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Rob Ackrill new Editor-in-Chief of EuroChoices

The Agricultural Economics Society and the European Association of Agricultural Economists are delighted to announce the appointment of Professor Rob Ackrill as the new Editor-in-Chief of EuroChoices. He will take up the role in July 2026, succeeding Professor John Davis.

Rob will lead EuroChoices into an exciting new phase, building on the journal's strong reputation for accessible, policy-relevant scholarship at the interface between research and practice. He is particularly committed to strengthening the journal's role in connecting academic insight with policy debates, and to further developing the distinctive writing styles that make EuroChoices engaging and influential across diverse audiences.

Rob brings extensive expertise in EU, agricultural, and rural policy, alongside a long-standing relationship with EuroChoices and a clear vision for its future direction. He is Professor Emeritus in Economics and Policy at Nottingham Business School, Nottingham Trent University.

Contact: robert.ackrill@ntu.ac.uk | eurochoices@aes.ac.uk (from July 2026)

Q Open receives impact factor

We are proud to announce that Q Open has now officially been accepted into the Web of Science! The journal will receive its first Impact Factor in 2026. Our congratulations go to the editorial team led by Iain Fraser for their efforts that have led to this important milestone.

EAAE CONGRESS, WEBINARS, SEMINARS, AND WORKSHOPS

Call Reading Circles **New initiative!**

The European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE) is pleased to announce the launch of its *Reading Circles* initiative, coordinated by the EAAE Early Career Researchers (ECR) Committee.

Reading Circles are small groups of 8–12 EAAE members who meet regularly throughout the academic year to discuss a selected book, a set of journal articles, or a methodological topic. They bring together members with expertise on the subject and those who wish to learn more, fostering knowledge exchange, interdisciplinary dialogue, and professional development across generations of agricultural economists. The registration deadline is **31 March 2026**.

How to Apply

If you are interested in joining a Reading Circle, please fill in the relevant registration form:

- **For Circle Proponents/Leaders:**
https://corvinus.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1MGpBx20dLn7zyS
- **For Circle Participants:** https://corvinus.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cGQIznJhObGjI10

You can find more details in the file attached.

EAAE PhD Workshop

The 11th EAAE PhD Workshop will take place at the University of Évora, Portugal, from 17–19 June 2026. You can find more details on the website: <https://eaae2026.uevora.pt/>

194th EAAE Seminar ‘Matching Agri-Food Systems and Ecosystems via AI: Aligning Digital Innovation with Sustainability and Policy Goals’

The seminar is organized by the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (CIHEAM MAI.Chania) and the EAAE and will be held 10-11 September 2026 at the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania, CIHEAM MAI.Chania in Chania, Crete, Greece. You can find more details on the website: <http://194eaae.maich.gr/en/>

19th EAAE CONGRESS 2027, ŠIBENIK, CROATIA, 31-8 / 3-9-2027

Organised by the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Zagreb

Past EAAE webinars

The presentations of the past webinars and seminars can be found on the [website](#) under **Documents**.

POSTERS OF PAST CONGRESSES

At the congress in Bonn, posters from previous congresses were displayed on a screen. For those who missed them, please visit:

<https://cloud.thuenen.de/index.php/s/9ZHsAAZZagwxPcR>

and use the following password: EAAE_50_Poster

Reduced membership fee of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE)

The EAAE has signed a Memorandum of Understandings with the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE). Part of the Memorandum is that the EAAE and EAERE agree to grant members a secondary individual membership with a 50% discount on the full price for members of the other Association. The EAERE has both annual and triannual membership periods. For registration and more information please visit the EAERE’s website (<https://www.eaere.org/>).

NON-EAAE EVENTS

EAERE

The [European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists \(EAERE\)](#) is an international scientific association whose mission is to promote scientific excellence in the field of environmental, climate and resource economics in Europe, to contribute towards bridging the gaps between science, policy and higher education, and to foster cooperation across universities and research institutions in Europe.

The EAERE launched few years ago a [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiative](#) and established a dedicated Executive Committee in charge of organising thematic workshops, policy sessions, networking events, mentoring schemes. One of these initiatives is the EAERE DEI workshop on the topic of “**Traversing Interactions among Food Production, Bioenergy, and Social Equity**” to be held at University of Ferrara (Italy) on April 13, 2026. Please find more information [here](#).

Agricultural Economics Society

The **100th Annual Conference of The Agricultural Economics Society** will be held at Wadham College, The University of Oxford, UK, 23rd – 25th March 2026, the venue where the first AES meeting was held in 1926. For more information, please visit the AES’s website: <https://aes.ac.uk>

Executive Course on the Vision for Agriculture and Food, 20-24 April 2026

The reform of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) for 2028–2034 and the Vision for Agriculture and Food (EC, 2025) come at a moment of transition for European agriculture, the [Florence School of Regulation](#) at the [European University Institute](#) is offering the Executive Course on the Vision for Agriculture and Food.

The course covers, among other topics:

- The Vision for Agriculture and Food (EC, 2025): Attractiveness, Competitiveness, Future-proofing, and Connection.
- CAP 2028–2034 reform proposal: DABIS, degressivity and capping, and partnership plans
- Domestic and international competitiveness; strategic dependencies and derisking; sustainable trade policies.

Through expert insights and interactive sessions, participants gain practical tools to navigate the policy framework and key challenges in competitiveness, resilience, and sustainability.

Course details and registration: <https://fsr.eui.eu/course/executive-course-on-the-vision-of-agriculture-and-food/>

International Summer School “Experimental Auctions for Agricultural and Applied Economics: Theory and Applications,” Verona, from June 15 to June 19, 2026.

Please find more information in the file attached and on:

<https://sites.google.com/view/experimentalauctions2026/home>

GEWISOLA

The 65th annual conference of the Society for Economic and Social Sciences of Agriculture (GEWISOLA) will take place from Wednesday, 23 September to Friday, 25 September 2026 at the Thünen Institute in Braunschweig. The conference theme is: Agriculture and rural areas:

Challenges in a local, regional and global context. Please see the file attached for more information.

Other

The university of Bonn developed an IT-tool for selecting suitable forecasting models (out of 40) based on certain criteria (about 50). In case you are interested please use the following link to the beta version of the tool <https://www.eco-tool.eu>

EAAE Journals

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ERAЕ 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 Geneva, Switzerland . Closing date 28 February 2026

For more information please contact prof. Salvatore Di Falco Salvatore.DiFalco@unige.ch

[Post-Doctoral Researcher](#)

At : University of Goettingen, Germany. Closing date 28 February 2026

[Assistant Professor](#)

At : Wageningen University & Research, The Netherlands. Closing date 3 March 2026

EAAE Members information

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 [here](#). If you forget your password, you can retrieve or modify it. Upon login, you will also find the link for free access of EuroChoices online!

As a member, you can post [vacancies](#) and [non-EAAE events](#) on our website. Simply [login](#), 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.

