



CALL FOR PAPERS
18th INTERNATIONAL FARM MANAGEMENT CONGRESS

20TH – 25TH MARCH 2011

The 18th International Farm Management Congress is to be held in Christchurch New Zealand.

The IFMA is an international body of about 400 members primarily academics, consultants, advisors, farmers, government, administrators and policy analysts. The common thread running through the membership is an interest in farm management.

The IFMA has held Congresses in many countries starting with Warwick in the UK in 1971. Although a Congress is held in a particular country, the purpose of the Congress is to bring people together from around the world to discuss and debate issues, to share experiences and to learn from each other. The Congress is not just about New Zealand! The IFMA has its own website (www.ifmaonline.org) as does the Local Organising Committee for the 18th Congress (www.ifma18.org)

This document sets out the process to follow for those interested in submitting a paper for the 18th Congress. The theme is **“Thriving in a global world - Innovation, Co-operation & Leadership”**

As is usual in Congresses there are a number of sub themes being:

1. The environment
2. Education & training
3. Farm management
4. Business & finance
5. Marketing & Trade
6. Innovation & Leadership

The Congress is looking for papers around the theme and that fall into one of the subthemes.

The Congress offers the opportunity to present peer reviewed papers and non peer reviewed papers.

Peer reviewed papers are those that must be approved by a Scientific Committee before being included in the Proceedings. Non peer reviewed papers are not reviewed. This paper type is designed to encourage farmers, consultants and others who want to present a paper but who do not want to go through the refereeing process.

In the proceedings, refereed papers are distinguished from non refereed papers and this distinction is made at the Congress so that attendees know whether they are attending a presentation about a paper that is refereed or non-refereed.

It should be stressed that the Congress Organisers are very keen to encourage “applied” or “practical” papers (i.e. not refereed) as these are a major focus of the Congress. Interestingly some academics have in past years chosen to submit papers in the non refereed category.

There is also the opportunity to submit a poster.

CONGRESS REGISTRATION

A requirement for contributed papers (refereed & non refereed) and people who submit posters is that at least **ONE AUTHOR MUST REGISTER AS A FULL DELEGATE** for the Congress. Papers will not be included in the Proceedings where no author has paid the full Congress Registration fee. The last date for payment of the Congress Registration Fee is the end of the Early Bird Period. If an author has not registered by that date, a paper will not be included in the Congress Proceedings

DATES

Final Date for Submission of all papers **30 September 2010**

Final Date for notification of acceptance all papers **30 November 2010**

Final Date by which authors must have registered for papers to be included in the Congress Proceedings **31 December 2010**

The next section sets out the specifications for all contributed papers (peer reviewed and non peer reviewed) and posters.

All papers and posters are to be sent to Kate Saxton at k.r.saxton@massey.ac.nz