



## Call for Papers: Challenges for Agri-Food Supply Networks. New Forms of Collaborations in the context of COVID-19

For the November IFAMA-WICaNeM conference, the organizers invite participants to discuss and share their vision on **how COVID-19 is impacting agri-food supply networks, now and in the future.**

Submissions to the conference are encouraged to fall within, but are not limited to the following questions:

- › What is the impact of a pandemic such as the one caused by the COVID-19, and containment measures, on existing agri-food supply chains?
- › How will COVID-19 and subsequent measures impact international trade in specific foods, seeds, and flowers; will existing and new trade and non-trade (e.g. phytosanitary) barriers be imposed?
- › How COVID-19-proof and resilient are agri-food networks? Are new knowledge and new collaborations needed in reforming agri-food to deliver sustainable and resilient development?
- › What strategies of agribusinesses, regulators and governments are emerging and will emerge in the (post-) COVID-19 era and how successful those could be?
- › How the novel coronavirus, and containment measures set by the governments impact multifunctional agriculture?
- › How does COVID-19 affect the performance of agri-food supply chains and their contribution to attaining sustainable development goals?
- › What are the outlook for agri-food supply networks during and post-pandemic?
- › How is the interplay between stakeholders within and between agri-food supply networks changing?

### Paper submissions

We invite you to submit an abstract of 750 words by 30 September 2020 through the online submission system of the conference:

<https://www.wur.nl/en/article/Abstract-submission-IFAMA-WICaNeM-conference-november-2020.htm>

We invite a range of formats to stimulate debate during the conference. There will be regular sessions in which academic papers are presented. Next to this, it is also possible to submit a proposal for an 'open session' including academic, business or other stakeholders from different corners of agri-food networks (combinations are preferred). There will also be an opportunity for poster presentations.

### Important dates

- › Opening of Abstract Submissions 31 July 2020
- › Closing of Abstract Submissions 30 September 2020
- › Announcement of selected papers and sessions 15 October 2020
- › Registration open 1 September 2020
- › Conference dates 25 - 26 November 2020

**Location:** De Doelen, Schouwburgplein 50, 3012 CL Rotterdam

**Event webpage:** [wur.eu/covid19-agri-food-challenges](http://wur.eu/covid19-agri-food-challenges)

**Registration fees in euros (VAT included):** 299,- for two days.

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