2016 AAEA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA
Fellows & Award Winners

Thank you to the Awards Committee Chair, Jaclyn Kropp of the University of Florida, and Board Liaison, Hayley Chouinard of Washington State University, Bidisha Mandal of Washington State University, and all who graciously volunteered their time and efforts to serve on an AAEA Award Committee!

Class of 2016 Fellows
- Klaus W. Deininger, World Bank
- Jikun Huang, Peking University
- Madhu Khanna, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- John A. Miranowski, Iowa State University
- Junjie Wu, Oregon State University

Undergraduate Student Section Awards
- Academic Bowl
  - First Place: University of Kentucky
    - Daniella Straathof
    - Erica Rogers
    - April Winebarger
  - Second Place: Clemson University
    - Jonathan Lawing
    - Cody White
    - McCauley Frierson
  - Third Place: Iowa State University
    - Kyle Bates
    - Nate Christenson
    - Drew Mogler
- Outstanding Paper Competition
  - First Place: Jason Xiao, Purdue University
  - Second Place: Meaghan Shaughnessy, Clemson University

Graduate Student Section Awards
- Graduate Student Case Study Competition
  - First Place: Oklahoma State Orange, advised by Chan Jin Chung
    - Kelsey Conley
    - Jacob Manlove
    - Bart Niyibizi
  - Second Place: Kansas State, advised by Aleksan Shanoyan
    - Pacem Kotchofa
    - Bowen Chen
    - Ralph Ama
  - Third Place: GA–Purdue, advised by Cesar Escalante
    - Luis Moisés Peña–Lévano, Purdue University
    - Grace Rocio Mélo, University of Georgia
- Graduate Student Extension Competition
  - First Place: Savanna Lyons, Iowa State University, mentored by Georgeanne Artz and Keri Jacobs
  - Second Place: Anders Van Sandt, Colorado State University, mentored by Dawn Thilmany
Third Place: Luis Moisés Peña–Lévano, Purdue University, mentored by Cesar Escalante

Finalists:
- Patrick Kanza, Oklahoma State University
- Abdelaziz Lawani, University of Kentucky
- Jacob Manlove, Oklahoma State University
- Christopher Sims, University of Arkansas
- Jin Yi, Texas A&M University

**Outstanding Master’s Thesis Award**
- Rachel Bernstein, University of California, Davis
  “In Pursuit of the Transformational Sum: Lottery and Savings in Haiti”

Honorable Mention
- Awa Sanou, Michigan State University
  “Technology Adoption when Risk Attitudes Matter: Evidence from Incentivized Field Experiments in Niger”

**Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation**
- Casey Wichman, University of Maryland
  “Information and Environmental Policy”
- Matthew Clancy, Iowa State University
  “Combinatorial Innovation, Evidence from Patent Data, and Mandated”

**Distinguished Teaching Awards**
- Less than Ten Years’ Experience
  - Jason Bergtold, Kansas State University
- Undergraduate Teaching: Ten or More Years’ Experience
  - Andrew Barkley, Kansas State University
- Graduate Teaching: Ten or More Years’ Experience

**Distinguished Extension/Outreach Program Awards**
- Individual: Less than Ten Years’ Experience
  - Rebekka Dudensing, Texas A&M
- Individual: Ten or More Years’ Experience
  - Joe Outlaw, Texas A&M
- Group
  - “Farm Policy Decision Aid”
    Joe Outlaw, Texas A&M University;
    Henry Bryant, Texas A&M University;
    Brian Herbst, Texas A&M University;
    George Knapke, Texas A&M University;
    Marc Raulston, Texas A&M University;
    James Richardson, Texas A&M University;
    Craig Wellington; Texas A&M University;
    Scott Gerlt, University of Missouri;
    Patrick Westhoff, University of Missouri;
    Peter Zimmel, University of Missouri;
    Mark Althouse, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign;
    Ryan Batts, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Jonathan Coppess, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Stu Ellis, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Andrew Goers, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Scott Irwin, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Nick Paulson, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Gary Schnitkey, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Bruce Sherrick, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; J. Roy Black, Michigan State University; John Clendaniel, Delaware State University; Albert Essel, Delaware State University; Carl Zulauf, The Ohio State University
Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis

- “Benefit–Cost Analysis of the Yakima Basin Integrated Plan Projects”
  Jonathan Yoder, Washington State University, the State of Washington Water Research Center; Jennifer Adam, Washington State University; Michael Brady, Washington State University; Joseph Cook, University of Washington; Stephen Katz, Washington State University; Daniel Brent, Louisiana State University; Shane Johnston, University of Washington; Keyvan Malek, Washington State University; John McMillan, McMillan Biological Consulting and Media; Qingqing Yang, Washington State University

Quality of Communication Award

- Andrew Barkley, Kansas State University; Paul Barkley, Oregon State University “Depolarizing Food and Agriculture: An Economic Approach”

Honorable Mention


Elizabeth Beaulieu, USDA–Economic Research Service; Shellye Suttles, USDA–Economic Research Service “Trends in U.S. Local and Regional Food Systems”

Quality of Research Discovery Award

- Philip Garcia, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Scott Irwin, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign; Aaron Smith, University of California, Davis “Future Market Failure?”

Publication of Enduring Quality Award

- Thomas Hertel, Purdue University “Global Trade Analysis: Modeling and Applications”

Outstanding American Journal of Agricultural Economics Article Award


Honorable Mention

Outstanding *Applied Economic Perspectives & Policy* Article Award


Outstanding Choices Article

  “Russia’s Economic Crisis and its Agricultural and Food Economy” *Choices* (2015) 30 (1st Quarter)

Honorable Mention

- Aude Teillant, Princeton University; Ramanan Laxminarayan, Center for Disease Dynamics, Economics and Policy, Princeton University
  “Economics of Antibiotic Use in U.S. Swine and Poultry Production”, *Choices* (2015) 30 (1st Quarter)
- Zhengfei Guan, University of Florida; Feng Wu, University of Florida; Fritz Roka, University of Florida; Alicia Whidden, University of Florida
  “Agricultural Labor and Immigration Reform”, *Choices* (2015) 30 (4th Quarter)

Presidential Recognition Award for Special Service to the Association

- Caron Gala, *The Council on Food, Agriculture, and Resource Economics*

AAEA Trust Sponsored Awards

**Anthony Grano Scholarship**

- Jason Holderiath, Colorado State University
- Candice Wilson, Kansas State University

**Sylvia Lane Mentor Fellowship**

- Moriah Bostian, Lewis and Clark College

**Uma Lele Mentor Fellowship**

- Ope Ayinde, University of Ilorin

**Chester O. McCorkle Jr. Student Scholarship**

- Jongwook Lee, University of Minnesota
- Chinoso Etumnu, University of San Francisco

**AARES–AAEA Young Professional Exchange Program**

- Heading North Award
  - Zachary Dorner, Monash University
- Heading South Award
  - Kevin Novan, University of California, Davis
Agri-food systems in Europe and elsewhere often face conflicting incentives and signals arising from markets and society, and need to make trade-offs. Sustainability advocacy groups are putting societal concerns like animal welfare, food safety, cultural heritage, food sovereignty, and carbon footprint on the agenda of policy makers and stakeholders in the food value chain. However, there are many challenges to overcome, especially when more sustainable food systems face conflicting goals, and households' purchasing decisions are mainly price driven.

Policy makers, therefore, face increasing challenges in balancing these concerns. The nature of challenges has changed over time with new technologies becoming available, with the ongoing innovation and transition to the bio-based economy, with an increasing share of the population living in urban areas, and with many markets becoming global. Some of these changes are subtle as borders between rural and urban areas are gradually disappearing, and cities are integrating agricultural activities within their boundaries.

The European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE) scientific community is key to providing insights into the economic challenges and opportunities arising from the changing expectations and requirements from markets and society on agriculture. The XV EAAE Congress aims to foster discussion and interaction among scholars with representatives from business, society and policy agencies.

The EAAE board has appointed the Program Committee to organize the scientific program of the Congress. The Local Organizing Committee and the Program Committee are striving to arrange a very stimulating and innovative Congress program consisting of organized sessions, organized panels, invited plenary presentations, contributed papers, and posters as well as field trips.

In particular, policy makers, societal stakeholders, and agribusiness representatives shall contribute to the program through organized panels which have an open format and do not require a scientific paper. Organized panels could be thought of a sort of “round table” discussion, moderated by an “external” figure to the presenting/debating panelists, which may also feature one or two presentations by academics. A formal scientific paper is not required to encourage the participation by NGOs, producer/industry groups representatives, or any other stakeholder who may not be accustomed to submitting a formal paper. A four person panel, in which academia, industry, NGO/stakeholder/societal groups and policy representatives are present and deliver their presentation/speech for 15 minutes each, may be the best format. The remaining 30 minutes could be employed for discussion – solicited by the moderator – or for answering questions from the audience. In order to facilitate stakeholder participation to the organized panels daily participation fees will be foreseen, in case a one day presence is anticipated. Hopefully, the XV EAAE Congress in Parma will provide an interactive platform for researchers and representatives from non-academic institutions.
Call for papers, organized sessions, and posters
Contributed papers and posters as well as organized sessions are welcomed from all fields of agricultural, food, environmental and rural economics, and related disciplines.

The deadlines for submission are:
- Contributed papers: **January 31, 2017**
- Organized sessions: **March 15, 2017**
- Organized panels: **March 15, 2017**
- Posters: **April 1, 2017**

Notification of acceptance:
- Contributed papers: **April 14, 2017**
- Organized sessions: **April 21, 2017**
- Organized panels: **April 21, 2017**
- Posters: **April 21, 2017**

Final versions of contributed papers and posters due: **June 5, 2017**.

Meanwhile, you can also [Stay in Touch](#) with the organization on the Social Media referenced throughout the website or via the Newsletter.

Any help in spreading the word about the Call for Contribution and the Congress Social Media presence will be greatly appreciated!

**Contribution Submission and Registration**
Contribution submission and registration will be managed through ConfTool Pro, via the Congress website, or – directly – at [https://www.conftool.com/eaae2017/](https://www.conftool.com/eaae2017/)

Conference registration (at a later date) will be possible only by participants with a valid EAAE membership. Please note that this condition will be strictly enforced!
To learn more about the benefits of and conditions for becoming an EAAE Member, please visit the Association [page](#).

The early opening of a ConfTool Pro account, besides the Congress Social Media and Newsletter, will guarantee you are up to date with any further detail on deadlines and the Congress itself.

The flyer containing the Call for Contributions, Deadlines for Submission and other pieces of information related to the XV EAAE Congress is available for you to download and share here:

[XV EAAE Congress Flyer](#)

We look forward to seeing you in Parma in August 2017!
Call for Participation:

2016 FDRS Student Marketing Case Competition

The 2016 Student Marketing Case Competition will be held October 1st and 2nd during the Annual Conference of the Food Distribution Research Society (FDRS). The Conference will be held September 30th – October 4th at the Downtown Marriott at the Convention Center in New Orleans, LA.

During this live case study competition, students role play as consultants and have the opportunity to apply their knowledge of food distribution, marketing, management, economics, and merchandising, as they compete to give a presentation for a mystery company over the two-day event. Teams in the final round make their bid presentation directly to the company’s executive team. Details about the company are withheld from all teams until the morning of the contest, except for minimal topic guidance provided two weeks prior to the competition.

Teams may consist of 3–5 undergraduate and masters–level students, with undergraduate students comprising the majority. Registration fees are $350 per team, and teams need to be registered for the competition by August 31, 2016. Registration includes attendance to all FDRS case events. The top three teams will split $1000 in prize money.

Additional information is available at https://www.fdrsinc.org/2016–fdrs–annual–conference–in–new–orleans/. Please direct any inquiries about the competition to Dr. Lurleen Walters (lurleen.walters@msstate.edu), FDRS VP of Student Programs.