2020 Invited Paper Sessions

Call for Proposals

AAEA welcomes proposals for Invited Paper sessions for the 2020 AAEA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO. Papers in these Invited Paper sessions may be published in the Applied Economics Perspectives and Policy (AEPP) in March 2021, subject to review. Proposals from individuals or groups need to be submitted using the online submission system by Tuesday, December 3, 2019. Submit proposals in the online Abstract Management System.

The most successful invited papers frame new areas of research, provide a systematic review of an existing area, or offer a novel perspective.

Proposed session formats must include either two papers with two discussants or three papers with one discussant. Four paper sessions will not be considered.

Proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- The proposed session supports the objective of the Association to further the development and dissemination of systematic knowledge of agricultural and applied economics;
- The importance of the session is well-justified;
- The proposed papers are timely and the topics are likely to generate meaningful discussion during the presentation, as well as interest in a published version;
- It is likely that the session format will be conducive to a clear, focused, and informative presentation of the topics proposed;
- The session theme and paper topics are not repetitive of themes and/or topics previously addressed in Invited Paper sessions;
- The set of sessions will appeal to a broad spectrum of the membership.

Proposals should include session title and rationale, two-page abstracts and titles for each proposed presentation, and names and contact information of authors, discussants, and moderators.

The invited papers should be completed by Wednesday, April 8, 2020. These completed versions will be reviewed by the invited paper sessions committee, and feedback to improve the papers will be provided to the author(s). Final versions of the invited papers must be submitted to AAEA by Wednesday, May 20, 2020. If the authors wish the invited paper to be reviewed for publication in the AEPP, it should also be submitted to the
AEPP Editors via Editorial Express by **Tuesday, August, 25.** Accepted papers will carry a footnote that indicates they were subject to an expedited review process.

If you have any questions about submitting an Invited Paper session proposal, please contact Mary Annen at mannen@aaea.org or at (414) 918–3190.

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**2020 Selected Presentation Papers and Posters**

**Call for Abstracts**

AAEA seeks submissions for Selected Presentations for the 2020 AAEA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO. 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, preliminary results (if available), 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 **Wednesday, January 15, 2020,** 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.

**Review Process**

All submissions will be subjected to a common, double-blind review process. Authors select a topic area at the time of submission and abstracts are evaluated by reviewers within the respective topic area. The acceptance rate is roughly the same for each topic area. A list of topic areas is available here. 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.

**Posters**

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 22, 2020.* Please keep submissions under 4 MB. AAEA will upload these posters to the 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 20, 2020. Please keep submissions under 4 MB. AAEA will upload these papers to the 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.

Questions, please contact the AAEA Business Office at info@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

2020 Track Sessions sponsored by AAEA Sections

Call for Proposals

The AAEA Executive Board invites Track Session proposals for the 2020 AAEA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO. Initial proposals need to be submitted by Tuesday, December 3, 2019, to Vanessa Nicholas at vnicholas@aaea.org. Final, detailed submissions associated with each session are due by March 11, 2020. The AAEA Business Office will work with each Section that submits proposals on their final submission.

Tracks are a set of multiple sessions submitted by AAEA Sections, scheduled throughout the meeting and devoted to a common interest area or topic. The AAEA President determines the number of sessions allocated to each section. All Section leaders have been notified of their 2020 allocations.

Section leaders are responsible for managing and submitting Track Session proposals. If you are interested in submitting a proposal for a Track Session, please contact the chair of the Section for more information about the session topics that they are seeking. Proposals submitted to the AAEA Business Office by an individual will be referred back to the Section for approval and official submission.

Specific Track Sessions can also be considered as Invited Paper sessions. These sessions need to be submitted through the abstract submission system as an Invited Paper session (see the call for Invited Paper Sessions for more information), and included with the initial Track Session proposals due in December, with an indication that it has also been submitted as an Invited Paper Session. If the proposed Invited Paper session is not accepted, it will still be included as a traditional Track Session.

Please contact Vanessa Nicholas at vnicholas@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190 if you have any other questions about submitting or participating in a Track Session.
2020 Organized Symposia

Call for Proposals

AAEA seeks submissions for Organized Symposia for the 2020 AAEA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO. Proposals are due by **Wednesday, January 15, 2020**, and should be submitted using AAEA’s online submission system. Submit proposals in the online Abstract Management 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 22, 2020**.

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

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2020 Pre- and Post-conference Workshops

Call for Proposals

The AAEA Executive Board invites proposals for Pre- and Post-conference Workshops at the 2020 AAEA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO. The deadline for proposals is **Tuesday, December 3**. Selections will be finalized at the AAEA Executive Board meeting in early January and organizers will be notified soon thereafter by the AAEA 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 January Board meeting.

Proposals should be submitted using the [Pre- and Post-conference Workshop Proposal form](#) available on the [AAEA 2020 Annual Meeting Pre- and Post-Conference Workshops Call for Proposals webpage](#). The form asks the proposers for the following information:

1. Title of proposed session and the proposed date and time that the workshop would take place (potential dates include **Saturday, July 25, and Wednesday, July 29**).
2. Objectives of the workshop, as well as the timeliness of the subject and why the content of the workshop is relevant to AAEA members/meeting attendees
3. Potential speakers, presenters, or panel members, and the total time required for these presentations
4. Intended audience and expected attendance at the workshop
5. Contact information for organizers in charge of overall development and coordination (complete addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses)
6. Complete budget information, which includes: financial support expected, speaker travel expenses, stipends, and honoraria, catering needs, administrative fees, and other income and costs. Detailed information will be needed, including any catering requests (e.g. boxed lunches, buffet, coffee breaks, etc.), so that a registration fee for the workshop can be determined
7. Any requests for membership and/or registration fee waivers that may be required in order to properly conduct the workshop
8. Any special software or electronic needs, including if the attendees will be required to bring a laptop

Incomplete proposals cannot be considered. Please include as much information as needed when submitting; there is no minimum or maximum length for the proposal.

Submit proposals using the Pre- and Post-conference Workshop Proposal form available on the AAEA 2020 Annual Meeting Pre- and Post-Conference Workshops Call for Proposals webpage by Tuesday, December 3.

If you have any questions about submitting a proposal, please contact Mary Annen at mannen@aaea.org or at (414) 918-3190.

2020 Case Studies

Call for Proposals

AAEA welcomes proposals for Case Studies for the 2020 AAEA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO. Cases in this Invited Paper session may be published in the Applied Economics Teaching Resources (AETR) in January 2021, subject to review. Proposals from individuals or groups need to be submitted using AAEA's online submission system by Tuesday, December 3, 2019. Submit proposals in the online Abstract Management System.

Proposals are requested for case studies that show how the application of economic principles to decision making in the public and/or private sectors leads to better decisions. Any topic area that illustrates the application of economic principles is acceptable. Topic areas focusing on emerging issues such as: renewable ingredients, energy economics, food safety, and company environmental policies (e.g., green scorecard) are encouraged.

Proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria:
Deals with a problem that has a high level of importance/interest/relevancy to members of AAEA

- Clear and concise teaching objective(s) and target audience(s) (e.g. undergraduate students, graduate students, extension audiences)
- Case summary that presents solutions and explanations of how the learning objectives are realized
- Leads to a better understanding of how the application of economic principles improves decision making
- A general description of the teaching plan for presenting the case to include expected student use of reference materials

Proposals should include case title, names, contact information of the authors, and a case outline that covers the company or situation profiled, as well as a detailed outline for the case study. The outline should be 3–5 pages in length and a maximum of 2,000 words. The proposal must also contain an outline and ideas for a teaching note, although the teaching note will not be published with the case. Of the cases submitted, three winning case submissions will be accepted for presentation at the AAEA meetings by March 11, 2020.

Selected case studies (with teaching note when applicable) should be completed by Wednesday, April 8, 2020. These completed versions will be reviewed by the invited case study committee, and feedback to improve the cases will be provided to the author(s). Final versions of the cases must be submitted to AAEA by Wednesday, May 20, 2020. If the authors wish the case study to be reviewed for publication in the AETR, it should also be submitted to the AETR Editor by Wednesday, May 20, 2020. Accepted papers will carry a footnote that indicates they were subject to an expedited review process.

Examples of appropriate cases can be found in the agricultural and applied economics literature including the American Journal of Agricultural Economics (issues 94 (2) and 93 (2)), International Food and Agribusiness Management Review and the Journal of the Food Distribution Research Society. There are many ways to write a case. One set of guidelines for decision cases can be found at: https://www.ifama.org/publications/journal/vol3/cmsdocs/369–379.pdf.

If you have any questions about submitting a Case Study Proposal, please contact Samantha Bilgrien at sbilgrien@aaea.org or at (414) 918–3190.
The second Food and Health Economics Workshop will take place at the Toulouse School of Economics (TSE) June 18 and 19, 2020. The Food and Health Economics Workshop brings together researchers from around the world working in the field of Food and Health Economics.

The workshop provides a forum that encourages the development, critical appraisal and dissemination of methodological research related to food and health economics. In this regard empirical, theoretical and experimental papers will be selected on the basis of their contribution to the advance of the knowledge on the topic.

Contributions would address and answer key policy questions through rigorous economic analysis. Possible topics include obesity, in particular children obesity, malnutrition, non-communicable chronic diseases, nutritional transition, ex-ante and ex-post evaluation of food and/or nutritional policies, strategic role of food firms, food safety.

**DATES and VENUE:** June 18 and 19, 2020, Toulouse School of Economics (TSE), France.

**LOCAL ORGANIZERS:** Céline Bonnet (TSE-R, INRA), Catarina Goulão (TSE-R, INRA), Vincent Réquillart (TSE-R, INRA).

**SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE:** Timothy Beatty (U.C. Davis), Pierre Chandon (INSEAD), Helmuth Cremer (TSE-R), Pierre Dubois (TSE-R), Fabrice Etilé (INRA, PSE), Stephanie von Hinke (U. Bristol, UK), Jayson Lusk (U. Purdue), Franco Sassi (Imperial College), Luigi Siciliani (U. York, UK) and local organizers.

**TO SUBMIT A PAPER:** The deadline to submit a research article is February 29, 2020. Preliminary versions of papers are accepted, but full papers will be given priority. Young researchers are especially encouraged to apply. Papers have to be sent to the following email address in pdf format: fhew2020.conf@tse-fr.eu

**NOTIFICATION of ACCEPTANCE:** March 31, 2020

**REGISTRATION:** April 30, 2020

**FORMAT:** The workshop is run over two days and comprises around 15 papers. The number of participants will be limited to around 50. Participants are expected to attend the whole of the meeting and play a role as author, discussant or chairperson.

**FEES:** Fees amount to 250 € VAT included. Lunch and dinner are provided by the conference.

**INFORMATION:** All relevant information will be made available on the conference website in due time; https://www.tse-fr.eu/fr/conferences/2020-food-and-health-economics-workshop

If necessary, you may also contact the local organizers at fhew2020.conf@tse-fr.eu
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Understanding Food-Related Hardships among Older Americans

The University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research (UKCPR), with underwriting from the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) in the U.S. Department of Agriculture, announces a second round competition for research contracts that expand understanding of, and the attendant policy implications for, food-related hardships among older persons in the United States. For purposes of this RFP, older persons are defined as those ages 60 and older.

We seek research proposals from qualified individuals and institutions to provide rigorous research in one of three topical domains: 1) Describing households with food insecure seniors, including, but not limited to, factors such as functional status and ability to live independently, access to transportation, mental function, spousal health status, and social network and family connections; 2) Understanding factors underlying participation and recertification in food assistance and other safety net programs; and 3) Evaluating the causal impact of food and non-food assistance programs on health and nutrition outcomes, as well as related outcomes such as consumption tradeoffs. Total anticipated funding under this mechanism is $1.2 million of four large subcontracts at $250,000 each and four small subcontracts at $50,000 each.

We request a letter of intent to submit a proposal by December 10, 2019. Full proposals are due January 14, 2020, with award dates on or about February 25, 2020. Consult the RFP for submission details. The full RFP is available [here](http://ukcpr.org/sites/ukcpr/files/Final_Senior_Hunger_RFP_Round_2.pdf), or paste the address directly in your browser:

[http://ukcpr.org/sites/ukcpr/files/Final_Senior_Hunger_RFP_Round_2.pdf](http://ukcpr.org/sites/ukcpr/files/Final_Senior_Hunger_RFP_Round_2.pdf)

Please direct questions to Jeff Spradling at ukcpr@uky.edu and reference Round 2 RFP on Food Hardships in the subject line. Further information about UKCPR and its programs is available at [http://www.ukcpr.org/](http://www.ukcpr.org/).

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Fall 2020 Issue of the Western Economic Forum
Submissions Guidelines

Guidelines for Submitting Manuscripts

All submissions to the Western Economics Forum must be submitted electronically in MS Word format. Author and institutional identifications will be removed from MS Word submissions by the editorial team prior to being sent to reviewers. Receipt of manuscripts will be acknowledged by e-mail.

Authors’ Identification and Title Page

To protect their anonymity in the review process, authors should not identify themselves on the title page or in any headers. A separate title page must be sent as an attachment to the editors via email, and should include: (i) title; (ii) author names; and (iii) name, phone number, and email address of the corresponding author.

Text Preparation and Style Guide

Regular Articles: Final published length of regular articles for the WEF is targeted for 8–12 pages in
final form or 2,500 words in length, with a maximum length of 15–20 pages in final form or 3,500 words in length – including reference list, tables and figures. There may be flexibility to accept more pages if appropriate – at the discretion of the editors. Double-space all text, including the abstract, acknowledgments, footnotes, and references. Place each table and figure on a separate page following the references. Make sure that the manuscript follows the style and formatting requirements outlined in the JARE Style Guide (http://www.waeaonline.org/publications/jare/submission-guidelines).

**Case Studies:** For the Fall 2020 issue of the Western Economics Forum there will also be a case studies section – with the case studies targeted for 3–5 pages in length in final form, and approximately 6–9 pages in length as initially submitted or 1,000 – 1,250 words in double–space text, including abstract, acknowledgements, footnotes and references. The JARE Style Guide style and formatting requirements will also be followed for Case Study articles. See the Call for Papers and Case Studies for Fall 2020 for more information.

**Article Submissions**
All documents must be submitted in MS Word format and will undergo double-blind peer-review before being considered for publication. Submit articles for the Fall 2020 WEF Journal to Editorial Team member Daniel M. O'Brien by email attachment at: dobrien@ksu.edu

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**Instructions for Accepted Manuscripts**
The final versions of accepted papers should follow standard WEF submission guidelines, paying particular attention to the JARE Style Guide. Authors should also upload the native file in MS Word format. The final manuscript file should include a title page with the title, running head, authors' names and affiliations, abstract, keywords, JEL codes, acknowledgements, conflicts of interest, and short description (250 characters maximum).
Western Economics Forum (WEF)
Call for Papers and Case Studies for Fall 2020

Topical Focus of Special WEF Issue:

Adding Economic Value – Increasing Farm and Community Prosperity in the Western U.S.

The Western Economics Forum (WEF) focuses on interdisciplinary issues relevant to the Western United States. Western state economies continue to be impacted by highly variable returns to key commodities; policies that influence the availability of labor, water and other critical inputs; as well as weather patterns that affect the quantity and quality of agricultural production. In response, agricultural producers, researchers, community organizations and educators are seeking strategies to smooth variability in rural incomes, create new sources of employment, reduce use of increasingly scarce inputs to production, and develop markets for new services and products.

The Western Economics Forum organizes peer-reviewed economic research and cutting-edge thinking and ideas about contemporary issues affecting the Western United States. The papers and case studies in this special issue for fall 2020 are meant to inform community practitioners, technical assistance providers and policy makers as well as academics and agency personnel working and involved in increasing farm and community prosperity.

For its Fall 2020 issue, the Western Economics Forum welcomes authors to submit papers or articles for peer review addressing both validated and emerging tools and strategies that contribute economic benefit to Western agricultural value chains. We seek papers exploring how innovations in production, processing, marketing and policy are creating new opportunities for agricultural producers to improve their financial wellbeing and create positive spillover effects in their communities. Papers might analyze the value created by the introduction of new specialty crop and livestock products, new production methods such as indoor and agrivoltaic systems, new processes for creating or distributing agricultural and food products, and new markets for products or services such as agritourism or farm to school programs. These papers are intended in general to be 10–12 pages or 2,500 words in final form, with up to 15–20 pages and 3,500 words maximum.

This issue also includes a case study section. We encourage community organizations, entrepreneurs and collaborative ventures to submit case studies or briefs (final form) about innovative projects addressing issues related to food production, processing, marketing and/or distribution issues with economic implications. These case studies can be preliminary reports and may include less quantitative analysis than what is in a conventional research paper. The article should include the project objectives, steps taken, quantitative and/or qualitative evaluation methodologies and project outcomes. It can include online links to supplementary content. These case studies are intended to be 3 to 5 pages in final form (i.e., 1,000–1,250 words).

All submissions, including both submitted papers and case studies, will be peer reviewed.
Submission Guidelines:
Authors are required to provide WEF editors with suggestions for at least 2–3 reviewers for each article submitted. See complete submission guidelines for Fall 2020 WEF issue on the Western Economics Forum website, part of the Western Agricultural Economics Association, i.e., WAEA, http://www.waeaonline.org/

Submission Timeline:
Deadline for Submission: April 1, 2020

The Western Economics Forum is sponsored by the Western Agricultural Economics Association. For past issues of the Western Economics Forum, visit the following web address: http://www.waeaonline.org/publications/western-economics-forum

Philippines Agricultural Economics Circle (UP AEC)
Breaking Barriers: Building the Future Through Agricultural and Applied Economics

With the theme “Breaking Barriers: Building the Future Through Agricultural and Applied Economics,” the University of the Philippines Agricultural Economics Circle (UP AEC) successfully held its event entitled “Agrikonomiya 2019” last September 28. It is a flagship event of the UP AEC which promotes Agricultural and Applied Economics as a field of study to junior and senior high school students and it also encourages the youth to engage in a timely discussion on the agricultural problems in the Philippines.

Sixteen schools from all over NCR and CALABARZON, gathered at the University of the Philippines–Los Baños (UPLB) to participate in Agrikonomiya 2019 which is a one-day event composed of one forum and four different competitions namely the Essay Writing Competition, Extemporaneous Speaking Competition, Photojournalism Competition, and Agricultural Resolutions Pitch Competition. Each contest targeted different skills of the participants as they voiced out their opinions about the agricultural sector of the country through written words, speeches, images, and their policy-making skills.

The forum entitled “Agriculture Amidst Modernization and Industrialization” featured Mr. Herman Z. Ongkiko, President and COO of Orient Integrated Development Consultant, Inc. (OIDCI), as its speaker. He highlighted the challenges to agricultural modernization and emphasized the essential role that the field of Agricultural and Applied Economics plays in overcoming such barriers.

The entire event left an impact on the students as it allowed them to become more aware on the current issues faced by the agricultural sector in the Philippines and it made them think of their possible contributions in solving these problems. With the insightful speech from the speaker, the interactive competitions, and with the objectives being met, it was truly a fun and successful event.
Richardson-Applebaum Outstanding Graduate Research

Food Distribution and Marketing Statement of Intent Form

The Food Distribution Research Society (FDRS) is pleased to accept applications for the Richardson–Applebaum Outstanding Graduate Research on Food Distribution and Marketing. Broadly defined, this area encompasses all economic functions that occur between the farm gate and final consumer.

Eligibility

- The competition is open to all graduate students with scholarly interest and career aspirations in the food distribution system who have completed the degree between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019.
- Please note:
  1. applicants are limited to applying for each category only once and subsequent submissions will not be considered, and
  2. only one submission will be accepted per university per category each year.

Award

- One travel stipend for each of the following categories: best Ph.D. Dissertation ($1,500), best M.S. Thesis ($1,500), and best M.S. Case Study ($1,500)
- Complimentary one-year FDRS student membership
- Complimentary conference registration fees and recognition at the 2020 FDRS Annual Conference, which will take place in Dallas, TX, October 9–14, 2020
- The Ph.D. recipient is invited to present his/her research during the FDRS Applebaum–Richardson Award Luncheon

Application steps

Submit the following as one PDF file in the following order to KathyKelley@psu.edu by January 1, 2020. When labeling your PDF files, please include your first and last name and name of your university.

- Statement of Intent form
- Cover letter that includes a brief synopsis of academic training, any food industry experience, and/or research experience and career interests and goals.
- Letter of recommendation from the research paper advisor.
- A copy of the dissertation/thesis/case study

For more information

Please visit the FDRS website at www.fdrsin.org or contact FDRS’s Vice President of Education: Dr. Kathy Kelley at KathyKelley@psu.edu
International Food Marketing Research Symposium  
Call for Papers  
San Antonio, TX, June 17-18, 2020  
We are now accepting submissions for the International Food Marketing Research Symposium to be held on June 17-18, 2020 with Texas A&M University, in San Antonio, TX.

In the months to come, details will follow regarding programs, accommodations, and local food related activities and events.

After a successful 2019 conference co-hosted with the University of the Sunshine Coast, AU, we expect a large international group to join us again at the 2020 conference co-hosted by the Agribusiness, Food, & Consumer Economics Research Center at Texas A&M University.

There will be a welcome reception on Tuesday, June 16 and two full days of conference programming on Wednesday and Thursday, June 17 & 18, 2020.

We again will host a special session for PhD students to present and discuss their work with senior faculty and peers.

Registration  
You may send abstracts and papers for peer review and register online at www.institutefpm.com. The submission deadline is April 15, 2020.

The 2020 proceedings will contain only extended abstracts (5 pages). Only extended abstracts will be considered for best paper awards.

Conference Co-chairs  
Mark Lang, Department of Marketing, The University of Tampa, and Gary W. Williams, Agribusiness, Food, & Consumer Economics Research Center, Texas A&M University

Partnering Journals  
The Conference is partnering with the Journal of Food Products Marketing, the Journal of International Food and Agribusiness Marketing, and Economia Agro-Alimentare/Food Economy. A selection of the best articles will be considered for publication in the journals.

Conference Information  
The Institute of Food Products Marketing hosts this two day research symposium as a forum for discussion and communication of food marketing research. This is a peer reviewed academic conference for food marketing articles and student papers. The session topics have included:

- Consumer Behavior
- Marketing Strategy
- Retailing/Merchandising/Private Label
Abstracts of accepted presentations will be published in a Conference Proceedings.

We encourage graduate students to submit their work. There will be certificates awarded for the best student and overall papers.

The conference fee includes conference materials, a welcome reception, lunch and coffee breaks each day, and a closing dinner at a nearby location.

Information about travel, hotels, restaurants, and tourist activities will be available at www.institutefpm.com in February, 2020.

You can email questions to mlang@ut.edu.

**Fulbright Specialist Program Engineering Education Project**

**Open Call**

The Fulbright Specialist Program (FSP) is seeking a highly qualified professional to serve as a Specialist for the approximately 2-week project “Automation Processes of the Uses of Natural Resources” to take place in Bogotá, Colombia beginning in Fall 2019 or Spring 2020.

The Fulbright Specialist Program (FSP), part of the larger Fulbright Program, was established in 2001 by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA). The program pairs highly qualified U.S. academics and professionals with host institutions abroad to share their expertise, strengthen institutional linkages, hone their skills, gain international experience, and learn about other cultures while building capacity at their overseas host institutions. Grant benefits include international round-trip economy class airfare, transit allowance, all applicable visa fees, a daily honorarium, enrollment in a limited health benefits program, lodging, meals, and in-country transportation.

**Host Institution:** Fundación Universitaria Konrad Lorenz

**Proposed Timeframe:** Approximately two weeks, ideally between mid-November and December 2019. *Please note that dates may be flexible between March and April 2020, based upon the chosen candidate’s availability.*
Location of Project: Bogotá, Colombia

Project Activities
Fundación Universitaria Konrad Lorenz and Corporación Universitaria Minuto de Dios (UNIMINUTO), two private higher education institutions, work together to develop and promote scientific research to address social problems in Colombia. They seek a Specialist who can provide insight on developments in the automation of food production and farming in order to enhance Colombia’s competitiveness in regional and international markets.

During the approximately two-week visit, the Specialist will engage with activities that include but are not limited to:

- Leading workshops for students, researchers, and professors on the innovations in automation of agricultural production, and the role of these technologies in natural resource transformation
- Advising on pedagogical methods for enhancing training in this topic at academic and professional levels
- Reviewing and evaluating current undergraduate curriculum addressing this topic across several programs, such as Engineering, Systems Engineering, Technology of Automation, and Agroecological Engineering and providing recommendations to ensure alignment with international standards
- Participating in a closing conference for participants to share insights gained through the project with other institutions of higher education and the public.

Preferred Qualifications
The Specialist must possess knowledge in environmental and sustainability issues, particularly expertise in agricultural engineering, and demonstrated interest in social engagement projects. They should also have substantial experience in curriculum development and academic advising. Specialists with some proficiency in Spanish are preferred, however all applicants who possess the relevant expertise are encouraged to apply.

6 Congreso Regional de Economía Agraria and IAAE-Inter-Conference Symposium
The Role of the Agribusiness Sector in the Sustainable Development of Latin American Economies

October 7 to 9, 2020 in Montevideo, Uruguay
The Inter-Conference Symposium seeks to provide an expanded regional network for agricultural and applied economists from all over Latin America and beyond focusing on the role of the agribusiness sector in the sustainable development of our rural economies. Providing a platform for discussion, exchange and networking, we are looking to strengthen our profession in the region.

The Argentinian, Chilean, and Uruguayan national associations in collaboration with the IAAE will invite the authors of the best presentations at the Inter-Conference Symposium to prepare full papers for possible publication in a special issue of Agribusiness: An International Journal.
The newly formed ISEPA, affiliated with the *Journal of Productivity Analysis* (JPA), encourages all of its many Founding Members and regular membership to participate in this Inter–Conference Symposium. The best presentations will be invited to submit a paper for possible publication in a Special JPA Issue on Latin American economic issues relating to efficiency and productivity.

The website for abstract submission will open on January 15, 2020. This website will also provide information on the venue in Montevideo and the organization of the Symposium. The deadline for submission of abstracts will be April 30, 2020.

Partial funding to participate in the Conference will be available to a limited number of PhD students and young professionals. Details will be forthcoming in the website.

If you need additional information at this time, please contact:
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**NAPA 2020: Second Biennial NAPA Conference**

**Call for Abstracts**

*May 22–24, 2020, Atlanta*

The Conference Organizing Committee (COC) is pleased to announce the call for abstracts on the theme “Global Food Security through Agricultural Transformation” for NAPA 2020, second Biennial Conference of the Association of Nepalese Agricultural Professionals of Americas. Abstract submission is open on topics related to Agricultural and Allied Sciences that advance any aspect of NAPA disciplines and ultimately help achieve the secured and sustainable supplies of food, feed, fuel, and fiber (4F) to meet the needs of the current and the next generations without compromising the opportunities of future generations. This call solicits abstracts for oral and poster presentations. Students will have opportunities for oral and poster presentation competitions. The first three of each of the student sessions will be recognized and awarded with cash prizes ($250, $150; and $100) and certificates of appreciation.

The abstract should be limited to 200 to 300 words and must be submitted using the abstract form attached with this call. Specifically, please adhere to the following format when developing and submitting the abstracts:

- Paper Title
- Author(s), Affiliation(s) and email of corresponding author
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- Discipline: Select the most applicable one from the list below
- Keywords: Enter between three to five keywords
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TOPIC AREAS/DISCIPLINES (including but not limited to):
Crop and Soil Science; Plant Pathology; Entomology; Natural Resources; Plant Breeding and Genetics;
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Food and Nutrition Technology; Water and Environmental Sciences; Agricultural Education, Extension;
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Agricultural Statistics and Research Methods; Biomedical Sciences; Precision Farming; Food Security; Gender
and Agriculture; Remittances and Agriculture; Rural Livelihoods; Sustainable Agriculture; Organic Farming; and
any related disciplines.

Deadlines: The abstract must be submitted by December 31, 2019 (11:59 pm ET). Abstract can be submitted
through the conference website: http://napaamericas.org or by an email to napaconference2020@gmail.com
and manoj.karkee@gmail.com. Abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Sub–Committee and the
corresponding author(s) will be notified of decision via email by February 1, 2020.

Funding for the travel: A limited number of travel grants (registration waiver or gratis hotel room for three
nights on a shared basis or meals for 3–day conference, or in combination) are available to support students
and young professionals from developing countries.

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175 EAAE Seminar
Call for Papers
Gargnano (Garda lake) | Italy | May 13 – 15, 2020
The objective of the seminar is to improve the understanding of sustainability standards and their effects on
agricultural, food, and bio–based value chains. The seminar focuses on public and private sustainability
standards. Both drivers and implications of their emergence are of interest, with emphasis on the economic,
governance and policy perspectives. Emphasis is both on theoretical and empirical applications.

We are pleased to partner with Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy (AEPP), a journal of the Agricultural
and Applied Economic Association (AAEA), for the work coming out of this seminar. Out of the papers
accepted for the seminar, we anticipate publishing between 8–12 papers. This will compose a Special Issue
that will be extensively promoted by the conference organizers, EAAE, AAEA, AEPP, and Wiley (the publisher of
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Confirmed keynotes speakers are:

- **Prof. Miet Maertens** – KU Leuven
- **Prof. Ian Sheldon** – The Ohio State University
- **Prof. Sofia Villas–Boas** – University of California, Berkeley

The main topics of the Seminar are listed [here](#). Participants will have the opportunity to present a paper, a poster or organize thematic sessions on the topics of the seminar.

The Seminar is jointly organized by the Università degli Studi di Milano (Department of Environmental Science and Policy) and the Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Department of Agri-food Economics).

Submissions are now open until **January 15, 2020**.

Event website: [https://eaae175.sustainabilitystandards.it/](https://eaae175.sustainabilitystandards.it/)

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