

Dear IFMA Newsletter Subscriber,

In this newsletter:

IFMA19 Congress, Warsaw, Poland, 21-26 July 2013 – Website has recently been updated.

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IFMA19 Congress Website <http://www.ifma19.org>

“Transforming agriculture – between policy, science and the consumer”

The 19th IFMA Congress website has had a major update since the last Newsletter.

On the website you can now see and download lots of information:

Home Page – Welcomes you to the congress and now carries links to download IFMA19 Congress fliers in English and Polish. Please use these (and or this Newsletter) to spread the word and promote the congress to friends and colleagues.

Congress Venue page – carries photos of the beautiful venue at the University of Life Sciences in Warsaw for the congress, with an enlargeable map of the university campus.

Expression of Interest page – If you have not already done so, you can register your interest in the congress, in the pre/post congress tours, and the tour for accompanying persons. Update e-mails will be sent to those who express their interest from time to time.

Call for Papers page – Full details of the call for papers including downloadable specifications for Peer Review and Non-Peer Review papers, and poster abstracts are now available for Contributed Papers to the Congress. The congress organisers are keen to receive both practical farm management non-peer review papers (see the list of 7 subject areas) as well as papers for Peer Review. Final date for submission of papers is **January 31st 2013** (but please don't leave it until then!). Submission of papers can start from the date Registration is open – which is scheduled to be October 31st 2012. As before, at least one author must register before April 30th 2013 for the paper to be included in the proceedings.

Pre and Post Congress Tours page – Draft programs for these tours are now outlined with photos of some of the places they will visit – more detailed programs will be available in due course. The Pre Tour will travel east and north and include Gdańsk. The Post Tour will travel east and south and will include Kraków. Both are 8 day tours starting and finishing in Warsaw, and will have the usual mix of agricultural and cultural visits. Follow the tours on the animated maps of Poland. With its grand but often troubled history Poland has a lot to offer, and you will be amazed at the transformation since its entry into the EU. Certainly the most modern milk processing factory, and largest and most automated apple storage plant I have ever seen were during my visits there.

Accompanying Person Program page – This will be mainly based in Warsaw with several interesting visits in this surprisingly open and beautiful city – currently a draft of the program is shown with many photos, and this will be confirmed in time for registration opening.

Practical Information, Visas and Travel to Poland page – This page offers information on public transport, taxis, the weather, currencies, credit cards and ATMs. Also in a sub-section of this page is advice on how to find out if you need a **Visa**, and what to do to get one if you do. Please check this at an early stage if you intend coming to Poland – there is a hyperlink on the page to check which countries do not require a visa (72 countries), and then instructions on how to proceed should you require one. Allow time for obtaining your visa – the process varies depending on which country you are a national of, but is likely to include filling an application form online, followed by an interview at a Polish consulate or embassy for which you will need to arrange an appointment. In another sub-section to this page **Travel to Poland** you will find useful information about flying and other modes of transport into Poland and to Warsaw. Warsaw Chopin Airport is very convenient for getting to the accommodation that will be recommended for the Congress, and will be the main airport for international flights by the major Airlines.

Sponsors page – This page contains the details of the sponsorship opportunities and I know Edward Majewski (the organising chairman) would welcome any approaches and offers of sponsorship.

Registration page – Details are still to come, but it is planned that Registration will open on 31st October 2012 – when the Delegate fees will be available, if not before. Anyone needing these for budgeting purposes before then should contact the organisers by e-mail on ifma19@sggw.pl for 'ball-park' costs. Also on this page are instructions for those needing "Letters of Invitation".

Accommodation page – Also still to come - but a range of suitable hotels and good quality student accommodation, reasonably close to the venue for the congress, will be recommended by the organisers and be available for booking in good time.

A lot of the arrangements are now in place for the congress, many of the plenary speakers are agreed, and all looks set for another excellent congress, so do take a look at the website and start your preparations to attend what will be a most important congress at a critical time for world agriculture*. <http://www.ifma19.org>. And please encourage others to start planning for IFMA19 next July.

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This issue opens with a flourish in the shape of George Magnus asking whether emerging markets have already emerged: a question given additional piquancy by global events occurring since he gave this paper at the Oxford Farming Conference in January 2012. Five excellent refereed articles examine specific aspects of food production, environmental management and land management, and Barrie Florey enthuses about a new book on farm management by Kent Olson. To give you a view of the wide range of subjects and countries from which the papers have come from the contents are:

Viewpoint

Have emerging markets already emerged? Author: Magnus, George (Senior Economic Adviser to UBS Investment Bank)

Refereed Papers

Application of an optimisation model for analysing production seasonality in the Irish milk processing sector. Authors: Heinschink, Karin E.; Shalloo, Laurence; Wallace, Michael T. (Ireland)

Can rent adjustment clauses reduce the income risk of farms? Authors: Hotopp, Henning; Mußhoff, Oliver (Germany)

Selection indices offer potential for New Zealand sheep farmers to reduce greenhouse gas emissions per unit of product. Authors: Ludemann, Cameron I.; Byrne, Timothy J.; Sise, Judith A.; Amer, Peter R. (New Zealand)

Intra-national importation of pig and poultry manure: acceptability under EU Nitrates Directive constraints. Authors: Buckley, Cathal; Fealy, Réamonn (Ireland)

Adopting a Farming Systems Research Approach to carry out an economic and environmental analysis of food supply chains. Authors: Tavella, Elena; Pedersen, Søren Marcus; Gylling, Morten (Denmark)

Book Review

Economics of Farm Management in a Global Setting. Book Author: Kent Olsen (USA). Review Author: Florey, Barrie

The IJAM Journal Editor, Martyn Warren, is always on the lookout for new papers – if you would like to contribute a Viewpoint, Paper for Review or other article or book review please visit the IJAM website at <http://www.ijagman.org/> for more information.

This issue completes the first year of our new Journal and has demonstrated the value of a) combining resources with the IAGRM and b) having the journal hosted on a professional journal publishing website. Many universities and other organisations have become Organisational Subscribers to the International Journal of Agricultural Management. In the next few months I hope to announce that the 1st Edition has been changed to "free access" for all. *Currently non-members can access the 2nd Edition which was placed on the **IngentaConnect** publishing website with 'free access' to all the content to promote the new Journal. Click <http://www.ingentaconnect.com/content/iagrm/ijam> and select the 2nd edition (F in blue box). (Note: you can also freely access back numbers of both the 'Journal of International Farm

Management' and the 'Journal of Farm Management' (IAgrM's previous Journal) – just enter the journal's name into the search facility and click the down arrow and select Journal Title.)

**Harvest News from around the world* – it seems many parts of the world have either had severe drought and hot weather, or far too much rain and cold weather– and that many major production areas have severely reduced harvests and / or poor quality. All predictions are for worldwide shortages of food and high prices again - another critical period for food supply and all that that entails for our industry and the increasing world population. IFMA19 will be an excellent opportunity to see how this has played out in different parts of the world, and to learn about the new policies, science and technologies to assist us going forward. The theme of the congress could not be more appropriate!

Best Regards,
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