

# ISPA Newsletter 13(5): AgriTech Survey, Jobs, Events and More

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# ISPA

International Society of Precision Agriculture

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



### Help Shape the Future of AgriTech in Europe



The AGRITECH project held its kick-off meeting in Thessaloniki, Greece. Marcel Ionescu, ISPA Country Representative for Romania, and Gabor Milics, ISPA Country Representative for Hungary, participated in the meeting and engaged in collaborative discussions. Both represent partner institutions within the project consortium.

As an associated partner of the AGRITECH project - "Alliance for Innovative Learning Environment in Advanced Agriculture through Technology and Management" (ERASMUS-EDU-2024-PI-ALL-INNO), ISPA is supporting the development of the new "AgriTech Manager" role - a key professional leading the digital and green transition in agriculture.

We invite agri-businesses, researchers, educators, technology providers, and policymakers to contribute their insights by completing a short questionnaire. Your input will directly inform future training programs and the formal recognition of this role in EU frameworks such as ESCO., the European Skills, Competences, Qualifications and Occupations classification, official tool of the European Commission.

Please complete the survey by **6 June 2025**. The survey is available in the following languages:

[English](#) [Greek](#) [Hungarian](#) [Romanian](#) [Czech](#) [Italian](#)

## ISPA Country Representative - Brent Sams

# ***Brent Sams***

## ***ISPA United States Representative***

Brent Sams is a research scientist in the Viticulture Research department at E&J Gallo Winery. His interests include Precision Agriculture, Variable Rate Management, Remote Sensing, Horticulture, and Biogeography. Current work involves assessing spatial variability of fruit quality at different spatial scales, variable rate management, and yield/fruit quality sensing/prediction.



**Brent Sams, PhD**



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Country Representatives serve to help promote ISPA by championing the ISPA mission and purpose globally, in particular, in the country they represent. ISPA is growing internationally so Country Representatives remain an important position to help ISPA best serve people, groups, governments and others, globally connecting them to science and experts.

Please join us in thanking ISPA Country Representative from the United States, Brent Sams.

If you are interested in becoming a Country Representative, please email [info@ispag.org](mailto:info@ispag.org) with your bio highlighting your experience in precision agriculture and your CV. ISPA requires that all Country Representatives are current members of the society. To become a member, please complete the

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Login to the ISPA website using your membership credentials, then upload or update your bio and headshot, change your contact information, add links to your social media accounts, and more.

## Upcoming Events

### 15-16 JAN 2026

8th Symposium on Agri-Tech Economics for Sustainable Futures  
Newport, United Kingdom  
[www.agritechcon.co.uk/](http://www.agritechcon.co.uk/)

### 2-4 FEB 2026

International Crop Modeling Symposium (iCROPM2026)  
Florence, Italy  
[ispag.org/event\\_details/?id=230&title=iCROPM2026](http://ispag.org/event_details/?id=230&title=iCROPM2026)

### 3-5 FEB 2026

World FIRA 2026  
Toulouse, France  
[world-fira.com/](http://world-fira.com/)

### 15-18 MAR 2026

4th Latin American Congress on Precision Agriculture  
Santiago, Chile  
[congresoclap.org/](http://congresoclap.org/)

### 13-16 JUL 2026

17th International Conference on Precision Agriculture and the 11th Brazilian Congress on Precision Agriculture  
Porto Alegre, Brazil  
[ispag.org/icpa/conference](http://ispag.org/icpa/conference)

### 3-5 AUG 2026

2026 Nitrogen Use Efficiency(NUE) Meeting  
TBD  
[ispag.org/event\\_details](http://ispag.org/event_details)

### 1-3 DEC 2026

4th African Conference on Precision Agriculture  
Cairo, Egypt  
[paafrica.org](http://paafrica.org)

### 11-15 JUL 2027

16th European Conference on Precision Agriculture  
Copenhagen, Denmark  
More information to come.

**15-18 SEP 2027**

12th Asian-Australasian Conference on Precision Agriculture  
Kobe, Japan  
[smartconf.jp/content/acpa12/](http://smartconf.jp/content/acpa12/)

**16-19 JUL 2028**

18th International Conference on Precision Agriculture  
Athens, Georgia USA  
Save the date.

[See the ISPA website for a complete list of events.](#)

Do you have an event that would be of interest to our members? [Send us an email to let us know.](#)

## Jobs Listing

- [Assistant Professor in Horticulture - Department of Botany and Plant Sciences](#) - University of California, Riverside
- [Graduate Research Assistant \(Ph.D.\) position in Precision Water Management](#) - University of Missouri-Columbia

Do you have a job you would like to post to the ISPA website? Please send your job announcement, a short description, and the deadline for applications to [info@ispag.org](mailto:info@ispag.org)

## Stay Up To Date with ISPA on Social Media!

Be sure to follow ISPA on X and LinkedIn to stay up to date with what the society has to offer. If you're posting about precision agriculture and would like to reach our international community, please add **#ispag** to your post.



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### Precision Agriculture Definition

Precision Agriculture is a management strategy that gathers, processes and analyzes temporal, spatial and individual plant and animal data and combines it with other information to support management decisions according to estimated variability for improved resource use efficiency, productivity, quality, profitability and sustainability of agricultural production.

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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