



## ILS 2020 Convention Keynote speakers



Richard Poulin, Head of Communications Division, Ville de Saint-Georges will be the keynote speaker on June 5<sup>th</sup> at 14h30.

Saint-Georges: New jewel among Quebec cities

City of Saint-Georges has made great strides in landscaping over the past 25 years. Development of the many trails in its parks, transformation of a quarry into a tourist island, the establishment of a huge lilac museum, the development of a collection of

peonies, the transformation of its city center, Saint-Georges is now a city in full bloom.



Наталья Савенко (Natalia Savenko), General Director of a gardening company and lilac aficionado, Russia, will be the keynote speaker on June  $6^{th}$  at 10-11h.

Features of botanical gardens and their lilac collections.

Natalia will present lilacs that most impressed her in the many gardens she visited around the world (Ukrainian, Russian, French, Polish, Latvian, Belarusian, American, Canadian). She

will also address the issues and problems that face Russian lilac enthusiasts and possible method of solving them. She will present her new book, how and why it was written.



Jérôme Giguère, Technical advisor for Premier Tech Horticulture and Agriculture Group will be the keynote speaker on June 6th at 16-17h

Mycorrhizae, much more than just a fungus.

He will explain how this fungus associates with plants and describe all the benefits to plants with which they interact and its role in horticulture and agriculture. In addition, he will address other related topics and answer participants' questions.