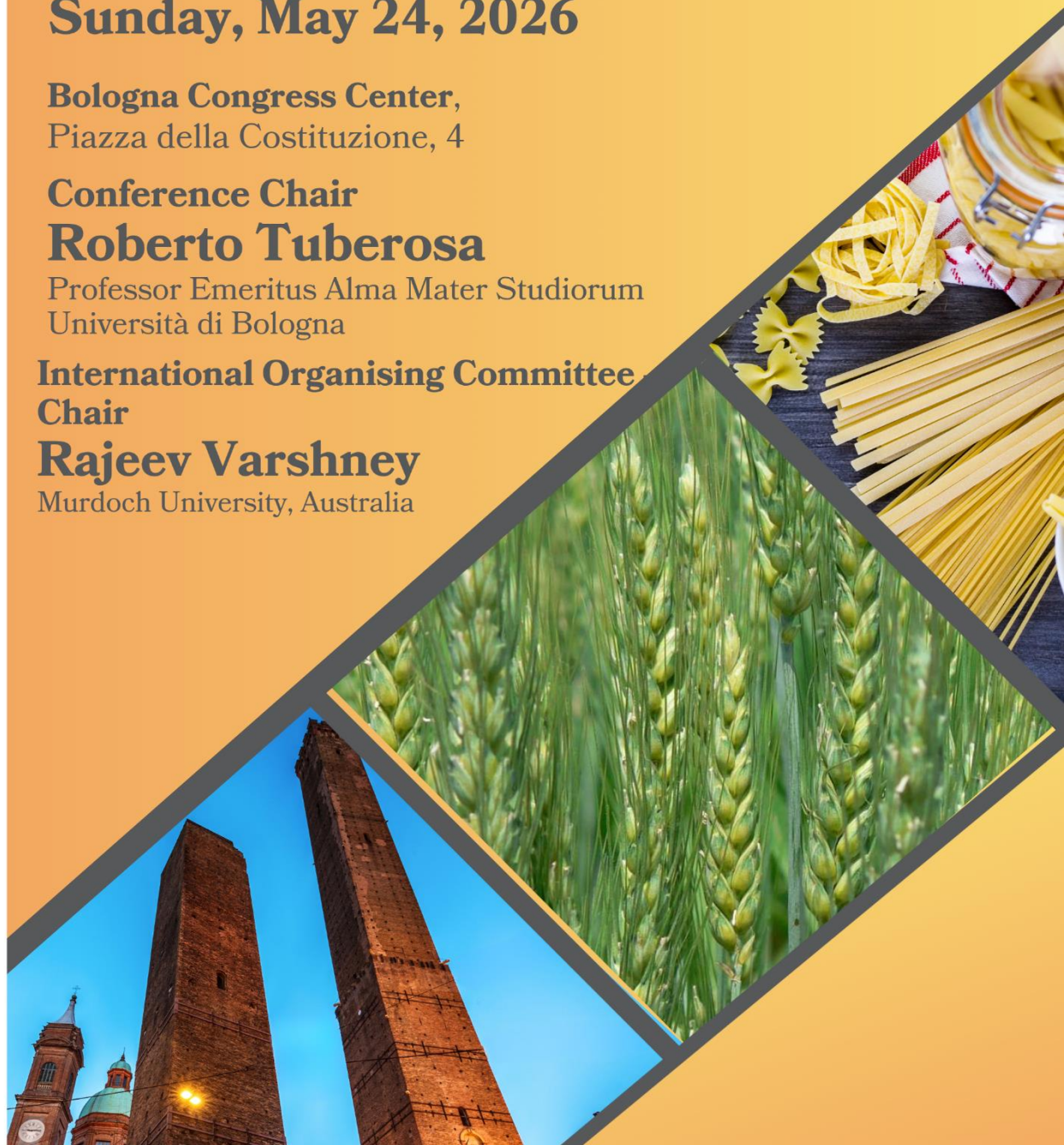
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ANNUAL AHEAD WORKSHOP

ROOM 8

13:30 - 18:00



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BOLOGNA, ITALY - MAY 25-29, 2026

Pre-conference Workshops
Sunday, 24 May 2026

6th Annual AHEAD Workshop

Room 8

Chair: Stefanie Hagemann (AHEAD)

Our Associated Programme the Alliance for Wheat Adaptation to Heat and Drought presents:

6th Annual AHEAD Workshop at 4th International Wheat Congress, Bologna, Italy
During this workshop, we would like to use the collective expertise of international experts to discuss breeding strategies for adapting wheat to heat and drought, and to collect information on the requirements for germplasm exchange of resilient varieties. As discussions about these topics have been raised in the AHEAD Network and the WI EWGs, we would like to jointly discuss about them, inform ourselves about our activities on these topics, and perhaps plan future joint discussions or activities. There will be an opportunity to hold interactive discussions in mixed groups during the breakout session at the end of this workshop. We are looking forward to implement the outcomes of these discussions in our future activities.



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6th Annual AHEAD Workshop - 2026 Preliminary Agenda: Session Topics (Speakers)

Keynote: Greg Rebetzke

1: EWG Shorts: Chairs /Co-chairs of Wheat Initiative Expert Working groups give a short insight into the activities of their EWG

(Speakers tbd)

2: Breeding of physiological traits: (2 Experts, 1 Early Career Researcher, tbd)

3: Germplasm: (2 Experts, 1 Early Career Researcher, tbd)

4: Breakout Session: The Breakout Session will give room to discuss the issues raised in Session 2 and 3. (All participants)

Are you interested in AHEAD have look at opportunitites to join:

<https://www.ahead-wheat.org/>