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EAAE CONGRESS INFORMATION

Don't miss the XVIII Congress of the EAAE - Food System Transformation in Challenging Times!

Join us from 26th to 29th August 2025 in the beautiful city of Bonn, home to the United Nations, for an inspiring dialogue shaping the future of food systems. We look forward to welcoming you to Bonn for what promises to be an extraordinary event!

Website; LinkedIn

Note that there are stipends available specifically for young researchers, see: https://www.ilr1.uni-bonn.de/eaaecongress2025/en/registration#stipends.



EAAE 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Call for pictures or material illustrating our history!

EAAE will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2025! We will do this with a special session on Friday, 29th of August at the occasion of 19th congress of EAAE in Bonn that will take place from August 26th to 29th 2025. The special session will both be about looking back as looking forward with testimonials and panel discussions on how it started, how EAAE contributed to some major evolutions in agriculture, and which role agricultural economists can play in the future. The session will be followed by a special anniversary diner during which we want to pay tribute to those who have shaped our association.

In order to illustrate and document these past 50 years, we ask everybody who still has pictures, documents or other relevant historic material on congresses, seminars or other past events of EAAE to drop them at the following dropbox "EAAE 50th anniversary photo upload". Short videos with interviews of former members who speak about former events are also welcome here.

Please indicate very clearly the year, name and place of the event so that we can trace it back. Please extend this invitation also to former organizers of events who are maybe not receiving this newsflash!

50 years EAAE: Early Career Spotlight Contest

Besides evocating the past, we also want to look into the future. Therefore the EAAE, in collaboration with AgEconMeet, is launching a video contest for early career EAAE members (maximum 6 years after obtaining your PhD). Record a video explaining the importance of your research for science and society in the years to come, and you might end up presenting your work plenary in Bonn during a special plenary ceremonial session. In addition, one final winner will be selected and awarded in that session by the Congress audience. For further details, see the contest document on the EAAE website. You can upload your video before June 1st using in this Dropbox link: "EAAE Video contest upload". We hope to receive many creative videos!

CALL FOR NOMINATING EAAE FELLOWS

The EAAE is now seeking nominations for the Fellow Awards for the 2024-2025 biannual period. Nominations must be received by the Secretary-General of the Association (secretariat@eaae.org) by the May 31st, 2025.

The Fellow Awards program of the European Association of Agricultural Economists recognizes professional excellence in agricultural economics.

The main criterion for selection is a *relevant* and *continuous* contribution to the advancement of agricultural economics in Europe. Achievements should be in research, teaching, administration and service to the profession. "*Relevant* and *continuous*" contribution means an exceptional contribution over a period of years, to be demonstrated by a combination of achievements in at least two of the following areas: research discoveries; outstanding teaching record; outstanding performance in administration; outstanding contribution to the profession through service. No current member of the Board, elected or ex-officio, is eligible to receive the Fellow Award. Nominations can be made by one or more individuals, members of the Association. The documentation provided should make clear the impact the individual nominated has made in the areas of achievement to which he or she has contributed to the advancement of the profession in Europe. This evidence could include, but is not limited to, reference to publications, awards, honours, reports and testimonials about deserving tasks undertaken and outcomes achieved, as well as other contributions to the profession. The nomination package will include the name(s) and institution(s) of the nominator(s) and will be limited to a maximum of eight double-spaced pages.

The Fellow Awards are decided by the Board from among the nominees proposed by the Fellows Selection Committee. The Fellows Selection Committee is composed of six Fellows plus the Past-President of the Association.

Recipients of Fellow Awards for 2024-2025 will be presented in a special session at the next Congress of the Association in Bonn (August 26-29, 2025).

Currently our Association has 22 Fellows. They are, in alphabetical order: Luis-Miguel Albisu, Giuseppe Barbero, Jean-Christophe Bureau, Alison Burrell†, Michele de Benedictis†, Csaba Csaki, Sofia Davidova, Thomas Doucha, Tassos Haniotis, Ulrich Koester, Louis Mahé, Steve Mc Corriston, Arie Oskam, Quirino Paris†, Michel Petit, Krijn Poppe, Eugenia Serova, Johan Swinnen, Stefan Tangermann, Guido Van Huylenbroeck, Jerzy Wilkin†, Vinus Zachariasse†

José M. Gil EAAE President

EAAE Scholar/Reading Circles

The EAAE is committed to **boost interdisciplinary exchanges**, **stipulate continuous learning processes**, and **facilitate sharing knowledge** for its members as well as to connect early career

and senior members to build strong scientific networks. Thus, the EAAE's Early Career Researchers (EAAE-ECR) committee decided to create **Scholar/Reading Circles** where members can meet regularly to keep up with literature or learn new methods and skills. The aim of these Scholar/Reading groups is to create a community of knowledge exchange that spreads across nations, generations and sub-disciplines of agricultural economics.

The EAAE-ECR is starting a pilot Scholar/Reading Circle on the topic of Resilience in Agriculture and Agro-food chains. This circle will be led by Professor Donato Romano, who recently gave a EAAE webinar on the topic, with the help of Antje Risius and Diogo Souza Monteiro. We aim to recruit up to 12 members from different career stages and countries. The first meeting will be held after Easter and in each meeting we will read and discuss seminal articles/book chapters on the topic.

If you are interested to join the first Scholar/Reading Circle, please fill this <u>FORM</u> by April 11th. Looking forward to hear from you.

Best wishes.

Donato Romano, Antje Risius and Diogo Souza Monteiro

EAAE Mentoring Program Call for 2025

The EAAE is committed to contribute to the career development and success of all its members, particularly early career agricultural economists. Therefore, the EAAE Board decided to establish a Mentoring Program in 2022 matching more established and senior members of the Association with early career members. The primary goal is to help younger members to acquire critical skills to help them achieve their career goals. A secondary goal is to cultivate a spirit of collaboration and cooperation between different generations of EAAE members.

The EAAE is now launching its Mentoring Program for 2025/2026, offering an opportunity for up to 20 early career EAAE members to participate. By early career, we mean those that have graduated with PhD in the last 5 years and have research or teaching posts in Universities, public or private research or R&D departments in industry. Each participant will be matched, based on their areas of common interest, needs and psychometric profile. Examples of goals the mentees may want to develop, include, but are not limited to, areas such as: crafting research papers, grant writing, leadership, networking, project management, teaching, work-life balance and job market readiness.

This is a yearlong program and will start during the 18th EAAE Congress, to be held in Bonn, Germany, between the 26th and 29th of August 2025.

Mentors and mentees are expected to meet regularly (at least on a monthly basis), virtually and potentially in-person. The mentee and the mentor are encouraged to identify a set of goals to guide the discussions throughout the year. The goals should correspond to skills the mentee has identified and aims to improve upon. The goals can be ambitious but need to be realistic. Moreover, one-on-one meetings will be supplemented by a series of EAAE Webinars where topics of joint interests for young researchers will be presented and discussed (e.g. writing in plain English, how to publish good quality papers, etc.).

The EAAE has an Early Career Researchers Committee providing guidance throughout the program to ensure that both mentors and mentees benefit from this program. If you are interested in participating as a mentor or mentee, please complete the following registration form so the Early Career Researchers Committee will match mentors and mentees based on the criteria in the registration form. The registration takes about 5 minutes to complete.

Important Deadlines

Submission of the registration:

Decision by the EAAE Early Career Researchers Committee:

EAAE training for Mentors and Mentees:

30 April 2025
31 May 2025
June 2025 (TBD)

Official Program Launch: 26 August – 29 August 2025

Link to Mentor Registration (closes on 30 April 2025):

https://corvinus.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cGR3MxICdDz5Iy2

Link to Mentee Registration (closes on 30 April 2025):

https://corvinus.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6WQfaCqeuUAEqyO

EAAE WEBINARS, SEMINARS, AND WORKSHOPS

EAAE webinars New, save the dates!!

1. Masterclass by Koos Gardebroek (Wageningen University)

Topic: "Machine Learning and Econometrics"

Date: Thursday, 17 April Time: 11:00 – 12:00

2. Masterclass by Robert Finger (ETH Zurich), Pablo Morales Moya communication manager at the communication company Sustainable Innovation, and Katalin Balazs, currently working with different Wageningen-led Horizon consortiums as a communication specialist.

Topic: "The relevance and essence of Communication"

Date: Thursday, 22 May Time: 11:00 – 12:00

Registration

All EAAE members will receive an email with extra information and a link to the webinar 1-2 weeks before each session. So, no registration is needed.

We look forward to your participation and to what promises to be a very informative and engaging series.

Past EAAE webinars

The presentations of the past webinars and seminars are made available on the website.

192th EAAE Seminar 'System Dynamics and Innovation in Food Networks' ("Igls-Forum"), 9-13 February 2026

Deadline for registration is December 12, 2025. Acceptance of registration is due to prior acceptance of a paper or the assignment of roles as chair persons or discussants by the organizers upon pre-registration by October 10, 2025. Submission of presentation proposals is through the provision of an abstract of not more than 500 words in English by October 10, 2025 as email to fooddynamics@uni-bonn.de Submission of presentation proposals counts as pre-registration. Authors will be notified by October 31, 2025

The seminar will be held in Garmisch-Partenkirchen. The official conference hotel is the "Bio-hotel Garmischer Hof" which is close to the conference venue. Garmisch-Partenkirchen can easily be reached by train from Munich, Innsbruck or the respective airports. For more information, visit: http://www.fooddynamics.org/

Obituary Professor Maurizio Canavari



Professor Maurizio Canavari, a distinguished agricultural economist, passed away on January 1, 2025, at the age of 60. Born on July 12, 1964, in Ancona, Italy, he pursued a remarkable academic career that significantly advanced the field of agricultural economics not only in Italy but beyond.

Maurizio graduated in Agricultural Sciences from the University of Bologna in 1990 and earned his Ph.D. in Appraisal and Land Economics from the University of Padua in 1997. He began his academic career at the University of Bologna in 1998 as a researcher, became an Associate Professor in 2005, and was appointed Full Professor in 2021.

His research focused on agri-food economics, food marketing and marketing research, with specific topics regarding consumer behaviour, innovation adoption, and value chain management. He authored over 170 journal papers, contributing extensively to the understanding of consumer preferences and supply chain relationships in the agri-food sector.

Maurizio was an active member of several professional associations, including the International Association of Agricultural Economists (IAAE), the European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE), the Italian Society of Agricultural Economics (SIDEA), and the Italian Society of Agri-food Economics (SIEA). He also served as president of the Association of Graduates in Agricultural, Food, and Environmental Sciences of Bologna.

Beyond his academic achievements, Maurizio was deeply committed to student mentorship. He dedicated much of his career to advising students, guiding them through complex research projects and fostering their professional growth. In 2008 and 2009 he organised the first cycle of the International Summer School in Choice Modelling in Europe. He also organized the annual international summer course in "Experimental Auctions: Theory and Applications in Food Marketing and Consumer Preferences Analysis" and was instrumental in educating many early career professionals about the subject.

Maurizio was a man of passion, generosity, and unwavering dedication, driven by a deep desire to make a difference. His enthusiasm and zest for life touched many lives, leaving a lasting impact on those around him.

Maurizio's passing is a significant loss to the agricultural economics community. His legacy as a dedicated mentor and scholar will be remembered by all who had the privilege of working with him.

Daniele Asioli, Claudia Bazzani, Vincenzina Caputo, Alessandra Castellini, Marija Cerjak, Andreas Drichoutis, Jayson Lusk, Giulia Maesano, Rudy Nayga, Sergio Rivaroli, Giovanna Sacchi, Riccardo Scarpa, Roberta Spadoni, Mara Thiene

NON-EAAE EVENT

Summer school

2025 LAMASUS / BrightSpace Summer School: Advanced modelling techniques for land-use and

policy analysis

Event link: https://brightspace-project.eu/summer-school-2025-advanced-modelling-techniques-

for-land-use-and-policy-analysis/

Start date: 2-6-2025 End date: 6-6-2025

Location: Laxenburg, Austria

International workshop survey design & Experimental methods

The workshop International Workshop on "Survey Design & Experimental Methods in Applied and Agricultural Economics" will cover theoretical and practical knowledge regarding surveys and experimental methods. In addition, delegates will be familiarized with state-of-the-art software and will design their own practice experiment through hands-on training.

Instructors include Vincenzina Caputo (Michigan State University), Carola Grebitus (Arizona State University), David Just (Cornell University), Jayson L. Lusk (Purdue University), Rudy Nayga (Texas A&M), and Matthew Rousu (Susquehanna University).

The workshop will take place from *May 26 to May 30, 2025, at Michigan State University*. It is open to academics (students, professors, individuals employed by colleges and universities, and other institutions of higher education) and non-academics (consultants and other practitioners from the private sector or national and international organizations). Seats are limited, and registration is based on a first come, first served basis.

For more information about registration click here.

For more information about scholarships click here.

Please do not hesitate to contact us (<u>vcaputo@msu.edu</u> & <u>carola.grebitus@asu.edu</u>) if you have any questions or need additional information!

Vincenzina Caputo Carola Grebitus

ERAE information

Review articles

In addition to research articles, the journal also publishes review articles. Review articles should provide a comprehensive and scholarly account of a topic that has direct relevance to agricultural economics (methodological or applied) and that has not recently been covered in the literature. Normally these are authored by individuals who have themselves made a significant contribution to the topic under review and/or are acknowledged authorities in the field. A pre-submission enquiry to is required for review articles. An abstract, outline and key references should be emailed to erae.editorialoffice@theeditorialhub.com. Review article submissions undergo the normal review process.

Vacancies

PhD position

At: University of Bonn, Germany. Closing date 31 March 2025.

Editor of the European Review of Agricultural Economics

At: ERAE. Closing date 1 May 2025

PhD position

At: Technical University Munich, Germany. Closing date 31 May 2025

EAAE Members information

Change to two-year membership period.

The EAAE Board decided in its November meeting to establish a two-year membership period. On 1 January 2025 we started with the new structure, the membership fee will be €100 for two years, compared to the earlier €150 for three years. This change aims to align the membership period with the newly adopted two-year conference cycle.

In case you wish to renew your membership, please feel welcome to do so via the website.

Other

EAAE members can access their registration card through the EAAE login on the homepage of the EAAE using their email address and personal password. You can login <u>here.</u> If you forget your password, you can retrieve or modify it. Upon login, you will also find the link for free access of Euro *Choices* online!

As a member, you can post <u>vacancies</u> and <u>non-EAAE events</u> on our website. Simply <u>login</u>, go to 'Post events (congress, seminars, courses, PhD activities) and Jobs', select 'New', and your information will be visible on the website after the approval of the secretariat.