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Welcome to your new ISPA newsletter!

This new format will reach you more often and in a more useful way than in the previous version.

The ISPA wants to get in touch with you with key and timely information. Stay tuned!

Your ISPA Board

10th European Conference of Precision Agriculture

The [10th ECPA](#) will take place at the Volcani Center in Israel from July 12 to 16, 2015.

First Conference on Proximal Sensing Supporting Precision Agriculture

The "[1st Conference on Proximal Sensing Supporting Precision Agriculture](#)" will be held in Turin, Italy from 6 to 10 September 2015. This conference will take place together with the 21st European Meeting of Environmental and Engineering Geophysics and the First European Airborne Electromagnetics Conference.

4th Global Workshop on Proximal Soil Sensing

[GW PSS2015](#) will be organized by Zhejiang University and will be held in Hangzhou, China on May 12-15, 2015. The theme of the 2015 workshop is "Sensing soil conditions and functions".

UAS

New [rules](#) offer hope for wider use of drones, or UAS, in agriculture. The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration released its proposed rules for unmanned aerial systems under 55 pounds. Those rules, to be published in the Federal Register, will offer the public 60 days to comment before a final rule is locked in - a process that can take the FAA an added 90 to 120 days. It looks like agriculture may get some certainty on the use of the technology in 2015.

Harold Reetz Steps Down as ISPA Executive Director



Dr. Harold Reetz, Executive Director of ISPA since its founding, resigned in November, 2014 for personal reasons. The ISPA Board greatly appreciates the years of service Harold provided to the organization and to the International Conferences on Precision Agriculture. We wish him well in his future endeavors. Harold retains a keen interest in precision agriculture and the Society and we hope to see him at future Conferences.

Introducing Quentin Rund as ISPA Executive Secretary

Quentin Rund, CEO of PAQ Interactive will serve as ISPA Executive Secretary. Mr. Rund has helped organize the ICPA since 2008 and has been in the precision agriculture industry since 1994. Rund's company, PAQ Interactive, will provide member services and support to the Society.

The International Society of Precision Agriculture (ISPA) is a non-profit professional scientific organization.

The mission of ISPA is to advance the science of precision agriculture globally.

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