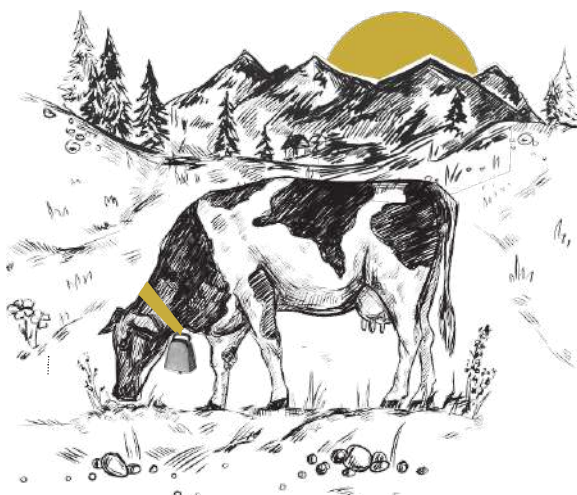


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India's agri transformation a lesson for others: Modi



Inaugurating the triennial conference organised by the International Association of Agricultural Economists here on Saturday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said India's experience is valuable for discussions on transforming the food system and is sure to benefit the Global South. India is hosting the conference for the second time after a gap of 65 years. The Prime Minister said from a newly independent nation facing challenges to ensure food security 65 years ago, India has now become a food surplus country, the largest producer of milk, pulses and spices, and the second largest producer of food grain, fruits, vegetables, cotton, sugar, tea and farmed fish.

He said during the last time the conference was held in India, the country's food security was a matter of concern for the world while today, India is providing solutions to global food and nutrition security. "Therefore, India's experience is valuable for discussions on food system transformation and is sure to benefit the Global South," Mr. Modi said.

Reiterating India's commitment to global welfare, Mr. Modi said India does not view the health of humans, plants and animals "in silos". "Challenges before sustainable agriculture and food systems can only be tackled under the holistic approach of 'One Earth, One Family and One Future'," he said.

The Prime Minister said agriculture is at the centre of India's economic policies and said small farmers are the biggest strength of India's food security. He claimed that the positive results of promoting chemical-free natural farming on a large scale can be seen in the country. He told agricultural scientists from around the world who are attending the conference that India handed over 1,900 new climate-resilient varieties of seeds to farmers in the last 10 years. He also talked about "a huge campaign" for the digitisation of land where farmers will be given a digital identification number for their land and on the use of drones in farming.

Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chauhan, Member of NITI Aayog Ramesh Chand, conference president Matin Qaim and Director-General of Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) Himanshu Pathak were present on the occasion. The theme for this year's conference is "Transformation Towards Sustainable Agri-Food Systems". Professor Chand said agriculture has been a key focus area of development strategy in India, and the country has achieved historically the highest growth rate of 5% during the seven-year period from 2016-17 to 2022-23. "Agricultural growth in the last 15 years has saved many countries from economic collapse. Due to the poor effort of industry in pulling the labour force out of agriculture, the onus of remunerative employment for the large workforce still remains on agriculture," he said 🌱

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India has become the second-largest producer of food grains, fruits, vegetables, cotton, sugar, and tea, says PM Modi at the inauguration of the 32nd International Conference of Agricultural Economists

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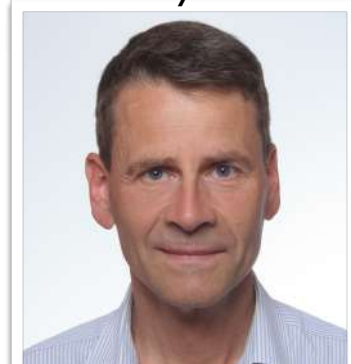
President-elect



Jill McCluskey is Director, School of Economic Sciences and Regents Professor at Washington State University. She is currently an at-large director of the IAAE. She is the Chair of the Board on Agriculture and Natural Resources of the U.S. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine. She served as President (2015-16) and Director (2005-2008) of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA), where increasing diversity was a major objective for her. She served the Western Agricultural Economics Association (WAEA) as Director and VP, and is a member of IATRC, and FDRS. She served as Editor of the American Journal of Agricultural Economics (AJAE) from 2021 to 2024. She has guest edited several journal issues and served on editorial boards.

Jill is internationally recognized as a top researcher. Her research focuses on product quality and reputation, sustainable labeling, the economics of new food and agricultural technology, and women in STEM. She is a Fellow of the American Association of the Advancement of Sciences (AAAS), the AAEA, WAEA, and ARER. She received her PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics from UC Berkeley, where she was named alumna of the year in 2022. Jill has served as major professor to 49 PhD graduates and 31 Masters students from 22 different countries. Her research has been funded by private foundations, NSF, and USDA. She is frequently invited to give keynote and plenary presentations at international conferences. Her research has been highlighted by various media outlets including the New York Times, National Public Radio, and Newsday.

Secretary-Treasurer



Stephan von Cramon-Taubadel: Stephan has held the Chair for Agricultural Policy at the University of Göttingen since 1999. He studied agricultural economics at McGill University (BSc) and the University of Manitoba (MSc) in Canada, and completed his PhD at the University of Kiel in Germany. He was editor of Agricultural Economics, the official journal of the IAAE from 2000 to 2006, organized the contributed papers for the IAAE triennial conference in Beijing in 2009, and was a Member-at-Large on the IAAE Board of Directors from 2012 to 2015.

Since 2015 he has served as Secretary Treasurer of IAAE. Stephan's research focuses on the analysis of agricultural policies and the empirical study of price transmission and market integration. He is a guest Professor at Nanjing Agricultural University (China) and the Universidad de Talca (Chile) and was involved in a large multi-disciplinary research project in Bangalore (India) until 2023. Stephan has worked as a consultant for the FAO, the World Bank and several national governments.

Board Members-at-Large



Madhu Khanna is a leading scholar working at the intersection of agricultural and environmental economics and has conducted path-breaking research in non-mandatory approaches to environmental protection, and in agro-environmental technology adoption and policies. She began her career at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1995. Khanna is also an internationally recognized leader in the economics of technology adoption, with a focus on agro-environmental technologies, such as precision farming and biofuels. Her research provides a comprehensive understanding of the implications of risk, uncertainty and absence of well-designed policies for the adoption of input-efficiency enhancing technologies, using option value models, optimal control models and expected utility theory.

More recently, Khanna is leading the field in developing both conceptual and integrated multi-sector models to understand the food and fuel price impacts of biofuels and the effect of biofuel policies on land use, greenhouse gas emissions and water quality. Madhu has a strong commitment to professional service. She has chaired the Environmental Economics Advisory Committee and other panels of the EPA's Science Advisory Board. She has also chaired review panels for the USDA's National Institute for Food and Agriculture. She has served on the board of directors for the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, the Committee on Women in Agricultural Economics and the South Asian Network for Environmental and Development Economics.

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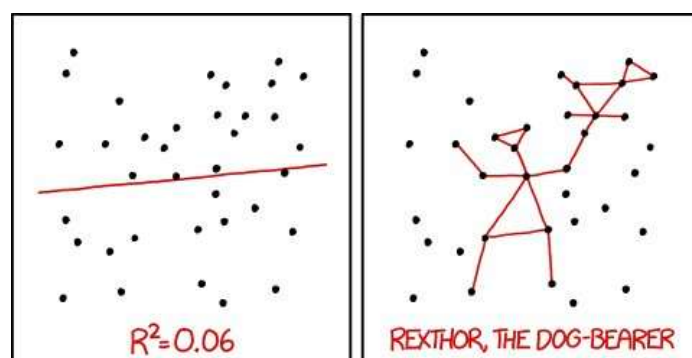
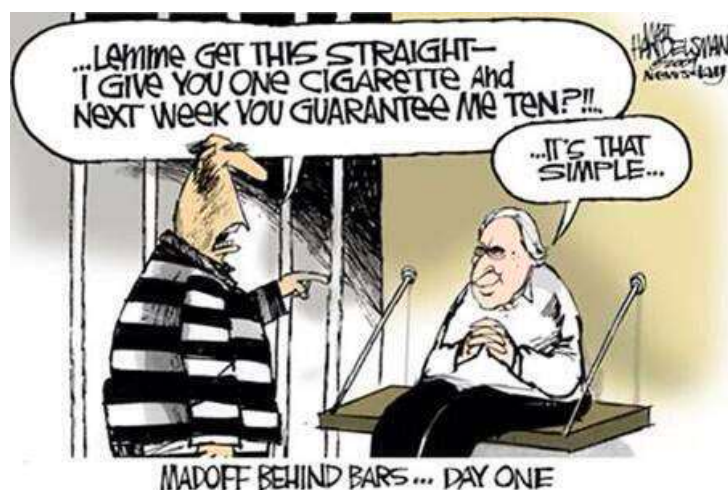
Joshua Ariga is a senior program officer with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the President of the African Association of Agricultural Economists (AAAE). He has over 20 years' experience working with global and local development partners to support governments design and implement evidence-based policies that enable investments in agriculture. Before joining the Foundation, he was head of the policy program at the International Fertilizer Development Center where he led fertilizer regulatory and policy activities in Asia and Africa.

He is a leading international development specialist in the design, implementation and management of development projects and has advised policy makers and consulted for international organizations and development partners. He has published journal articles and chapters in books covering a range of policy issues. In 2017 he received the Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for applied policy analysis in recognition of outstanding impact on agricultural and related policy. Joshua has a PhD in agricultural economics from Michigan State University and master's degree from the University of Arizona.



Miet Maertens leads the Agricultural and Rural Development Economics research group at KU Leuven, and is professor at the Division of Bio-economics and vice-chair of the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences at KU Leuven (Belgium). She holds a PhD in Agricultural Economics (2003) from the Georg-August University in Goettingen (Germany) and MSc degrees in Economics (1999) and in Bioscience Engineering (1998) from KU Leuven. She teaches several Bachelor and Master courses in the field of agricultural, environmental and food economics at KU Leuven.

Her research primarily focuses on low- and middle-income countries in Africa, Latin America, and Southeast Asia. Her work is structured around three main areas: the first examines food trade, global value chains, climate change, and sustainability standards; the second explores the development of rural labour markets, decent work, and gender issues; and the third investigates processes of agricultural intensification and rural transformation. She is leading several research projects on these topics, including collaborative projects with various universities and research institutes around the world. She has co-authored numerous scientific articles published in disciplinary and interdisciplinary journals (ORCID 0000-0001-7245-0375, Scopus ID 6602225515). She is advisor to some international organisations and associate editor for Agricultural Economics.



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The following is a list of all the Honorary Life Members of the IAAE since 1973.

2024	2021
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2018	2015
Kym Anderson, Australia Shenggen Fan, China Alain de Janvry, USA USA Scott Rozelle, USA Elisabeth Sadoulet, USA Gerald Shively, USA David Zilberman, USA	Julian Alston, USA Derek Byerlee, USA Jikun Huang, China Uma Lele, India Philip Pardey, USA Eugenia Serova, Russia Wallace Tyner, USA
2012	2009
David Colman, UK Keijiro Otsuka, Japan Nick Vink, South Africa Malcolm Wegener, Australia	Walter Armbruster, USA Willis Oluoch-Kosura, Kenya Prabhu Pingali, India Joachim von Braun, Germany
2006	2003
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2000	1997
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1994	1991
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Dennis K. Britton, UK C. C. Chang, China Ulf Renborg, Sweden T. W. Schultz, USA	Denis Bergmann, France Keith O. Campbell, Australia M. L. Dantwala, India Kazushi Ohkawa, Japan
1982	1979
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1976	1973
Edgar Thomas, UK John R. Raeburn, UK Max Rolfes, USA Harry Trelogan, USA	Sherman Johnson, USA Joseph Ackerman, USA

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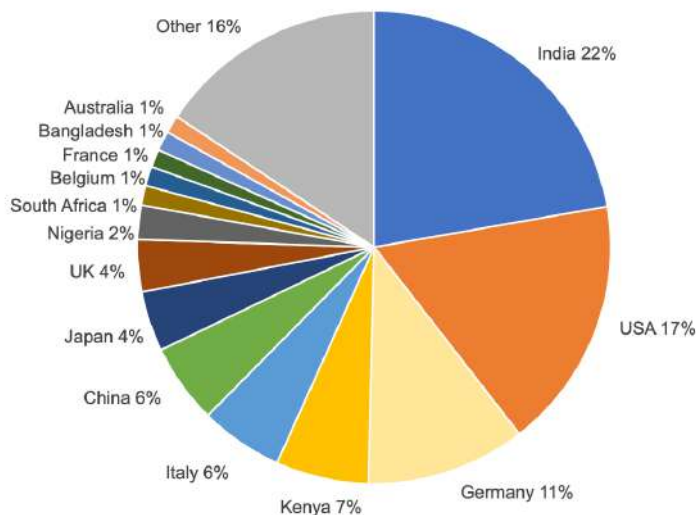
EARLIER ICAE CONFERENCES

YEAR	SERIES	LOCATION	DELEGATES
2024	32nd ICAE	New Delhi, India	1071
2021	31st ICAE	VIRTUAL	948
2018	30th ICAE	Vancouver, Canada	1235
2015	29th ICAE	Milan, Italy	1158
2012	28th ICAE	Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil	632
2009	27th ICAE	Beijing, P.R. China	878
2006	26th ICAE	Gold Coast, Australia	987
2003	25th ICAE	Durban, South Africa	735
2000	24th ICAE	Berlin, Germany	951
1997	23rd ICAE	Sacramento, California, USA	781
1994	22nd ICAE	Harare, Zimbabwe	691
1991	21st ICAE	Tokyo, Japan	908
1988	20th ICAE	Buenos Aires, Argentina	759
1985	19th ICAE	Malaga, Spain	823
1982	18th ICAE	Jakarta, Indonesia	480
1979	17th ICAE	Banff, Alberta, Canada	795
1976	16th ICAE	Nairobi, Kenya	656
1973	15th ICAE	Sao Paulo, Brazil	695
1970	14th ICAE	Minsk, USSR	685
1967	13th ICAE	Sydney, Australia	501
1964	12th ICAE	Lyon, France	562
1961	11th ICAE	Cuernavaca, Mexico	485
1958	10th ICAE	Mysore, India	350
1955	9th ICAE	Helsinki, Finland	364
1952	8th ICAE	East Lansing, Michigan, USA	340
1949	7th ICAE	Stresa, Italy	271
1947	6th ICAE	Totnes, Devon, England	82
1938	5th ICAE	Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec, Canada	510
1936	4th ICAE	St. Andrews, Fife, Scotland	219
1934	3rd ICAE	Bad Eilsen, Germany	170
1930	2nd ICAE	Ithaca, New York, USA	309
1929	1st ICAE	Totnes, Devon, England	50



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Registered participants from 68 countries



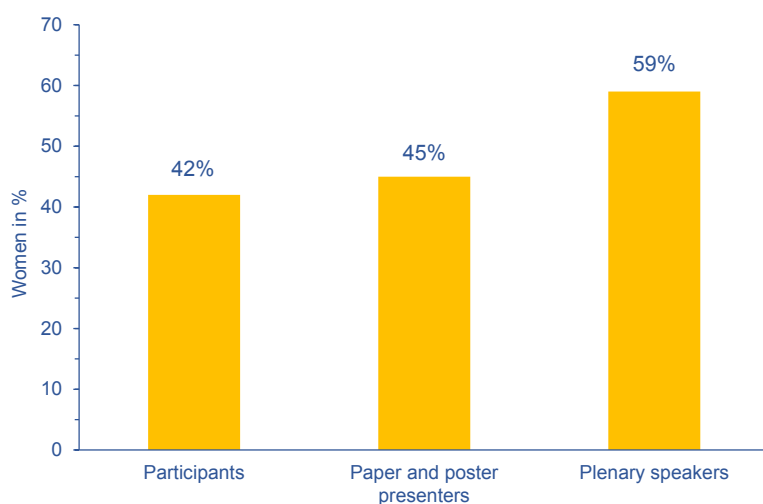
Participants with travel grants

IAAE could sponsor 119 participants from >30 low- and middle income countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America

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Participants and program roles by gender



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- **Contributed papers:** 1023 submitted; 380 included in program
- **Contributed posters:** 174 submitted; 222 included in program (including accepted poster submissions and positively reviewed papers that were transferred to poster)
- **Organized symposia:** 95 submitted; 57 included in program
- **Plenary speakers:** 22 invited and included in program (plus 4 in prize session)
- **Invited panels:** 23 invited and included in program
- **Pre-conference workshops:** 6 included in program

IAAE Paper Prizes

- **T.W. Schultz Prize for the Best Contributed Paper** (under 40 years): *Jury:* Meike Wollni, Sonia Akter, William Masters
- **Uma Lele Prize for the Best Contributed Paper on Gender:** *Jury:* Liesbeth Colen, Cheryl Doss, Kibrom Abay, Hema Swaminathan, Claudia Ringler
- **Nils Westermarck Prize for the Best Contributed Poster** (under 40 years): *Jury:* Martin Parlasca, Purnima Menon, Hope Michelson
- **Carl. K. Eicher Award for best dissertation on African development:** *Jury:* Tahirou Abdoulaye.

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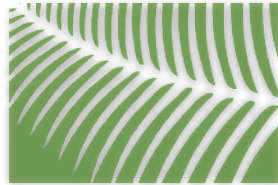
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FAO Young Researchers Networking Event

The FAO welcomes Young Researchers for a networking event at [The Lalit](#) Hotel in New Delhi on August 4th at 7pm. If you're interested in participating, please fill out the [Google form link](#). Selected applicants will receive further details and an invitation to the event.

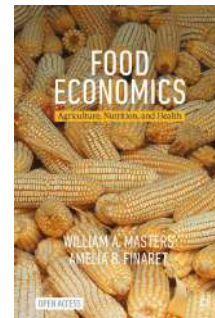


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4 August 2024 at 7 pm New Delhi time
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Open-Access Textbook on Food Economics: Agriculture, Nutrition and Health

IAAE members are welcome to use the new open access textbook entitled "Food Economics: Agriculture, Nutrition and Health" (by William Masters and Amelia Finaret) freely available online here: <https://link.springer.com/book/9783031538391>. The book is aimed at helping instructors prepare and deliver courses for advanced undergraduates and graduate students from diverse backgrounds, including service courses taught for students with no prior knowledge of economics or agriculture.



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