



# **Call for Papers**

56th GEWISOLA Annual Conference, September 28–30, 2016 Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Institute for Food and Resource Economics

The 56th Annual Conference of the German Society of Economic and Social Sciences in Agriculture (GEWISOLA) will take place at the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Germany, September 28-30, 2016. The topic of the conference is:

# Agricultural and Food Economy: Regionally Connected and Globally Successful.

The Organizing Committee invites contributed papers on this theme to be presented at the conference. We also invite poster contributions. Contributions from the economic and social sciences of agriculture as well as from related disciplines are eligible for submission.

In addition, contributed papers or posters may address topics beyond the conference theme as long as they contribute to the state of knowledge in the economic and social sciences of agriculture. Theory oriented work and empirical analysis based on quantitative and qualitative methods are equally welcome.

The organizing committee also invites proposals for self-organized sessions to discuss topical policy questions related to the general conference theme and for pre-conference activities addressing a wider range of topics relevant for the agricultural economics profession.

#### **Deadlines**

- Submission of proposals for self-organized sessions / pre-conference activities until February
  1, 2016 (acceptance notification: February 29, 2016)
- Submission of contributed papers until March 1,
  2016 (acceptance notification: June 15, 2016)
- Submission of poster outlines until **May 2, 2016** (acceptance notification: July 15, 2016)
- Submission of revised papers for publication on conftool and on AgEconSearch until August 31, 2016

 Submission of final contributed papers and of poster summaries for publication in the conference proceedings November 7, 2016

#### Conference theme

Actors in the agricultural and food economy increasingly engage in value chains and on globalised markets. At the same time, the regional origin of products gains relevance from the consumer point of view. In this context, the conference in particular addresses the relationships between a regional basis and the international success of activities in the agricultural and food economy. Contributions to the topic may, for example, come from the following sub-themes:

- Competitiveness through regional clusters
- Regional marketing: design, support, impact
- Regional identity from the consumer perspective
- Production and quality standards (global, regional)
- Multilateral versus bilateral integration (WTO, TTIP...)
- Sustainability/Resilience of food systems: regional/global
- Spatial interaction and productivity

Contributions may also address topics beyond the conference theme.

### Instructions for contributors

#### **Contributed papers and presentations**

The contributed papers have to be fully worked out, must not exceed 12 pages and may be written in German or English. Formatting guidelines and a template is made available on the conference website. The papers must be submitted by **March 1, 2016** as PDF file through the conference website. The number of accepted papers is restricted to one presentation per contributor. For papers with multiple authors, the presenter is to be identified at the time of submission.

Two reviewers will review the papers anonymously. The following criteria are applied for evaluation: relevance and originality of the topic, quality of the methodological approach and clarity of presentation. Positively evaluated contributions are presented in thematic sessions at the conference and may be published in the conference proceedings after final revision according to the reviewers' comments

#### Self-organized sessions

The self-organized sessions shall discuss topical issues in the area of economic and social science in agriculture with representatives from politics, industry, and society. The time frame is 90 minutes. The proposals for such self-organized sessions should comprise up to 4 pages in German or English explaining the topic and the format of the session: concept, timing, contributions and speakers and/or discussants. We explicitly invite proposals for sessions enhancing discussions between science, policy and industry. The proposals must be submitted by **February 1, 2016** as **PDF file** through the conference website. The Organizing Committee and the GEWISOLA Executive Board decide upon the acceptance of submitted proposals.

#### **Poster contributions**

Proposals for poster contributions should describe the problem, methodology, and results of a research work on max. 2 pages in German or English. Two reviewers will evaluate submitted proposals. The format to be used can be found at the conference website. The papers must be submitted by **May 2, 2016** as **PDF file** through the conference website. Accepted posters must be formatted according to the poster guidelines provided on the conference website. They are present-

ed in separate poster sessions during the conference. A two-page summary of accepted and presented posters is published in the conference proceedings.

#### **Pre-conference activities**

Pre-conference activities may be organized in the morning of September 28, 2016. Such activities comprise workshops, meetings or discussion groups on self-selected topics. Proposals of max. 2 pages in German or English should describe the topic, structure, speakers, and participants. The proposals must be submitted by **February 1, 2016** as **PDF file** through the conference website.

#### Information and conference desk

Further information regarding the Annual Conference and on submissions of contributions can be found on the conference homepage (www.gewisola2016.unibonn.de). You may also contact the organizing committee:

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