



NEWS AND VIEWS AARES Newsletter

Welcome to the September 2016 edition of AARES News and Views

1. New AARES Website

As part of a much needed software upgrade, AARES is pleased to reveal its [new website](#) which is more contemporary, more intuitive, allows greater membership engagement and provides better mobile access. We hope you like the new look! There is still a bit to do to ensure all the information has been migrated and the links are active, so we ask you to be patient and to advise Annie Hurst at the [Central Office](#) if you see any glaring errors, omissions or missing links.

2. AARES 2017 Conference

The 2017 AARES Conference will be held in Brisbane at the Brisbane Conference and Exhibition Centre from the 7th to the 10th of February in a very nice venue. There is a very energetic committee organising the conference, together with Quentin Grafton as President-Elect. We have a number of international and national speakers coming to talk on agricultural, resource, energy and other topics, as well as several specialist mini-symposiums. For more information about the events at AARES 2017, submission and registration deadlines please [click here](#).

3. 2017 AARES Membership Renewals

Membership renewals for the 2017 calendar year will open in the next few weeks. Payments can be made through the new AARES website with Visa or Mastercard. Our IT guys are currently seeing if we can configure the upgraded software platform to enable us to offer 3-year membership payments for Ordinary and Emeritus members.

If you are over 60, not in full-time employment and have been a member of AARES for at least 10 years, you can qualify for Emeritus membership. If you would like to change your membership type to Emeritus, please contact Annie Hurst at the [Central Office](#) and she will make the necessary changes to your membership profile.

4. Henry Schapper Fellowship

In memory of Dr Schapper, the West Australian (WA) Branch of AARES will award Visiting Fellowships to leading researchers in fields relevant to economic and ecological sustainability to encourage collaboration with West Australian researchers.

Nominations for Fellowships close on 15 September 2016. For more information about this fellowship please [click here](#).

5. AARES ACT Branch - Economic Essay Competition

Students currently enrolled in a university in the ACT are invited to submit an essay of up to 5000 words on any topic relating to agricultural, resource, environmental or applied economics. Please feel free to submit an essay written for your university coursework or one written especially for the competition. For more information please [click here](#).

6. 2016 AARES-AAEA Heading South Award – Call for Submissions

North American-based AARES members are invited to enter a submission for the 2016 Heading South Award to attend the AARES Annual Conference to be held in Brisbane from 7 - 10 February 2017. Applicants for the award must be a member of AARES or AAEA. The deadline for the submission of entries is **16 September 2016**. For more information please [click here](#).

7. AARES-NZARES Heading West Award - Call for Submissions

New Zealand-based AARES members are invited to enter a submission for the **2016 Heading West Award** to attend the AARES Annual Conference in Brisbane in February 2017. The closing date for the submission of entries is **30 September 2016**. For more information please [click here](#).

8. Donna Brennan Prize – Call for Submissions

The Donna Brennan Award was established by AARES to assist an overseas early career researcher to present a paper at the AARES 2017 Annual Conference in Brisbane, Australia from 7-10 February 2017 by providing AUD \$1,500 towards conference registration, a ticket to the awards dinner, travel and accommodation.

The award will be based on the quality of a Selected Paper submitted to the 2017 AARES Conference. The deadline for submissions is **14 September 2016**. Submissions of a paper under the “Selected Paper” category for consideration for the prize can be

made through the [Submissions Page](#) of the AARES 2017 Conference website. For more information please [click here](#).

9. Quality of Communications Awards – Calls for Submissions

We are pleased to invite submissions for the 2016 **Quality of Research Discovery Award** which intends to recognise research that makes a significant contribution to the field of knowledge in agricultural and resource economics; and the **Quality of Research Communications Award**, which is intended to recognise superior communication of concepts or knowledge in any subject matter of professional specialization (i.e. teaching, research, policy analysis, or extension) in agricultural and resource economics to a specified audience. The submission deadline for both awards is **30 November 2016**. For more information please [click here](#).

10. Crawford Fund Parliamentary Conference – AARES Scholarship Winner, Rohan Yargop



AARES would like to congratulate Rohan Yargop, a researcher at the University of Adelaide, who was selected to represent AARES at the Crawford Fund's recent 2016 Parliamentary Conference in Canberra.

11. AARES Heading North Award – Report by Award Winner, Zack Dorner



I was very excited to receive this year's Heading North Award to attend the AAEA annual conference in Boston, to present Preferences for Intrinsically Risky Attributes (co-authored with Daniel Brent and Anke Leroux). It was an excellent experience to attend an international conference in the field and a great chance to expand my international networks. Seeing some of the academics whose work I have admired over the years present alongside high quality work from a people at various stages of their careers was inspiring. I'd like to thank both the AARES Federal Council and the AAEA Foundation for this great opportunity and hope to see everyone at many more AARES and AAEA events in the future.

12. The International Food and Agribusiness Management Association (IFAMA) Student Case Study Competition 2016 – reported by Sarah Rohr



Sarah Rohr, a final year Bachelor of Agricultural and Resource Economics student and member of the University of New England's (UNE) student team, reflects on her experience of the IFAMA 2016 conference in Denmark. For information about IFAMA and Sarah's experience please [click here](#).

13. Agrifood XXIII

The Centre for Global Food and Resources (GFAR) at the University of Adelaide is delighted to jointly host the XXIII annual conference of the Agri-food Research Network (AFRN) and a gathering of the Australian Agricultural Resource Economics Society (AARES) in Adelaide from December 7-10, 2016. The AFRN has been meeting annually in Australasia since 1993. It represents a group of scholars, students and activists who are interested in critical political and theoretical issues in agri-food systems.

The organising committee invites you to join us in Adelaide for **Agrifood XXIII**. For more information please [click here](#).

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