SECOND CALL FOR PAPERS

The 2018 Annual Conference of the Agricultural Economics Association of South Africa (AEASA) will be hosted at the Lord Charles Hotel, Somerset-West, Western Cape from 25 - 27 September 2018. The conference programme contains a mix of invited panel sessions (parallel sessions), plenary sessions and contributed oral and visual presentations. The theme of this year’s conference is “Practising agricultural economics in an uncertain neighbourhood”. The conference will be officially opened by Minister Alan Winde, Western Cape Minister of Economic Opportunities, followed by the AEASA presidential address. The Simon Brand Memorial Address will be delivered by Dr Karen Brooks, Director of the CGIAR research program on Policies, Institutions and Markets, at the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI). Plenary sessions will focus on the role of agricultural economists in the respective spheres of agribusiness, agricultural industries, policy making and government.

The purpose of this Second Call is to inform members that the conference website is now open for submission of Contributed Papers and proposals for Organised Sessions for presentation at the conference. Comprehensive paper and proposal submission guidelines are available on the conference website. Kindly note that all submissions should be done electronically via the conference website. (https://centeqevents.wixsite.com/aeasa2018). The conference website can also be accessed via the ‘Conference 2018’ tab on AEASA’s website (www.aeasa.org.za).

Contributed papers (oral and visual):

There will be a single submission and reviewing system for all Contributed Papers, whether for Oral or Visual presentation. Visual presentations will be accommodated in an electronic format rather than the traditional poster sessions. This will make it easier to present, it will allow more presentations, and it will obviate the need to carry a poster to the Conference!

Contributed papers will be selected for oral and visual presentation at the Conference based on the results of a blind review process. Authors that submit papers will be requested to act as reviewers for other submitted papers. The Paper Review Committee will decide whether a paper goes into the oral or the visual stream.

The Contributed Paper sessions require submission of a full paper and all papers must be submitted by 15 June 2018.

Organised sessions:

Proposals for Organised Sessions will be considered at the same time as Contributed Papers. Space on the program for these sessions is limited, and the organisers expect to invite no more than 10 of these sessions. All proposals must be submitted by 6 July 2018 through the conference submission website.

Organisers of such sessions will need to submit details on participants and a brief description of the proposed session. Proposals may include presentations that explore different, complementary aspects of a particular topic. Proposals that involve discussants with different points of view will be of particular interest, as are proposals that involve serious analysis of new, exciting and important topics.

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