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It’s time to register for the International Symposium on Mechanical Harvesting & Handling Systems of Fruits and Nuts, April 2-4, 2012, at the CREC, Lake Alfred. We already have committed speakers from all over the world! There are keynote presentations on **Mechanical Harvesting Transformations in Worldwide Olives** with speakers from Australia and Spain along with **Consumer Acceptance of Mechanically vs. Hand-Harvested Table Olives** in California. This is a great opportunity for Florida citrus growers to learn the latest on worldwide mechanical harvesting.

Featured are **Worldwide Orchard Designs for the Future of Mechanical Harvesting, Abscission Aids, Robotic Harvesting and Grading** from Japan and **Collaborative Efforts for Harvester Development and Commercialization** in the US. The current program and registration are at <http://citrusmh.ifas.ufl.edu>. \$50 discount if you register early-- space is limited so register now.