## 17TH INTERNATIONAL FARM MANAGEMENT CONGRESS

"Agriculture: Food, Fiber and Energy for the Future"

Sun. 19<sup>TH</sup>-Fri. 24<sup>TH</sup> July 2009, Bloomington/Normal, ILLINOIS, USA.

\*\*JUST 1 WEEK LEFT TO THE CONGRESS REGISTRATION DEADLINE - FRIDAY 19TH OF JUNE\*\*

This is your final call to attend the 17<sup>th</sup> International Farm Management Congress.

You have just **one week** to register and book your accommodation for the congress. After **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June** the hotels will release all their "blocked bedrooms" for the congress and so accommodation at the hotels can not be guaranteed. Also the organisers will set the availability of Farm Tours – so late comers will have to hope there are spaces, and preferences will not be able to be taken into account. (The organisers have indicated that they will accept late registration until 1<sup>st</sup> July – but no guarantees.)

If you are planning to attend or are still trying to make your mind up – now is the time to decide and register! There is still room on the Pre Congress Tour of southern Illinois with some really interesting visits in the week and room on the Accompanying Persons Program during the congress – and there is plenty of room for more Full or Short Program Delegates. We have a really interesting group of delegates from around the world already registered for the congress – so as they say "miss it and weep" as this is your golden opportunity to visit the heartland of US agriculture, and we have a superb line-up of speakers and contributed papers for you.

All the information for the congress is here - <u>www.ifma17.org</u>, including the links to hotels and their information on the <u>LODGINGS</u> page.

**To register**, first decide on your <u>Day Tours</u> and then <u>CLICK HERE</u>\* to go direct to online registration and payment - or to download the registration form for bank / wire transfer. (\*Illinois State University webpage for congress registration = http://www.peopleware.net/index.cfm?siteId=234&eventDisp=110IFMA17)

For those of you coming from countries with **US Visa Waiver** – don't forget to complete you **ESTA** registration – you can click <u>HERE</u> to do this – a short and free process that is now required ahead of flying (but you still need to complete the green form prior to entering the US). http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/travel/id\_visa/esta/

The organisers (ISPFMRA and ASFMRA), IFMA Council, Illinois State University and Bloomington / Normal look forward to welcoming all IFMA Members who can attend – you are assured of a very warm welcome (and not just from the weather!).

Best Regards, Tony.

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