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Call for Papers

53rd GEWISOLA Annual Conference, September 25-27, 2013 Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Faculty of Agriculture and Horticulture

The 53rd Annual Conference of the German Society of Economic and Social Sciences in Agriculture (GEWISOLA) will take place at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany, from **September 25-27**, **2013**. The topic of the conference is:

"How much market and how much regulation does sustainable agricultural development need?"

With regard to this topic, the Organizing Committee invites contributed papers to be presented at the conference. We also invite poster contributions which will be displayed during the conference. We expect contributions from the economic and social sciences of agriculture as well as from related disciplines.

In addition, contributed papers or posters may address topics beyond the conference topic which contribute to the state of knowledge in the economic and social sciences of agriculture. Theory oriented work and empirical analysis based on quantitative and qualitative methods are equally welcome.

The Annual Conference will also allow for self-organized sessions in which topical policy questions related to the general conference topic will be discussed. The Organizing Committee invites proposals for such self-organized sessions.

Deadlines

- Submission of proposals for self-organized sessions / pre-conference activities: Monday, February 4, 2013
- Acceptance notification for self-organized sessions / pre-conference activities: Monday, March 4, 2013

- Submission of contributed papers: Monday, March 4, 2013
- Submission of poster outlines: Monday, **May 6, 2013**
- Acceptance notification for contributed papers: Friday, **June 21, 2013**
- Acceptance notification for posters: Friday, July 12, 2013
- Submission of revised papers for publication on the conference homepage and on AgEconSearch: Wednesday, August 28, 2013
- Submission of final contributed papers and of poster summaries for publication in the conference proceedings: Monday, November 18, 2013

Conference Topic

Agricultural policy-making between market and regulation has continuously raised debates. In European agriculture policy, deregulation and liberalization have gained particular importance in recent decades, but certainly environmental and resource protection and the provision of public goods, in general, require appropriate policy frameworks and interventions. Today, the call for more regulation increases: the financial crisis and volatile agricultural and commodity markets undermine the trust in markets; BSE, EHEC and GMO upset consumers; and climate protection and renewable energy use cannot be improved without policy intervention.

Against this background the coordination mechanisms for sustainable agricultural development shall be addressed on the GEWISOLA Annual Conference. When does market and competition lead to better results for agriculture and society, when is public regulation required, and what is the proper balance between market and regulation for specific policy fields?

Such questions will be discussed on the conference for important policy fields. Relevant topics comprise:

- Market and price policy, trade and globalization
- Structural change, structural policy and development of rural areas
- Environmental and resource protection
- Instability and risk management
- Climate protection and energy policy
- New technologies and technology policy
- Consumer protection and food security.

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Contributed Papers and Presentations

The contributed papers must be fully worked out, must not exceed 12 pages and may be written in German or English. The format to be used can be found at the conference homepage: www.gewisola2013.hu-berlin.de. The papers must be submitted by **March 4, 2013** as **PDF file** through the conference homepage.

The papers will be reviewed anonymously by two reviewers. The following criteria are used for evaluation: relevance and originality of the topic, adequate methodological approach, and presentation. Positively evaluated contributions will be presented in thematic sessions on the conference and can be published in the conference proceedings after final revision according to the reviewers' comments.

Self-Organized Sessions

The self-organized sessions will focus on topical policy questions related to the general conference topic. The time frame is 90 minutes. The proposals for such self-organized sessions should comprise up to 4 pages in German or English explaining the topic and the format of the session: concept, timing, contributions and speakers and/or discussants. We explicitly invite proposals for sessions enhancing discussions between science, politics, economy, and NGOs. The proposals must be submitted by **February 4, 2013** as **PDF file** through the conference homepage. The Organizing Committee and the GEWISOLA Executive Board decide upon the acceptance of submitted proposals.

Posters

Proposals for poster contributions on max. 2 pages in German or English should describe problem, methodology, and results of a research work. Submitted proposals will be evaluated by two reviewers. The format to be used can be found at the conference homepage: www.gewisola2013.hu-berlin.de. The papers must be submitted by **May 6, 2013** as **PDF file** through the conference homepage.

Accepted posters must be formatted according to the poster guidelines at the conference homepage. They are displayed during the conference and are presented by the authors in separate poster sessions. A two-page summary of accepted and presented posters will be published in the conference proceedings.

Pre-Conference Activities

Pre-conference activities can be organized on September 24 and in the morning of September 25. Such activities comprise workshops, meetings or discussion groups on special topics. Proposals of max. 2 pages in German or English should describe topic, structure, speakers, and participants. The proposals must be submitted by **February 4, 2013** as **PDF file** through the conference homepage www.gewisola2013.hu-berlin.de.

Information and Conference Office

Further information of the Annual Conference and on submissions of contributions can be found on the conference homepage www.gewisola2013.huberlin.de. You can also contact the conference office:

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