

Wednesday, February 13

- 9:30–15:00 **PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOP: CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION IN CANADIAN AGRICULTURE: INTEGRATING RECENT FARM BEHAVIOUR RESEARCH INTO POLICY** Organized by Debra Davidson and funded by Weston Foundation
- 18:00 – 20:00 **MEET & GREET RECEPTION** Includes conference packet pick-up

Thursday, February 14

- 7:30 – 9:00 CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION
- 8:30 – 8:45 **WELCOME COMMENTS** Peter Boxall, CAES Past-President
- 8:45 – 10:00 **KEYNOTE 1: APPLYING BEHAVIORAL AND EXPERIMENTAL ECONOMICS TO U.S. AGRICULTURE: BENEFITS, CHALLENGES, AND LESSONS LEARNED** Speaker: Dr. Kent Messer, University of Delaware
- 10:00 – 10:30 NETWORKING BREAK
- 10:30 – 12:00 **SESSION 1: THE ROLE OF FARMERS AS AGENTS IN POLICY EFFECTIVENESS**
Organizer and Chair: Debra Davidson, University of Alberta | Speakers: Getu Hailu, University of Guelph; Christopher Bryant, University of Guelph - Retired; Kelly Bronson, University of Ottawa; Julia Baird, Brock University
- 12:00 – 13:30 LUNCH
- 13:30 – 15:00 **SESSION 2: POLICIES TO INCENT PRACTICE CHANGE AT THE FARM LEVEL** Speakers: Alfons Weersink, University of Guelph; Paul Thorogood, DUC; Lara Ellis, ALUS Canada
- 15:00 – 15:30 NETWORKING BREAK
- 15:30 -17:00 **SESSION 3: WETLAND CONSERVATION OFFSETTING AND ASSOCIATED VALUATION: FINDING THE RIGHT COMBINATION OF POLICIES, INCENTIVES AND PROGRAMS** Organizer and Chair: Pat Kehoe, DUC / Speakers: John Thompson, Watrecon Consulting; Dave Poulton, Poulton Environmental Strategies Inc; Dr. Shari Clare, Fiera Consulting / Discussion Facilitator: Greg Thompson, Thompson and Mortimer Consulting Inc.
- 17:00 – 19:00 **WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION**
CAPI Annual Agri-Food Policy Poster Competition

Friday, February 15

- 7:30 – 9:00 CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION
- 8:30 – 9:45 **KEYNOTE 2: EVALUATION OF AGRICULTURE POLICIES AND PROGRAM IMPACTS: BUILDING CREDIBLE EVIDENCE IN AGRICULTURE POLICY** Speaker: Dr. Chad Lawley, University of Manitoba
- 9:45 – 10:00 **TOP THREE POSTER PRESENTATIONS**
- 10:00 – 10:30 NETWORKING BREAK
- 10:30 – 12:00 **SESSION 4: NATURAL CAPITAL IN AGRICULTURE: WHAT DOES IT MEAN AND HOW CAN IT BE USED?**
Speaker: Marian Weber, InnoTech Alberta | Discussant: Ken Belcher, University of Saskatchewan
- 12:00 – 12:30 **CLOSING COMMENTS AND CONTEST WINNERS**
Kara Beckles, CAES President-Elect

ABOUT THIS CONFERENCE

Since it was first held in 2011, the Annual Canadian Agri-Food Policy Conference (CAPC) has become a premier national policy outlook for the agri-food sector. While most previous conferences have focused largely on agriculture and agri-food policies, this conference will focus on the agri-environmental policies and programs and the connections between agriculture and the environment.

Sessions will address:

- Agri-Environmental Policies and Programs Evaluation
- Agriculture and Wetland Conservation
- Natural Capital in Agriculture
- Climate Change Mitigation/Adaptation at the Farm Level
- Beneficial Management Practices (BMP) Adoption
- Land Use – Land Use Change and Fragmentation
- Behavioural Economics

Presenters will consist of a blend of distinguished scholars and industry stakeholders highlighting critical issues and potential policy solutions facing the agri-food system in Canada today. Attendees will have an opportunity to network with numerous stakeholders from the North American agri-food and environmental sectors as well as economists and government policy and program managers and regulators.

Highlights

- Two keynote sessions
- Four interactive sessions
- Research posters
- Meet & Greet Reception
- Wine & Cheese Reception
- Breakfasts, snacks and lunch
- Preconference workshop
- Time to learn and network

CONFERENCE HOST



Who We Are:

The Canadian Agricultural Economics Society is an association of individuals with a professional interest in topics related to the economics of agriculture, food, natural resources, and the environment. Established in 1929 to advance knowledge in agricultural economics through various activities, the CAES has evolved to include the study and application of food, resource and environmental economics issues. Members are economists and other social science professionals in universities, government, non-government agencies and the private sector, as well as undergraduate and graduate students, and are Canadians and others, in Canada and elsewhere.

What We Do:

Our activities support research excellence, professional development and knowledge exchange and let you get involved, stay informed, and be part of the conversation. If you are interested in topics related to the economics of agriculture, food, natural resources, and the environment, and you would like to network, share your work and learn from others who are solving problems and anticipating new challenges in these areas, the CAES is your professional home.