2017 Call for Abstracts:
Selected Presentation Papers and Posters

AAEA seeks submissions for Selected Presentations for the 2017 AAEA Annual Meeting in Chicago. Selected Presentations are a submission category that represents both Selected Papers and Selected Posters. All submissions are reviewed and accepted together, and only after acceptance are the submissions designated as a paper or poster. At the time of submission, individuals will have the option for their submission to be considered as a poster-only. There is no paper-only option.

Submissions for Selected Presentations must include a two-page, single-spaced abstract that provides a clear explanation of what will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Authors should include in this abstract a discussion of the relevance of the topic, research methodology, and potential for generating discussion during the meeting. Please do not include your name or contact information in the abstract file.

Abstracts must be received by Thursday, January 12, 2017, and should be submitted using AAEA's online Abstract Management System. Material previously presented at other meetings cannot be accepted, and the submitting author will be asked to verify that the material has not been presented elsewhere. To submit an abstract, please make sure that you are a 2017 AAEA member or be ready to pay the submission fee of $25. You can renew your AAEA annual dues via the “My Account” section on the AAEA website.

Review Process
All submissions will be subjected to a common, double-blind review process. After the review process has been completed, topic leaders will construct coherent Selected Paper Sessions and Lightning Sessions based
on a common topic. All remaining accepted presentations will be assigned as a poster. Presentation proposal acceptance notifications will be sent via email in March. Emails may be received in spam folders. Should you not find an email by mid-April, please feel free to contact the AAEA Business Office at info@aaea.org or at (414) 918-3190.

Poster authors should be available during their assigned interval during the meeting for questions and discussion. The event program and mobile app will list the poster titles, authors, locations, and presentation time. Poster presenters must submit a PDF version of their poster to the AAEA submission site by May 24, 2017. Please keep submissions under 4 MB. AAEA will upload these posters to AgEcon Search. Posters that miss this deadline will be withdrawn from the program.

Selected Paper Sessions and Lightning Sessions
Up to 8 papers are included in a 90-minute Lightning Session, and up to 4 papers are included in a 90-minute Selected Paper Session. Therefore, each paper presentation in a Lightning Session is allotted 9 minutes, with 7 minutes to present and 2 minutes for discussion. Likewise, each presentation in a Selected Paper Session is allotted 20 minutes, with 15 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for discussion.

Authors of Selected Papers must submit a full version of their paper to the AAEA submission site by May 24, 2017. Please keep submissions under 4 MB. AAEA will upload these papers to AgEcon Search. Papers that miss this deadline will be withdrawn from the program. The full version of the paper has no length limitations, but less than 25 pages is preferred. Double-spaced, 8.5 by 11-inch, single-sided format is requested. Please follow the American Journal of Agricultural Economics style guidelines, with the exception of the single table/figure per page convention.

Submit your Selected Presentation in the online Abstract Management System

2017 AAEA Annual Meeting:
Award Nominations
Award Nominations are open for submission now through February 9, 2017. Award winners will be recognized at the 2017 AAEA Annual Meeting in Chicago during the AAEA Awards and Fellows Ceremony. Learn more about each annual award and how to submit a nomination at http://www.aaea.org/about-aaea/awards-and-honors/aaea-annual--awards.
Call for Proposals: Organized Symposia

AAEA seeks submissions for Organized Symposia for the 2017 AAEA Annual Meeting in Chicago. Proposals are due by Thursday, January 12, 2017, and should be submitted using AAEA’s online submission system.

Organized Symposium sessions highlight ideas or works-in-progress on a topic involving cooperative or competing efforts by two or more panelists. Symposia may involve panel discussions of prepared questions, debates, roundtable meetings, or other formats. Formal paper presentations are discouraged, nonetheless if such presentations are proposed, the organizer should explain how they will fit into a tightly coherent theme. In all cases, at least half of the session time should be reserved for discussion among the panelists and between the panelists and the audience.

Symposia may offer discussions of policy issues, research methods, emerging research results, teaching or outreach topics, issues in professional organization, or other matters. Proposals should include: session title, session rationale, names and contact information for the organizer and other participants, and a description of the symposium format that includes plans for discussion.

At least one proposer for the organized symposium must be a member of AAEA, and all presenters, speakers, and/or discussants at the Annual Meeting must be members of AAEA and registered for the Annual Meeting by Wednesday, May 24, 2017.

If you have any questions about submitting an Organized Symposia session proposal, please contact Lauren Seward at lseward@aaea.org or at (414) 918-3190.

Obituary

Daniel Ivan Padberg
1931-2016

Daniel I. Padberg, Professor Emeritus at Texas A&M University, died December 12, 2016 at age 85, as a result of an automobile accident. He served as President of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association in 1987–88. He was also the Executive Director of the Food and Agricultural Marketing Consortium, which evolved into the AAEA Food and Agricultural Marketing Policy Section.

Dr. Padberg’s distinguished career included serving on the faculty at five Land Grant universities, as Department Head at two, and as Dean at one. He received his undergraduate and master’s degrees at the University of Missouri and his Ph.D. in agricultural economics at the University of California–Berkeley in 1961. His initial faculty appointment was at The Ohio State University. In 1965–1966, he served as a member of the staff for the National Commission on Food Marketing, established by the U.S. Congress. The staff studies, an important landmark for the profession, were documented in 10 technical reports. Dr. Padberg co-authored the Food Retailing study.
Dr. Padberg joined the faculty at Cornell University in 1965 as Associate Professor. During this tenure, he was also appointed to the White House Task Force on Farmer Bargaining in 1968. In 1975, he moved to the University of Illinois, where he served as Department Head until 1981 when he was appointed Dean of the College of Food and Natural Resources at the University of Massachusetts. In 1983, he became Research Advisor for Long Range Planning with the Farm Credit System. He served as Professor and Head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at Texas A&M University from 1984 to 1990. Then, he resumed teaching marketing and industrial organization and led in the development of the Food and Agricultural Marketing Consortium. He retired as Professor Emeritus in 1996.

Dr. Padberg was a dynamic department head challenging his faculty and his administrators with new and sometimes controversial ideas that were always presented thoughtfully, in good humor, and with willingness to consider other views. He was an engaging scholar, who stimulated discussion and debate about major food industry issues, authoring four books and numerous articles and reports. He was indeed a lifelong learner with a curiosity for different cultures and eagerness to share research insights with colleagues around the world. He was a visiting professor at the University of Manchester in England, 1972–73, and Fulbright Chair at the University of Tucia, Viterbo, Italy, 1997.

Dr. Padberg was born Nov. 9, 1931, in Summersville, Missouri. He served his country as an officer in the U.S. Navy from 1955–1958, and married Mildred True in 1956. They had three daughters. She died in 1997. Sarah O’Brien, Dr. Padberg’s second spouse, was a passenger in the car at the time of the accident and also died as a result of her injuries.

Celebration of Dr. Padberg’s life will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church in New Braunfels, Texas, Jan. 2, 2017. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the college scholarship fund he set up at the high school he attended: The Padberg Educational Trust, Security Bank of the Ozarks, P.O. Box 8, Summersville, MO 65571.

Other News

6th Conference of the Italian Association of Agricultural and Applied Economics (AIEAA)
June 15–16, 2017; Piacenza, Italy
Economics and Politics of Migration: Implications for Agriculture and Food
Call for Papers
Two key factors have recently contributed to place migration issues at the center of the economic and political agenda. Firstly, the weaker economic prospects and the cuts in public spending due to the recession have increasingly contributed to make immigrants be perceived as competitors in the labor market and in the welfare state, rather than as a resource. Secondly, the refugee crisis, with the number of migrants seeking for asylum in Europe reaching a level not experienced since the mid–1990s, creates alarming tensions and un–coordinated reactions by the EU countries, revealing the fragility of EU institutions.
Specific issues to be addressed include:

- The effect of migrations on the agricultural labor market;
- The contribution of foreign workers to agriculture productivity growth;
- The effect of migration in rural areas;
- Farms’ adjustment to local labor supply shocks;
- Migration and poverty condition in the countries of origin;
- Migration and the changing patterns of food consumption;
- Migration, climate change and natural disasters;
- The trade effect of international migrations;
- The political economy of migration policy;
- The political outcomes of international migrations;
- Migration and crime in rural areas.
- Migration, education and health

AIEAA welcomes the submission of contributions on the topics above. However, the submission of contributions on other agricultural and applied economics topics is encouraged as well.

Submissions
Contribution proposals should be submitted in English through the conference website at www.aieaa.org. There are three types of contributions: contributed papers, organized sessions, and posters.

Contributed papers
Participants intending to present a paper are requested to submit an extended abstract (minimum 1000 words; maximum 1500 words) before February 15, 2017. Abstracts should include:

a) Introduction to the topic
b) Description of data and research methodology
c) Discussion of theoretical and/or empirical results
d) Emphasis on the paper’s potential for generating discussion during the conference
e) A list of few essential references.

Upon Authors’ authorization, the abstracts of accepted papers will be made available on the conference website, and the full text will be posted on AgEcon Search.

Organized sessions
Participants are invited to propose organized sessions primarily, but not exclusively, on topics relevant to the conference themes. Proposals (max 2,000 words) should include the name of the organizer, the session title, the name of contributors, and the title and abstract of each paper. It is suggested that proposed sessions include no more than four papers. Proposals should be submitted by February 15, 2017. Organized session proposals will be subject to a peer review process. Authors will be notified of acceptance by March 17, 2017.

Posters
AIEAA welcomes the submission of posters. Accepted posters will be presented and discussed in dedicated sessions. Participants should submit an abstract (max 500 words) by February 15, 2017. Poster proposals will be subject to a blind peer review process. Authors will be notified of poster acceptance by March 17, 2017.

Information and contacts
For more updated information and contacts, please refer to the conference website at www.aieaa.org or email aieaa2017@unicatt.it
Call for Papers and Symposia

NAREA 2017 Annual Meeting

Washington, D.C.
June 11 – 13, 2017
Submission Deadline: February 10, 2017

Annual Meeting: Selected paper sessions, organized sessions, and a poster session allow scholars to share their current research. We are also experimenting this year with discussion symposia. We welcome submissions in all areas of environmental, natural resource, and agricultural economics.


Selected Paper Proposals: Selected paper submissions should include: the title of paper; names and institutional affiliations of the author and co-authors; name and e-mail address of paper presenter; an abstract of no more than 500 words; and 2–4 keywords. The Selected Papers Committee will review abstracts in terms of significance to the field, strength of methodology/design, clarity of writing, and fit within conference topics. Some abstracts may be invited to present as a poster in a poster session instead of in a paper session. If an author submits more than one abstract, he or she may be limited to one presentation. Selected paper proposals should be submitted through NAREA’s submission system at http://www.narea.org/2017/.

If you would like to submit an organized session, please have each author submit his or her abstract as above. The organizer must also (by the submission deadline) submit through the “organized session” form: a list of all titles that belong in the session, a title for the session, and a brief (a sentence or two) explanation of the topical relationship among the papers in the session and why the session topic would be of interest to meeting attendees. The organized session may be accepted in whole, in part (and the accepted papers assigned to other sessions), or may be rejected.

Discussion Symposium Proposals: New this year! A discussion symposium allows a more fluid and multilateral format for engagement with works in progress or “hot topics” in the field. A symposium may include prepared questions for two or more panelists, a debate, a roundtable, or another format. Regardless, half of the time (out of a session of 85 or 90 minutes) should be allocated for discussion with or questions from the audience. To propose a discussion symposium, submit through the “discussion symposium” form: names of the participants, the title of the symposium, and a paragraph describing what you would do in the symposium and why it would be of interest to meeting attendees.

Submission Deadline: February 10, 2017. Electronic acknowledgement will be sent to all submitters. We expect to notify the authors by March 31, 2017, for all types of submissions. If accepted, all presenters must be NAREA members and registered for the Annual Meeting by May 1, 2017. Submission questions can be directed to the Program Chair, President–Elect Sarah Jacobson (Sarah.A.Jacobson@williams.edu). Local arrangements questions can be directed to local arrangements chair Allison Borchers (nareaconference2017@gmail.com).
2017 EAAE in Parma, Italy:
Call for Contributions

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, 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 as sort of a “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](https://www.eaae.org/). 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](https://www.eaae.org/).

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**Call for Applications:**

**IMMANA Fellowships**

The Friedman School of Nutrition at Tufts University and the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine are pleased to announce the third of four planned rounds of Post-Doctoral Fellowships for Emerging Leaders in Agriculture, Nutrition, and Health Research (IMMANA Fellowships), funded with UK aid from the UK government through the Department for International Development (DFID). For 2017–2018, IMMANA will award six 12-month post-doctoral fellowships to early career researchers who are using and developing or adapting these new methodological approaches with mentors in ongoing research programs in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

Eligible candidates will have completed a doctoral degree (PhD, DPhil, DPH, MD, DVM or similar terminal degree) in any field related to agriculture, nutrition or health research and practice, and are seeking a career in research, education, and engagement at the intersection of two or more of these fields. Eligible candidates should have no more than three years of post-PhD experience prior to their proposed Fellowship start date. We anticipate that IMMANA Fellows will bring diverse perspectives to leadership in...
agriculture, nutrition, and health. IMMANA Fellowships will aim for equal representation of women and men, and we particularly welcome applications from citizens of LMIC countries.

Applicants must propose to conduct fieldwork or other research under the joint supervision of two mentors, one from the applicant’s current or previous employer or academic institution, and one from a host institution where the applicant proposes to advance their work. At least one of the two mentors must be physically located in Africa or Asia. The two mentors need not have equal roles in the project, but having both be involved should help accelerate research and sharing of ideas between the Fellow’s home and host environments. Selection will give preference to applicants who have research or faculty appointments in Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia, but applicants may be of any nationality and have earned their doctorate anywhere.

Applications are submitted in a two-stage process. Applicants are welcome and encouraged to submit a concept note to confirm eligibility and receive valuable feedback. Concept notes should be submitted as soon as possible, and will be accepted on a rolling basis until February 1, 2017. Applicants must submit a full proposal by February 28, 2017 and selected candidates will be notified no later than May 1, 2017. IMMANA Fellows must then begin their 12-month projects between the dates of June 1, and December 31, 2017. Both forms are available online at [http://immanafellowships.submittable.com](http://immanafellowships.submittable.com). Enquiries and other documentation should be sent by email to immanafellowships@tufts.edu

**Assistant Professor of Agribusiness**
University of Arizona
12/09/2016

**Assistant Director and Senior Specialist (Resources, Science and Industry Division)**
Congressional Research Service
12/06/2016

**Assistant or Associate Professor and Extension Specialist, Farm Management**
University of Minnesota
12/01/2016

**Development Effectiveness Economist Officer**
Inter–American Investment Corporation
11/28/2016

These current positions and more can be found on the [AAEA Job Board](http://). Sign up for listserv emails regarding new positions [HERE](http://).