Dear Fellow Precision Agriculturist,

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION OPEN

With exactly a year to go to the conference, we are pleased to announce that submission of abstracts is now open and we invite you to submit your abstracts through the conference website. The timetable is as follows; submit by 12th October, assessed and decision communicated to submitting author by 24th October. Full papers are then required by 9th December and Poster summaries by 1st May 2017.

To submit an abstract, please pre-register (or login, if you have already pre-registered) at www.ECPA2017.com. Please then go to ‘Profile’ and complete/submit your abstract. The easiest way to complete the webform is to ‘cut and paste’ from MS Word or equivalent once you are happy with your abstract wording and checked your word/character count.

We would invite abstracts to have the following format;

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Once your abstract is allocated to the ECPA 2017 event, please do not edit your abstract unless advised to do so.

You can add further abstracts for consideration, using the same process outlined above.

You may only submit an abstract via the ECPA2017 website after pre-registering and you will receive a confirmation of abstract submission. Further details are provided on the conference website. Any problems please email info@ecpa2017.com.

As noted in our first newsletter, the conference would encourage papers or abstracts on all aspects of precision agriculture related to any cropping system, from soil and crop sensing, to data management, information systems and spatial decision support systems. Abstracts related to educational activities and outcomes in precision agriculture are also strongly encouraged. In addition, we would like to invite contributions in two new areas, precision forage production and, on this 20th anniversary, we would encourage contributions that address success in translational activities over the past two decades – where have we made an impact?

We are also pleased to invite commercial companies and other organisations to let us know if they are interested in exhibition, sponsorship and demonstration.

Please pass this email/newsletter to your contacts and colleagues and visit our website to pre-register interest and receive forthcoming updates. If you wish to unsubscribe from this newsletter, please email: info@ecpa2017.com

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