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# IFMA21 – Congress Updates

**The 21<sup>st</sup> IFMA Congress** seems a long while ago now. Attendance at the congress was higher than usual with some 340 delegates plus 68 Accompanying Persons coming from 21 countries.

Thank you to those (106) delegates who completed the congress survey carried out by SRUC's Cath Milne. It seems once again that pretty well everyone's expectations were well met – and for many greatly exceeded. The feedback on the congress was virtually all positive – with many good ideas on how the congresses in future can be improved (although there were some conflicting ideas put forward as usual). The 'general' comments about the congress were full of praise for the organisers, the content, the field trips as well as the social events.

**The Pre Post Congress Tours** had 66 and 42 participants respectively. The participant surveys showed that they were well planned, very informative, that the tour leaders (all IFMA Members) had done an excellent job (over 90% rating!) with the only negative being that the tours had been rather overwhelming in terms of the number of visits and content. A great deal of thanks need to go to the coach leaders Malcolm Stansfield, John Wibberley (a brilliant last minute stand in for John Alliston), Richard Cooksley and Trevor Atkinson for the 2 coach Pre Congress Tour, and to Ian Edwards (supported by SRUC members and the innumerable farmers and estate managers that Ian knew personally) for the Post Congress tour of Scotland.

I hope to publish the survey reports on ifmaonline.org soon.

# International Journal of Agricultural Management (IJAM)

A new edition of the Journal has recently been published – Vol.6 No.2. I have attached the Table of Contents for your information. These include an appreciation of the late John Alliston, referred papers from Norway, Nepal and the Ukraine, and a case study on peer recognition in the UK. All interesting reads. Non-members will not be able to access this edition of IJAM – but editions pre one year ago are available to view – use the link below to access the Journal.

## **Miscellaneous Announcements:**

Our Friends at Farm Management Canada (FMC) will be hosting their annual Agricultural Excellence Conference (AgEx)

To be held in Ottawa, Ontario November 21-23, 2017. The Theme is **"Farming for our Future:** Canada's 150<sup>th</sup>"

Go <u>HERE</u> to see the interesting line-up of speakers and topics.

# **Opportunity to Farm in the Ukraine**

I have been asked to mention a farm management post in the Ukraine as follows:

"As mentioned I work for De Lacy Executive, a UK and global agri-business recruitment consultancy company. I am currently seeking an Arable Farm Manager to be based in the Ukraine, please link to our website below which has further details of the role."

https://www.delacyexecutive.co.uk/I062-senior-arable-farm-manager-eastern-europe

If you are interested please either complete the application form available on the website – or contact Laura Edwards at <u>lauraedwards@delacyexecutive.co.uk</u> or Direct Dial +44 (0)1885 485 529 IFMA takes no responsibility for and has no connection with De Lacy Executive.

## **Retiring Hon. Secretary**

As you may know, I am retiring from the position of IFMA Hon. Secretary/Treasurer after 14 years - and the plan is to hand over to Richard Cooksley and his team in the next few months. I said I would complete the duties that follow a congress and so when they are done we will let you know when the hand over is complete.

My Best Regards, Tony.

Tony King Retiring Hon. Secretary / Treasurer

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> 2019 - March 3rd to 8<sup>th</sup> | Launceston, Tasmania, Australia. For More Information Visit: <u>www.ifma22.org</u>

