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14th ICPA Update

Deadline for Papers extended to 15 May 2018

Reminder to Authors:

- Full papers (or 2-page summary for posters) must be uploaded by **15 MAY 2018** to be included in the conference and proceedings.
- One or more authors of a paper must be registered for the conference by **01 JUNE 2018** for it to be included in the conference and proceedings.
- Papers not meeting these requirements will not be included in the conference or proceedings.

Workshops

Pre-conference workshops descriptions have been updated. Please consider joining either: 1) Processing Precision Agriculture Data with R; 2) Decision support using on-farm trial (or research) data; 3) UAV Operation and Data Analysis for Precision Agriculture Applications. Registration for the workshops can be done through conference registration.

Sponsors

We want to say thank you to these wonderful sponsors of the 14th ICPA!

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Exhibitors

We are picking up more exhibitors for the conference. Please be sure to plan to visit these booths in the exhibit hall.

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2024 ICPA Awards

Know a graduate student or outstanding scientist? Nominate them for the ISPA Outstanding Graduate Student Award or the ISPA Pierre C. Robert Precision Agriculture Award. **Nomination submissions are due 16 APRIL 2024.**

Brief descriptions of the awards in different categories are listed below:

Pierre C. Robert Precision Agriculture Award(s)
The Pierre C. Robert Precision Agriculture Award honors individuals who have made significant contributions to precision agriculture science and technology and who are presenting an oral or poster paper at the conference. Two awards will be given in this category to a Young and Senior Scientist/Professional. The young scientist/professional must be 42 or younger; the senior scientist/professional over 42. Senior scientists/professionals must have 20 or more years of experience the majority of which must be in the area of precision agriculture. The nominee must be an active member of ISPA. The selected candidates will be honored during the conference award ceremony with a Plaque of Achievement and US$1000 cash award.

Click here to download the Pierre C. Robert Precision Agriculture Awards pdf application

Submissions
The entire nomination package must be submitted as one pdf file, in an e-mail attachment. **Nomination submissions are due on or before 16 APRIL 2024** to the Chair of the ICPA Awards Committee, awards@ispag.org. Questions related to the awards nomination must also be addressed to awards@ispag.org.

ISPA Outstanding Graduate Student Awards
The purpose of this award is to recognize graduate student achievement, training, preparation and research in the area of precision agriculture.

Up to 10 awards will be made to graduate students presenting their research work (oral or poster paper) at the 16th ICPA conference. The award will consist of waived conference registration fees and US$500 cash award. The selected candidates will be honored during the conference award ceremony.

The award is administered by the Award Committee of the International Society of Precision Agriculture.

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2020 ISPA Elections

The nomination committee of ISPA is requesting nominations for the following offices for the ISPA

- **President Elect** – (Six year appointment) to serve as President Elect from July 2020 to July 2022, and then move to President for July 2022 to July 2024 and then to Past-President 2024-2026.
- **Secretary** – (Two year appointment) to serve from July 2020 to July 2022
- **Treasurer** - (Four year appointment) to serve from July 2020 to July 2024

More on officer responsibilities is available here.

The ISPA is governed by an international Board of Directors consisting of elected officers (President, President-Elect, Past-President, Secretary, and Treasurer). The office of President will be filled by the current president-elect, James Lowenberg-DeBoer.

Regarding nominations for the available elected positions of President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer please feel free to nominate yourself! This is perfectly acceptable! The name of all nominators will be kept confidential.

To nominate an individual:

1. The nominator must be a current member of ISPA.
2. The nominee must be a current member of ISPA.
3. Contact the nominee and verify that they are interested/available to serve as an officer.
4. Submit a short CV (no more than 2-pages) with a high resolution picture of nominee.
5. Provide contact information for the nominee and the nominator.
6. Please send nominations to nominations@ispag.org.

Nominations must be received by 8 June 2020.

Elections will be held electronically. Ballots will be emailed to all **ACTIVE ISPA members**. Visit your My Account page (ispag.org/myaccount) to check your membership status - you will need to login using the email address associated with your membership. If questions please contact info@ispag.org.

Reminder to Weigh-in on Precision Ag Definition Survey

Your views are needed to help define what Precision Agriculture is all about, today and into the future. Your input will help ISPA adopt its own definition of Precision Agriculture that will serve as a reference for the researchers, practitioners and the public. **Please complete the very short survey and have your thoughts considered!**

14th ICPA Quick Links

Authors: abstract management, instructions for full papers and posters
Registration: online registration, pdf form for registration
Hotel / Travel: hotel info, Montreal
Invitation: email info@ispag.org to request a letter of invitation
Workshops: Data with R, Online Decision Support, Logistics of UAV Operation
Tour: Wednesday technical tour
Sponsors: become a sponsor, sponsor sign up
Exhibitors: prospectus, exhibit hall map
ISPA Membership: renewal, new members, pdf form
Smartphone App: iOS, Android

Upcoming Events

More about these events online at: https://www.ispag.org/Events
24-27 June 2018 - 14th ICPA, Montreal, Canada
17-19 July 2018 - InfoAg 2018, St. Louis, Missouri, USA
20-22 June 2019 - ICCTAFA, Konya, Turkey
08-11 July 2019 - ECPA19, Montpellier, France
23-25 July 2019 - InfoAg 2019, St. Louis, Missouri, USA
15-17 October 2019 - ACPA 2019, Punjab Agricultural University, India
28-30 July 2019 - InfoAg 2020, St. Louis, Missouri, USA

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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