

AAEA News

2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting Hotel Room Block - OPEN

[Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel](#)

1550 Court Place,
Denver, Colorado, USA, 80202
(303) 893-3333

AAEA Group Rate: \$229.00
Reservations must be received on
or before **Tuesday, June 24, 2025.**

Please book using the AAEA Group rate here:

<https://book.passkey.com/e/50926533>

Join us at Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel for the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting. The fully renovated family hotel in Denver, CO offers access to some of the best attractions in downtown Denver. Experience the best shopping, dining and entertainment including RiNo, LoDo and Uptown neighborhoods. Explore effortlessly thanks to the nearby light rail station, which takes you to Coors Field, Denver Zoo or Denver Art Museum. Recharge after a full day in Denver at their luxury Denver hotel with a year-round heated rooftop pool, 5,000-square-foot Sheraton Fitness center, Topgolf Swing Suite or on-site dining at Yard House and BEZEL. The four-star hotel maximizes your time from a lobby with town-square energy to a full service Club Lounge to more than 140,000 square feet of flexible meeting space. Work smart from a pet-friendly hotel room with free Wi-Fi and a height-adjustable desk with an ergonomic chair. Take in the spectacular views from one of the 138 suites options. Work, meet and relax at Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel.



2025 AAEA Membership Renewal

We invite and encourage you to [renew your AAEA membership](#) for 2025! Renewing ensures that you'll stay connected with your association and peers. It also gives you the chance to be engaged with leading edge work being done by our members and support your AAEA through the activities of the association.

You can get involved in the AAEA through:

- **Serving on a Committee:** Each year, AAEA asks our members to help in various roles including being part of an association committee. AAEA has a number of committees that need volunteers each year,

including membership, employment services, and the AAEA Trust. You now have the opportunity to express your interest in volunteering right on the [online membership form](#). AAEA President–elect makes appointments in the spring.

- **Joining a Section:** Being involved in AAEA Sections is one of the best ways to make new connections within the profession. Sections are specialized sub–groups of AAEA members organized around similar interests. AAEA currently has [29 Sections](#), each with its own area of focus. Once you’ve joined a Section, you have many more opportunities to get involved. These include serving on the Section leadership, being involved in the Section’s Annual Meeting sessions and activities, and communicating with other Section members through a listserv.
- **Reviewing Annual Meeting Submissions:** Being part of an association means that you have a direct connection to a wide range of expertise in your field. Each year, AAEA takes advantage of the expertise of our members and enlists numerous volunteers to review submissions to the Annual Meeting and make recommendations as to which should be included in the program. When you renew this year, you’ll have the chance to indicate your areas of expertise if you’re interested in helping the association by serving as a reviewer.

An active and engaged membership is the lifeblood of our AAEA. We appreciate all that you do to support AAEA and hope that you will take advantage of the opportunities that are available to connect with and engage your peers, the profession, and AAEA. If you have any questions about AAEA or about opportunities for becoming involved, please do not hesitate to contact us anytime at info@aaea.org or by phone at (414) 918–3190.

Selected Presentation Papers and Posters

Call for Abstracts

AAEA seeks submissions for Selected Presentations for the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver, CO. Selected Presentations are a submission category that represents both Selected Papers and Selected Posters. All submissions are reviewed together, and only after acceptance, will the submissions be assigned as a paper or poster presentation. 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 maximum, 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, contact information, and sources in the abstract file*.

Abstracts must be received by **January 15, 2025, at 11:59 pm CST**, and must 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. When entering the title of your abstract, please be sure to submit the title as you would like it to appear in the program – with proper title capitalization and punctuation.

When submitting your abstract to the abstract system you will need to select three subject codes. The first subject code you select is the subject your abstract will be grouped in when being reviewed. This is an important step as it ensures your abstract will be reviewed by those with expertise in that particular subject. The second or third selected subject code may be used later during the scheduling process if your abstract is accepted.

To assist you with selecting a subject code, the Selected Presentations Committee has created [keywords for each of the subject codes](#). We recommend you refer to the keywords for subject codes to help you determine the appropriate subject code for your submission.

If accepted, sessions are comprised of abstracts with the same subject codes. All accepted abstracts will be presented in person only.

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 posters. Presentation proposal acceptance notifications will be sent via email from the AAEA Business Office in late 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 intervals 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 14, 2025**. Uploads must be below 4 MB in size to be uploaded. 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 PDF version of their paper to the AAEA submission site by **May 14, 2025**. You may submit an updated version later. Uploads must be below 4 MB in size to be uploaded. 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, apart from the single table/figure per page convention.

Additional Important Information

If accepted, presenters of papers and/or posters must be a current 2025 member of AAEA and registered for the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting **by May 14, 2025**. Presenters who miss this deadline will be

withdrawn from the program. If your institution will be registering you for the annual meeting, please be sure to notify them of this deadline to ensure that you are registered by the deadline.

[The Abstract Management System is now open.](#)

Invited Paper Sessions

Call for Proposals:

AAEA welcomes proposals for Invited Paper sessions for the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver, CO. Papers in these Invited Paper sessions may be published in the *Applied Economics Perspectives and Policy (AEPP)* in March 2026, subject to review. Proposals from individuals or groups need to be submitted using the online submission system by **December 4, 2024**.

[The Abstract Management System is now open.](#)

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 are not recommended.

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.

All presenters must present in-person.

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.

Final versions of the invited papers must be submitted to AAEA by **May 14, 2025**. 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 **August 25, 2025**.

Note: 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 visit the [AAEA Annual Meeting Website](#) for more information about the annual meeting.

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.

Track Sessions sponsored by AAEA Sections

Call for Proposals

The AAEA Executive Board invites Track Session proposals for the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado. Initial proposals need to be submitted by **Wednesday, December 4, 2024**, to AAEA's online submission system. All Track Session proposals must be submitted by an individual from a Section's leadership team (e.g. current Chair). Final, detailed submissions associated with each session are due by **March 10, 2025**. 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 2025 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 online 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 visit the [2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting website](#) for more information about the annual meeting.

Please contact Jessica Weister at jweister@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190 if you have any other questions about submitting or participating in a Track Session.

Case Studies

Call for Proposals:

AAEA welcomes proposals for Case Studies for the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver, CO. Cases in this Invited Paper session may be published in the *Applied Economics Teaching Resources* ([AETR](#)) in

January 2026, subject to review. Proposals from individuals or groups need to be submitted using AAEA's online submission system by **11:59 pm CST on December 4, 2024**.

[The Abstract Management System is now open.](#)

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 31, 2025**.

Selected case studies (with teaching note when applicable) should be completed by **Wednesday, April 8, 2024**. 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 14, 2025**. 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 14, 2025**. 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/Volume-3-Issue-4>

If you have any questions about submitting a Case Study Proposal, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or at (414) 918–3190.

Organized Symposia**Call for Proposals:**

AAEA seeks submissions for Organized Symposia for the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver, CO. Proposals are due by **January 15, 2025**, and should be submitted using AAEA's online submission system.

[The Abstract Management System is now open.](#)

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 **May 14, 2025**.

All presenters must present in-person.

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

Please visit the [AAEA Annual Meeting Website](#) for more information about the annual meeting.

Pre- and Post-conference Workshops**Call for Proposals:**

The AAEA Executive Board invites proposals for Pre- and Post-conference Workshops at the [2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting](#) in Denver, CO. The deadline for proposals is **December 2**. 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 website, <https://www.aaea.org/meetings>, Title of proposed session and the proposed date and time that the workshop would take place (potential dates include Saturday, July 26, and Wednesday, July 30).

Proposals should include:

1. 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
2. Potential speakers, presenters, or panel members, and the total time required for these presentations
3. Intended audience and expected attendance at the workshop
4. Contact information for organizers in charge of overall development and coordination (complete addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses)
5. 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
6. Any requests for membership and/or registration fee waivers that may be required in order to properly conduct the workshop
7. 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 website, <https://www.aaea.org/meetings> by **December 2, 2024**.

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

Choices Magazine: Article Highlight

[Water Justice Concerns in the Colorado River Basin](#)

Bonnie Colby and Zoey Reed-Spitzer

Water policy decisions, contamination, and supply disruptions have disproportionate impacts on low-income and minority populations which may lack resources to support resilience. This article discusses several water justice challenges for tribal nations and Hispanic acequia communities in the CRB, along with the contributions of these groups to regional water resilience.

Interested in publishing in Choices? Submit your Individual, Theme, or Data Visualizations [here](#).

AJAE Editorship Applications

Call for Applications

Editorship appointments for the American Journal of Agricultural Economics are staggered such that two new appointments are made every two years. The AAEA Board now seeks a diverse group of applicants at the full professor level (or equivalent) by the start of the appointment for two co-editors to be appointed to replace current co-editors Jesse Tack and Rudy Nayga for a four-year term beginning in January 2026. Each co-editor handles approximately one-fourth of the submitted manuscripts and makes independent editorial decisions on these submissions. The degree to which candidate's expertise complements that of continuing editors Nicholas Magnan and Christian Langpap will be considered in the selection process.

In addition, editors share the administrative responsibilities of managing the AJAE. Each editor should plan to dedicate up to 25 percent of his/her time to AJAE editorial duties. AAEA will provide financial assistance to defray some portion of the editors' time and most expenses.

Transition Timing

The AAEA Board will make final selections by early 2025. The new editors should be prepared to begin the transition process at the 2025 AAEA & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver, CO, July 27–29, 2025 and expect to be fully engaged in editorial duties by January 1, 2026. Interested candidates can consult the journal website for information on the journal at <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/14678276>.

Please note that all editors need to maintain their AAEA membership throughout their service to the journal.

Applications

Applications should include:

- a brief statement expressing interest which should include applicant's areas of expertise and editorial philosophy for the AJAE,
- curriculum vitae (including descriptions of previous editorial work),
- statements of administrative support from the candidate's department chair, dean or other appropriate administrative officer.

Applications should be sent electronically via PDF to Allison Ware, Senior Communications & Membership Manager, at aware@aaea.org by **November 29, 2024**. Nominations of potentially interested candidates who can then be solicited for their materials are also welcome.

AAEA at ASSA

Friday, January 3

[Food Choices and Response to Public Policies: New Evidence on the Behavioral Dimension](#) (A1)

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM (PST)

Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Chair: Beatrice Biondi, University of Bologna

[Food Economics: Reaching New Audiences in Public Health, Climate Resilience and Development](#) (A1)

12:30 PM – 2:15 PM (PST)

Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Chair: William Masters, Tufts University

[TW Schultz Lecture and Reception](#)

6:15 PM – 8:45 PM (PST)

Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Award Winner and Lecturer: David Lobell, Stanford University

Saturday, January 4

[Local Food Retail Environment: Are Solutions for Equitable Food Access Attainable?](#) (A1)

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM (PST)

Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Chair: Gayaneh Kyureghian, IÉSEG School of Management

[Farm Labor Supply Challenges and Policy Implications](#) (A1)

10:15 AM – 12:15 PM (PST)

Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Chair: Marcelo Castillo, United States Department of Agriculture

Sunday, January 5

[Research Frontiers in Agricultural Policy and Trade: Tariff Quotas, Virtual Water Trade, Non-Tariff Measures, and Climate Impacts](#) (A1)

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM (PST)

Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Chair: Sandro Steinbach, North Dakota State University

[Improving Agricultural Input Markets in Developing Countries: Market Efficiency and Entrepreneurial Dynamics](#) (A1)

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM (PST)

Hilton San Francisco Union Square

Chair: Jeremy Foltz, University of Wisconsin–Madison

More information for the 2025 ASSA Annual Meeting can be [found here](#).

Government Relations & Washington Update

November 2024

Congress Returns for Lame Duck Session

In the wake of the 2024 election, Congress returns to Washington on November 12th with key unfinished business. Addressing appropriations for fiscal year 2025 is high on the list of priorities. The current continuing resolution to fund the federal government expires on December 20th. Congressional leaders will be considering whether to complete funding for the remainder of the fiscal year, or pass another short term resolution pushing final decisions on funding levels to next year with a new Congress and President Trump in power. It is currently unclear which path Congress will take. In addition to appropriations, there will be efforts to pass disaster relief to help those impacted by recent storms and the bridge collapse in Baltimore.

Another key piece of legislation that will need action during the lame duck is the Farm Bill. There is a sense of urgency in farm country for certainty going into a new crop year. Prior to the election, amidst pressure from stakeholders, House and Senate committee leaders met to discuss a potential pathway to move the Farm Bill before the end of the year. Given the results of the election, it is uncertain whether Democrats will be motivated to reach an agreement with Republicans while they still control the Senate, or whether Republicans will prefer to push the debate into 2025 when they have greater control of Congress and the White House. If Congress decides not to complete a new Farm Bill in the lame duck, they will need to pass an extension of the 2018 bill to avoid a reversion to permanent law when the new crop year begins in 2025. It is likely such an

extension would cover the full crop year for 2025 to provide certainty and consistency across commodities and also give Congress additional time to complete a new bill in 2025.

Registration Open for USDA's 101st Agricultural Outlook Forum

On October 31st, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced that [registration is now open](#) for the 101st Agricultural Outlook Forum. The event, titled "Meeting Tomorrow's Challenges, Today," will be held at the Crystal City Gateway Marriott on February 27–28, 2025. Additionally, all Forum sessions will be livestreamed on a virtual platform.

The Forum program will feature a presentation on the 2025 outlook for the U.S. agricultural economy and trade by USDA Chief Economist Seth Meyer. The program will also include a plenary panel of distinguished guest speakers, alongside 30 breakout sessions organized by USDA agencies that will explore a wide range of current issues. Over one hundred experts from government, industry, and academia will provide insights on key topics such as commodity and food price forecasts, farm income, U.S. and global agricultural trade, the future of biofuels, climate change strategies, and advancements in biotechnology. The in-person event will also feature exhibit booths by different USDA agencies, providing attendees with information about recent USDA-funded innovations and the Department's key programs and activities.

ERS to Hold Webinar: Rural America at a Glance, 2024 Edition

In this webinar, ERS Geographer Tracey Farrigan highlights the most recent indicators of social and economic conditions in rural areas, focusing on the age structure of the rural population and the implications of age-related demographic change including rural migration, labor force participation, poverty, childcare, eldercare, and broadband. The USDA's Economic Research Service releases the Rural America at a Glance report annually, which summarizes the status of conditions and trends in rural areas. The webinar will be held at 1pm on Wednesday, November 13th.

[Register for the Webinar](#)

Other News

ICABR Call for Abstracts

Circular Bioeconomy and Systems of Sustainability

Food production faces a host of interconnected challenges – water scarcity, resource depletion, deforestation, rising energy costs – are but a few of the factors that impact not only the amount of food produced, but also its price. Circular bioeconomies offer potential solutions through a systems approach to improve the sustainability of food production. However, producing more with less, requires significant innovation investments, efficient regulations and unrestricted trade. Improved sustainability requires a systems approach, where policy or regulatory changes in one phase of the innovation pipeline can adversely or beneficially impact other phases.

If feeding a growing global population was not challenging enough, it will have to be achieved through increasingly changing climates. Climate variability is increasing, with more erratic, localized conditions, including both droughts and floods. With changing climates occurring at more regional levels, solutions to mitigate the effects will also need to become increasingly regionally focused. This need highlights the

importance of national and international research collaboration, such as the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research network of institutions, as well as the contributions from public-private partnerships.

The 29th ICABR Conference is seeking submissions in regard to the following themes.

Conference Themes

1. Sustainable Agricultural Practices and Technological Bioeconomy Innovations

Increases in agricultural production will be required to quantify sustainability improvements, which may vary widely depending upon the market. Agronomic advances will be essential as will advances in technologies capable of measuring and confirming improvements. Not only will technology advances be important, but advances in the bioeconomy as well.

- Sustainable Technologies: Innovations in sustainable farming techniques, balancing productivity with environmental stewardship
- Technological Innovations in Agriculture: Role of precision agriculture, digital tools, AI, and machine learning

2. Climate Adaptation Strategies and Crop Management

Ensuring that at the very least, yields are maintained, but preferably increase as climates change will be crucial for ensuring food insecurity does not worsen in the coming decades. New plant breeding techniques, such as gene editing offer tremendous potential in dealing with the looming climate adversity.

- Climate-Resilient Crop Varieties: Development and adoption of drought resistant, heat-tolerant crops, genetic modifications, and new breeding techniques
- Impact of Climate Change on Pest and Disease Dynamics: Emerging pests and diseases due to climate shifts, integrated pest management strategies

3. Policy and Economic Impacts

For innovation to flourish and provide markets and economies with improved products and processes, regulations need to be risk appropriate. Policy and regulatory barriers will ultimately contribute to needlessly perpetuating food insecurity as well as limiting successful innovations from reaching the market more rapidly.

- Policy and Governance for Climate-Smart Agriculture: Policy frameworks supporting climate adaptation and mitigation, role of governments, and international organizations
- Economic Impacts and Market Dynamics: Economic implications of agricultural intensification, market responses to climate-induced agricultural changes

Important Dates

November 15, 2024 – Abstract submission deadline (*late submission will be considered until Nov 30th if spots are left open*)

November 30, 2024 – Notice of abstract acceptance

April 30, 2025 – Submission of accepted papers

Types of Submissions for the Conference

Selected papers

Abstracts addressing the highlighted key themes are invited for submission. Abstracts should be up to 400 words in length and be structured. They must include the following headings:

- a) Context – describe the relevance of the subject matter and how it relates to the call for abstracts.
- b) Objectives – describe the objective or research focus of the paper.
- c) Methods – describe the method(s) utilized in the paper.
- d) Results – summarize the key results of the research.
- e) Implications – describe why are the findings important.

Case Studies

Case studies should assess a discrete technology, within a defined setting, providing for a robust assessment of the resulting impacts. Case study submissions should clearly outline what is being assessed, what the control is, the time frame and the data collection method.

Panel Proposals and/or Organized Sessions

Submissions need to identify the focus and objective of the panel or the session, as well as confirmed or proposed panelists/speakers. Submissions should identify what each panelist/speaker will be presenting. Abstracts of up to 400 words should be submitted, highlighting the objectives of the session and the importance of the information. Proposals that do not reflect a diversity of panelists will be rejected.

Posters

Submissions for poster only presentations can be submitted. Submissions do not need to be focused on a specific research paper, but may be broader, addressing an important issue of topic in line with the conference theme.

Seeking Agricultural Economist Specializing in the Bioeconomy for Farm Foundation Fellowship

Farm Foundation is pleased to announce the call for nominations for the [2025 Farm Foundation Agricultural Economics Fellowship](#). The 2025 fellowship is focused on the bioeconomy and related fields of applied economic research. **Nominations will be accepted through November 18, 2024.**

Benefits of the Farm Foundation Agricultural Economics Fellow program include:

- Paid Fellowship
- Connections with researchers in the USDA and other agencies
- Opportunity to publish research
- Networking across the industry
- Support to attend conferences and events

This Fellow will work with diverse stakeholders on integrated systems approaches to develop a greater understanding of **how the bioeconomy affects U.S. and global food and agricultural markets**. The Ag Econ Fellow may focus work on connecting regulatory, legal, and institutional frameworks to conduct economic research and communicate findings related to renewable energy and the bioeconomy, including, but not

limited to circular economy themes, sustainable aviation fuel, biofuel feedstocks, biogas, and bioenergy from biomass.

How to Nominate

Nominations from faculty or other professional references, as well as self-nominations, will be accepted. The [nomination form](#) and more information on the Agricultural Economics Fellowship are available on the Farm Foundation website at farmfoundation.org/ag-economics-fellow.

For additional information, please reach out to [Tim Brennan, vice president of programs and strategic impact](#) at Farm Foundation.

Gund Institute for Environment Funded PhD Opportunities

The Gund Institute for Environment at the University of Vermont (UVM) seeks exceptional PhD applicants to conduct interdisciplinary research on global environmental challenges beginning in fall 2025. Applications are due **January 5, 2025**.

The Gund Institute is a research center dedicated to understanding and tackling the world's most critical environmental challenges, where over 250 faculty, global affiliates, postdocs, and graduate students collaborate widely to understand interactions among ecological, social, and economic systems.

Driven by the belief that research should inspire action, we explore environmental issues at the interface of five pressing research themes—climate solutions, health and well-being, sustainable agriculture, resilient communities, and equity and justice—in partnership with government, industry, and broader society.

We are committed to ensuring an inclusive environment where diverse voices and perspectives are active and welcome. We encourage applicants who bring diverse perspectives to our community.

Students will receive up to four years of funding, including an annual stipend of \$35,000, plus tuition. All students are eligible for health insurance and additional funds for conference travel and research costs.

For more details and application instructions, explore uvm.edu/gund/gund-phd-research-fellowships.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Julianna White at julianna.m.white@uvm.edu

Call for paper proposals

The NCCC-134 Multi-state Research Coordinating Committee on Applied Commodity Price Analysis, Forecasting, and Market Risk Management invites paper proposals for presentation at its upcoming conference to be held April 14-15, 2025 in Chicago, Illinois. We are excited to bring this conference back to Chicago, a hub of global commodities trading, for the first time since 2007.

We encourage paper proposals on all aspects of commodity price analysis and risk management, especially those related to agricultural commodities and agribusiness risk management. Proposed papers should emphasize applied research. The deadline for submissions is **November 22, 2024**. The Committee will notify all submitting authors of their decision by January 2025. One author must be registered for the meeting by February 1, 2025. Completed papers are due on June 1, 2025 for posting in the NCCC-134 paper archive.

Full instructions on how to submit a proposal, including format and a sample proposal, plus other information about the 2025 conference can be found on the [updated NCCC-134 website](#). Venue and hotel details will be posted soon. Questions about paper proposal submissions can be directed to NCCC-134 co-chair [Andres Trujillo-Barrera](#). Questions about meeting logistics can be directed to NCCC-134 co-chair [Joe Janzen](#).

Please share this call widely and encourage your colleagues, collaborators, and graduate students to submit and attend the conference. More information on how to connect with NCCC-134 can be found on our [website](#).

See you in Chicago in 2025!

[Joe Janzen](#), University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

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