



Submissions sought for 2008 AAEA & ACCI Joint Annual Meeting

Principal Paper Sessions

Proposals for Principal Paper sessions are invited for the 2008 AAEA & ACCI Joint Annual Meeting. To qualify as a Principal Paper author, co-author, or discussant in 2008 the proposed authors, co-authors, and discussants may not have participated in the 2007 or 2006 Annual Meetings with a principal paper as author, co-author, or discussant. Papers and discussions in these Principal Paper sessions are published in the fifth issue of the *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*. Regular page charges will apply. Proposals from individuals or groups must be received in the AAEA office by Dec. 3, 2007.

Proposals will be evaluated by how well they satisfy the following criteria:

- Proposed sessions formats will generally involve either two papers with two discussants or three papers with one discussant. Four paper sessions will not be accepted.
- The proposed session supports the objective of the Association to further the development and dissemination of systematic knowledge of agricultural economics.
- The importance of the session is well-justified.
- The proposed papers are innovative and likely to generate meaningful discussion during the presentation as well as interest in the printed version.
- The presenter and discussants are likely to prepare papers that make a contribution to the objective and present them in a clear and informative manner.
- The session theme and paper topics are not repetitive of themes and/or topics previously addressed in principal paper sessions.
- The set of sessions will appeal to a broad spectrum of the membership.

Proposals should include session title, topics to be covered, a brief rationale for the topics, titles, and two-page abstracts of each proposed paper and names and addresses of authors, discussants, and moderators.

Presenters must be members of AAEA and must be registered to attend the Annual Meeting. Abstracts should be submitted through the link on the AAEA Web site (www.aaea.org) to the ScholarOne Web site by Dec. 3, 2007.

Issue/Interest Track Sessions from Sections

The AAEA Executive Board invites issue/interest track proposals for the 2008 AAEA & ACCI Joint Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla. Proposals must be received by Dec. 3, 2007.

Tracks are multiple sessions (minimum of three related sessions are required) submitted by sections, scheduled throughout the meeting and devoted to a particular interest area or topic. The proposal must include the names of the organizers with addresses, phone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses. The proposal description should include the objective of the track, target audience, and the number of sessions requested.

If the proposed track includes organized symposia, complete proposals for each of these sessions must be included. For organized symposia criteria, see the call for organized symposia on page 5 of the September/October issue of *The Exchange*. Any principal paper included in the track must be submitted to the principal paper competition.

Please submit proposals by Dec. 3, 2007, through the link on the AAEA Web site (www.aaea.org) to the ScholarOne Web site. Attachments should be in MS Word format. For more information, contact the AAEA office at (414) 918-3190.

Pre/Post Conference Workshops

The AAEA Executive Board invites proposals for pre- and post-conference workshops at the 2008 AAEA & ACCI Joint Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla. The deadline for proposals is Dec. 3, 2007. Selections will be finalized at the AAEA Executive Board meeting in early January and organizers will be notified by the President.

Submissions will be judged on the merits of the proposal and the space and time available at the Annual Meeting. Organizers will work with the AAEA Business Office to develop a budget for final approval at the winter board meeting.

The proposals should address the following points: objectives of the workshop/conference; timeliness of the subject/topic; intended audience and expected attendance; planned follow-up/publications/outreach activities; details on the subject area (including potential presentations, speakers, total time required, etc.); contact information for workshop organizers in charge of overall development and coordination (complete addresses, phone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses); complete budget information (including financial support expected, speakers' fees, catering needs, administrative fees, and other income and costs); and any requests for membership and/or registration waivers.

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