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Plant Breeders Conference in Miami This Fall

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Fairchild Tropical Botanical Garden in Miami (Coral Gables, actually) will be the venue of the 11th Independent Plant Breeders Conference November 16-18. It's being hosted by the UF/IFAS Tropical Research & Education Center in Homestead.

This conference offers an excellent opportunity for plant breeders, industry partners and experts to get together to capitalize on the growing demand for new crops in the U.S. You'll gain valuable insights into commercialization and partnerships, networking, feedback and innovation in plant breeding. And you'll get to tour Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, a world-renowned leader in tropical plant conservation and research.

The conference includes:

- Tours of the diverse nursery production operations at Costa Farms, unique tropical agriculture research facilities at UF/IFAS and a one-of-a-kind commercial orchid production nursery
- A welcome dinner and social mixer at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
- A one-and-a-half-day program featuring speakers, student poster presentations and networking opportunities
- Complimentary daytime access to Fairchild

Sponsorship information is available on the conference website. The organizers sincerely appreciate your continuous support, and welcome suggestions for program topics and recommendations for potential speakers.

[Go to the website](#) for more information. **GT**