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Those of you who "expressed your interest" on the IFMA19 Congress website should have received an e-mail last week announcing that Registration for the congress is now "open" from the Registration Page.

More importantly the IFMA19 website has now been updated to include **all the Fees for the Congress** including those for the Accompanying Person Programme and the Pre and Post Congress Tours.

Also you will find the **Field Trip Options** for the Tuesday and Thursday of the Congress – 8 different themed Field Trip options available on both days.

The **Accommodation** Page has also been updated with the accommodation options – from student accommodation at the University (good by most standards), the basic University 'Hotel', to a range of 3* to 5* hotels in Warsaw. Again price ranges are shown, these are all at special rates for delegates, and can only be accessed via the Registration software.

Those intending to **submit a paper** should note that the final date for submission has been extended to the **28th February 2013** (complete papers only). You should also note that you will need to follow the Registration Process first to open an "account" before you can submit a paper. You do not have to pay for the registration before submitting your paper(s), this can be done later once the paper has been accepted, and up till the 30th April.

The draft program of **plenary sessions** PDF on the Program page now shows most of the speakers who have agreed to speak at the congress – a truly international group of top level speakers.

Those interested in the **Pre & Post Congress tours** will see that these have been updated with more information, and the prices are shown. Note that the night before the Pre Trip and the night at the end of post trip are included in the package – and both tours are inclusive of all visits and meals except for one "free" evening on each 8 day tour. (Very good value)

The Organisers of IFMA19 are using an outsourced provider for the registration software – **Mazurkas** Conference Registration – so when you click the **Registration** button you will transfer to their website. They use a registration software called "Coffee" - don't get confused you are not ordering coffees for the congress!! This software allows you to do everything for your registration, including adding accompanying persons, booking your field trips, pre and post congress tours etc. and also allows you to reserve your room at the accommodation of your choice. Once you have completed the initial registration you can move on to submitting papers. The brilliant, and important, thing to understand, is that you can re log-in to your "account" at any time to update or change the information, and also to submit a

paper. You have a choice of payment method – either via credit card or via a Proforma Invoice for bank transfer. One other complication is that VAT (sales tax) is involved with the Congress Fees, and is payable, or not, depending on your organisation's or your personal tax status.

Although the Registration System is now working, there are still some minor bits to be tweaked, and with the wide range of options available, it is not necessarily the simplest of systems. I will produce a "IFMA19 Registration Guide" Newsletter in mid-January to assist those who would like a bit more advice and information on the congress, and how the registration system works, including the VAT sales tax.

Just a reminder that you will need to become a paid-up member of IFMA to attend the congress – this can be done during the registration process.

Now that all the necessary information is available you can start to plan your attendance at our 19th IFMA Congress – and to **spread the word amongst your friends and colleagues!**

IJAM – The Next Edition of the Journal - Volume 2, Number 1, is now available at IngentaConnect

The new International Journal of Agricultural Management has now completed a successful first year with 4 excellent editions. Now the first Edition of the second year is available.

This Edition's contents are:

Christopher Pollock: "Repairing a fractured pipeline: improving the effectiveness of agricultural R & D in the UK"

Catherine L. Gerrard, Susanne Padel and Simon Moakes: "The use of Farm Business Survey data to compare the environmental performance of organic and conventional farms"

S H Pushpa Malkanthi, Jayant K. Routray: "Visitor satisfaction in agritourism and its implications for the agritourism farmers in Sri Lanka"

Alan Renwick, Md. Mofakkarul Islam and Steven Thomson: "Power in Global Agriculture: Economics, Politics, and Natural Resources"

Xiangdong Hu and Yelto Zimmer: "Farm economics behind the evolution of Chinese rapeseed production"

Peter Howley; James Breen; Cathal O Donoghue; Thia Hennessy: "Does the single farm payment affect farmers' behaviour? A macro and micro analysis"

Paul Wilson – Book Review of: "Keeping it in the Family: International Perspectives on Succession and Retirement on Family Farms", by Matt Lobley, John R. Baker, and Ian Whitehead

If you are planning to **submit a paper to the Journal** – please visit http://www.ijagman.org/ where you will find all the information you need.

Also – as promised when launching the new Journal - Non-members of IFMA can now view the first two Editions of IJAM as these have now been released as Free Content. As each Edition reaches the end of its 1 year reserve for Members only they will become Free Content for all who wish to access them. This could be of interest to your colleagues or friends who have not yet joined IFMA. The first 2 editions are available here

http://www.ingentaconnect.com/content/iagrm/ijam/2011/00000001/00000001

Finally - we are coming to the end of another year -

Best Wishes to you and your family for however you celebrate this season, and also for the New Year and 2013.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as can make it to the Congress in July. Best Regards,

Tony.

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