



ECPA
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Dear Fellow Precision Agriculturists,

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**** REGISTRATION NOW OPEN****

We are pleased to confirm that full registration, booking and payment for conference attendance is now open. Please go to the website and firstly read details under the menu option 'How to Register...'. For everyone who has pre-registered please sign in and then go through the booking process. If you are not ready to register fully this is not a problem and you can remain on the 'pre-registered lists' until you are. Poster abstract submissions remain open and anyone who is not currently pre-registered, and not ready to make a booking (and we understand that many require an acceptance to get approval to travel), you can enter your registration details but use a code to stop the registration process before payment.

*** ECPA PROCEEDINGS ***

Very many thanks to all the authors, reviewers and editors of our ECPA proceedings who have been busy working on an amazing set of full papers. We had over 300 abstracts submitted, with most for oral presentations. A total of 141 full papers are now away to our publishers for full type-setting. To create a pragmatic and fair programme, we worked with authors with multiple submissions to reduce to one only and asked that many transferred from oral to posters. Many thanks to all who have worked so hard to produce the proceedings. The quality and breadth of papers is excellent and provides the basis for what we anticipate to be an outstanding science programme. Several authors have raised concerns about the change in publication of proceedings and avoiding issues such as those experienced with the 2009 Proceedings. We are aware of these and can assure authors that the proceedings will be published in a proper manner. More clarification will be sent to authors directly in the near future.

POSTERS

We have a large number of poster abstracts already submitted and some authors have already had acceptances where they requested these. Our deadline (published on the website) for poster abstracts is May, and as a result we have not yet formally communicated with submitters on acceptance/rejection. Our plan is to be able to accept as many as possible. Options for poster proceedings and presentation layouts are still being finalised, as we are having to plan for high numbers. In the meantime, please note that poster boards (900mm wide x 1200mm high) will be Portrait to take A1 posters (841mm wide x 1189 mm high). Please note no other format will be allowed. Clarification on poster will be provided soon.

*** PRECISION MANAGEMENT OF GRASSLANDS AND GRAZING LIVESTOCK – SATELLITE PROGRAMME ***

As noted in our last Newsletter, these sessions will run alongside ECPA, but with a different proceedings timeline and publication plan. We will welcome summary papers until April 1st for the oral and poster presentations for the separate Precision Management of Grassland and Grazing Livestock proceedings. Oral sessions will run alongside the full ECPA programme from Tuesday lunchtime and through Wednesday. Please click the 'Grasslands' tab on the menu. There is a separate registration fee for this satellite meeting, but there will be 'access all areas' for all from Tuesday lunchtime onwards. Delegates to the grassland satellite only will not have access to ECPA sessions on Monday and Tuesday morning. Speakers and poster presenters etc for the Grasslands satellite sessions can attend the full Sunday to Thursday ECPA programme by paying a single ECPA registration fee. No-one should pay anymore than a single registration fee.

*** EXHIBITORS AND SPONSORSHIP ***

Interest amongst exhibitors and sponsors is gathering pace and we are pleased to announce that the following have confirmed support of the conference: Agricultural Engineering Precision Innovation Centre (Agri-Epi Centre), Agrimetrics, AgriSat, Delta-T Devices, Innovation Centre for Sensor and Imaging Systems (CENSIS), Next Instruments, Soil Essentials, SOYL and the UK Department for International Trade. A number of other companies and organisations are currently discussing their involvement. There is still ample opportunity and space in the exhibition areas to contribute towards a vibrant element of the conference.

Regards

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