

Dear CASEE Members,

The CASEE Presidency is pleased to inform you about the recent developments within the CASEE Network:

# 1) Registration for the 7<sup>th</sup> CASEE Conference: "The Role of Life Sciences in Europe's 2020 strategy",

22-24 May 2016, BUASVM - Banat's University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine "King Michael I of Romania" from Timisoara

We kindly invite you to the 7<sup>th</sup> CASEE Conference in Timisoara.

The registration will open on 1 March 2016.

Deadline for registration: 15 April 2016

Thank you for promoting the conference among your colleagues! 131 abstracts have been submitted for the conference. They will be reviewed in the next weeks by the Scientific Committee and the Board will take the final decision on March 1. The presenters will be informed via e-mail in the first week of March . Conference website -> Register between 1 March and 15 April 2016 Programme

## 2) Reminder CASEE Fund for Incentives 2016 – Deadline 1 March 2016

We warmly invite all CASEE members to prepare projects for the application for the CASEE Fund for Incentives. In 2016 educational (e.g. curriculum development, summer school ....) and joint research projects can be supported (total amount of € 9000 if membership fees will be paid). The application deadline is 1 March 2016.

Call for Applications

Application form

As you all know, the CASEE Fund for Incentives is funded by 500 € from each member. This sum is collected together with the membership fee – therefore we want to remind the universities that have yet to pay their CASEE membership fee to settle their account as soon as possible.

#### 3) E-Learning Course for master students (2 ECTS, February - May 2016) "Introduction to Scientific Communication"

CASEE kindly asks you to encourage your students to join the following e-learning course, connected to the 7<sup>th</sup> CASEE Conference. The course is mainly targeted at students of the CASEE-In-Project universities (see item 4), if free places are available students from other CASEE members might be accepted as well.

Find your scientific voice and establish your networking abilities!

Join the e-learning Course (2 ECTS, Feb - May 2016) "Introduction to Scientific Communication"! The major objective of this master course is to present guidelines for scientific writing and presentation and to show students some IT knacks and techniques. The course held by Szent István University via e-learning gives an overview of the CASEE Network, and will introduce you to the sessions for the next CASEE conference from 22-24 May 2016 in beautiful Timisoara/Romania. Successful candidates will be able to participate in the conference for free! You will meet and discuss with students from five different universities from Middle and (South) Eastern Europe and can explore your interdisciplinary and multicultural abilities. Application: Send your motivation letter, a CV and a Transcript of Records to <u>agrifood-</u> <u>casee@boku.ac.at</u> by 14 February 2016.

## 4) CASEE-In- Project Internationalizing CASEE network by introducing innovative mobility activities and defining quality criteria

In December 2015, a new CASEE project was funded by the IMPULSE programme of OeAD (Austrian agency for international mobility and cooperation in education, science and research): CASEE-In . The aim of the project is to develop guidelines for internationalisation of universities and e-learning courses to prepare Master students for presentations at scientific conferences. The project consortium consists of University of Zagreb, Szent Istvan University of Gödöllö, Banat's University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine "King Michael 1st" of Timisoara, State Agrarian University of Moldova in Chisinau and the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna as coordinator.

Further information will soon be available on http://casee-in.usab-tm.ro/index.html

#### 5) Two workshops on a bioeconomy RTI strategy for the Danube Region

Workshop 1: Vienna, Austria, 14 March 2016, 11:00 – 16:00

Workshop 2: Timisoara, Romania, 24 May 2016, 14:00 - 19:00

We would like to kindly invite you to two workshops, organised within a pilot action of the Danube-INCO.NET (WP3). The pilot action aims at supporting and developing a bioeconomy RTI-strategy and a related research and innovation agenda for the Danube Region. The pilot action was initiated to support the ICA CASEE network. The pilot action offers participants of both workshops reimbursement of travel and accommodation expenses.

**Workshop 1:** Participants share their views and experiences on bioeconomy-related national policy initiatives and strategies. Further, needs and requirements for developing a bioeconomy RTI strategy for the Danube Region are discussed and analyzed.

**Workshop 2:** In connection with and directly following the 7<sup>th</sup> CASEE Conference. Participants discuss a bioeconomy RTI strategy for the Danube Region. Additionally, the second workshop will give the participants opportunity to develop a strategy and research proposals. Information on appropriate funding will be provided.

The organizers look forward to initiate a RTI strategy process in the Danube Region together with you.

**Further information** 

Registration for Workshop 1: Please send the <u>application form</u> to Martin Weigl (<u>weigl.oevaf@boku.ac.at</u>) by Friday, 19 February 2016.

Registration for Workshop 2: see application workshop 1 OR as part of the registration for the 7<sup>th</sup> CASEE conference.

## 6) 5th edition of the International Conference "Agriculture for Life – Life for Agriculture" Bucharest, 9-11 June 2016

We have the honour of inviting you to participate in the 2016 Edition of the International Conference "Agriculture for Life - Life for Agriculture", an event initiated by the University of Agronomic Sciences and Veterinary Medicine of Bucharest, to be held in Bucharest, Romania, 9-11 June 2016.

The University of Agronomic Sciences and Veterinary Medicine of Bucharest aims to continue its annual meetings on life sciences and social sciences, offering researchers, business leaders,

government and EU officials the opportunity to share their innovative ideas and research results in order to scientifically address global challenges.

Sections: Agronomy, Horticulture, Animal Science, Veterinary Medicine, Land Reclamation, Earth Observation & Surveying, Environmental Engineering, Biotechnology, Management and Economics in Rural Areas

The best papers will be published on ScienceDirect.com, Elsevier's premier online platform! Deadline for paper submission: 15 February 2016

#### <u>Announcement</u>

#### Preliminary Programme

#### 7) 13th International Scientific Conference on Global Problems of Agriculture and Food Economy Warsaw-Rogow, Poland, 16-17 June 2016

The Department of Agricultural Economics and International Economic Relations of the Warsaw University of Life Sciences (SGGW) is cordially inviting you to participate in the 13th International Scientific Conference on GLOBAL PROBLEMS OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD ECONOMY, to be held on 16-17 June 2016 in Warsaw-Rogow, Poland.

Conference topics cover the following international aspects of agro-food economy:

- Perspectives and determinants of development of agro-food economy and rural areas
- Policy measures and their impact on the economy
- Globalization and integration processes
- International trade and movements of factors of production
- Competitiveness and innovativeness in agro-food economy
- Prices and their determinants in agriculture and food economy
- Agro-food marketing chain
- Consumption patterns and food security
- Methodological aspects of the evaluation of development of food economy and rural areas
- Economic aspects of information in agriculture and food economy
- The role of human capital in economic development
- Management of natural resources and environmental impact assessment

Application deadline: 15 March 2016

<u>Further information</u> <u>Preliminary Announcement</u> <u>Invitation</u>

## 8) 8th International Congress on Pigments in Food 2016

Cluj-Napoca, Romania, 28 June - 1 July 2016

The University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Cluj-Napoca is pleased to invite you and your collaborators to the 8th International Congress on "Pigments in Food 2016" (PIF2016), which will be held in Cluj-Napoca, Romania from 28 June to 1 July 2016. The aim of the congress is to offer good opportunities for scientists to show their advances in scientific and technological topics, related to pigments in food, from their chemical characterization, to (bio)technological production and formulation, stability, metabolism and finally to focus on health effects and benefits.

Academic and industrial scientists from all over the world are invited to submit their work via oral or poster presentation. Contributions on all aspects of pigments in food are welcomed, session's topics being well adapted to cover six important and outstanding directions of research and technology development.

Registration deadline: 1 March 2016 <u>Further information</u>

## 9) 17th Ljubljana Summer School "Take the Best from East and West"

Ljubljana, Slovenia, 4-22 July 2016

We are pleased to inform you that the 17th Ljubljana Summer School Take the Best from East and West will take place from 4- 22 July 2016 at the Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Students are welcome to choose among 28 academically challenging and intellectually stimulating courses on Bachelor's and Master's Level. In addition to company visits from different industries or services, our rich optional programme offers a variety of social activities and organized weekend trips around Slovenia and neighbouring countries.

Further information Brochure

## 10) Save the date: 20<sup>th</sup> IROICA Conference "Efficiency of IRO's in a network, IROICA recipes for success"

Lyon, Lille, 6-10 June 2016

The IROICA Network and the FESIA network in France are pleased to invite you to attend the 20th IROICA Conference from 6 to 10 June 2016.

Because this is the 20th annual conference this is considered as a special moment to celebrate the existence of IROICA for so many years.

Therefore IROICA would be honoured to welcome all of you during the next conference week! The full programme and the conference website will be available soon, but please save the dates 6-10 June 2016 already in your agenda!

## 11) New Year Greetings and News from the ICA President

## 12) Danube-INCO.NET Portal

Danube-INCO.NET is an FP7 funded coordination and support action for the official EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) in the field of research and innovation (R&I). The project portal publishes the latest RTD and Innovation dynamics related to the Danube Region, in terms of news, event announcements, call, documents, etc.

#### Latest from Danube-INCO.NET:

- Interreg Project Management Camp for Contact Points (Registration until February 22)
- Danube Winter School (Apply by February 15th)
- <u>Constitution of a Panel of External Experts at UIA applications accepted</u>

## 13) DRC Newsletter, December 2015

#### 14) EFICEEC-EFISEE newsletter December 2015

#### 15) Information CASEE Website:

The CASEE Secretariat has established a private area at the CASEE website <u>www.ica-casee.eu</u>, where you can find information about:

- General Assembly
- Fund for Incentives
- Projects
- Corporate Design

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In case you want to announce conferences, workshops or similar events organized by your university via the CASEE Network, or should you have any questions or comments about planned CASEE activities, please do not hesitate to send this information to the CASEE Executive Secretary (casee@boku.ac.at) – and it will be included in the next CASEE Newsletters.

With kind regards, Ulrike

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