# **NEWS AND VIEWS - UPDATE**



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## **#AARES 2019**

October 22nd - the closing date to submit abstracts is coming up quickly. The Local Organising Committee has been busy with the conference organisation and here is a sneak peek of a couple of the invited speakers, Anna Alberini and Shenggen Fan as some inspiration. More details to come in News and Views November.

Anna Alberini received her PhD in Economics from the University of California San Diego in 1992. She is currently a professor in the Department of Agricultural and Resources Economics at the University of Maryland, College Park. She is an environmental economist with a major focus on the economics of health and safety and non-market valuation, and an energy economist. Her energy economics research focuses on residential energy demand, energy efficiency decisions and consequences of such decisions, policies targeted as shaping residential energy demand, and on vehicle fuel economy and driving decisions.



Shenggen Fan (樊□根) has been director general of the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) since 2009.

Dr. Fan joined IFPRI in 1995 as a research fellow, conducting extensive research on pro-poor development strategies in Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. He led IFPRI's program on public investment before becoming the director of the Institute's Development Strategy and Governance Division in 2005.

He is one of the Champions of Target 12.3 of the Sustainable Development Goals, dedicated to inspiring ambition, mobilizing action, and accelerating progress toward cutting global food loss and waste. He serves as a member of the Lead Group for the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement appointed by UN Secretary General Ban Ki Moon. He serves as advisor to many national governments (including China and Vietnam) on agriculture, food security and nutrition.

In 2017, Dr. Fan received the 2017 Fudan Management Excellence Award. The award is referred to in China as the "Nobel Prize for Management." This highly prestigious award recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the field of management.



### QUALITY OF RESEARCH DISCOVERY AWARD

Quality of Research Discovery Award intends to recognise research that makes a significant contribution to the field of knowledge in agricultural and resource economics. The work should demonstrate excellence in research methodology and may deal with conceptualization of researchable problems as well as empirical findings.

The winning nomination will receive a \$500 cash award to be presented at the Society's annual conference dinner. At least one of the co-authors of the work must have been a member of AARES when the work was published.

Publications for a period of up to three years prior to the 15 November submission due date are eligible for an award.

Seven major areas are to be considered in evaluating nominations as follows: 1. Importance of topic. 2. Timeliness of topic. 3.Excellence in published research intended primarily for an academic audience, 4. Significance of research to the literature or other media 5. Organization and presentation of research 6.Economic content of research 7. Policy relevance

Entries must be received by 15 November For further details click HERE.

#### AG INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA NATIONAL CONFERENCE, BRAVE NEW WORLD: AGRICULTURE TO 2030 28-30 NOVEMBER 2018, RYDGES WORLD SQUARE, SYDNEY

The Ag Institute has its annual conference coming up in November and registration is now open. The conference is focusing on practical, business focused presentations across 4 key themes including Challenges Facing Australian Agriculture. Featuring Keynote speaker Dr Paul Fisher , Former Executive Director, Bank of England and UK's Deputy Prudential Regulator & Member, EU High Level Expert Group on Sustainable Finance. With experience on many policy issues, Dr Fisher will deliver a keynote addressing the future of agriculture in a changing global financial landscape, and discussing the implications for Australia. Equip yourself with the latest information and exclusive insights from an experienced global leader in economics and finance.

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