ISPA Newsletter 13(1): 17th ICPA and 11th ConBAP Save the Date, ISPA Treasurer Nominations, Jobs, Events and More

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Save The Date



The International Society of Precision Agriculture and the Brazilian Association of Precision and Digital Agriculture are pleased to announce a joint conference in 2026.

Join us 13-16 July 2026 for the 17th International Conference on Precision Agriculture (17th ICPA) and the 11th Brazilian Congress on Precision Agriculture (11th ConBAP) in Porto Alegre, Brazil.

The combined conference will bring together the global Precision Agriculture audience that ICPA attendees have come to know, as well as a strong representation from Brazil's research, education, and industry sectors.

This event serves as an exceptional platform for networking, collaboration in research, professional development, and extension activities. The conference will include a joint ConBAP and ICPA educational program and exhibit hall.

Follow us on social media and sign up for our newsletter to receive conference updates. All conference

information will also be available on our website at: ispag.org/icpa/conference

2025 ISPA Annual Report

The 2025 ISPA Annual Report is now available

Current ISPA members can view the report here.
If you are interested in becoming a member please fill out the form here.

The ISPA Board would like to thank all the members for input and suggestions for improving the ISPA operations and services. In 2025, ISPA implemented a website redesign featuring expanded member resources and enhanced search capabilities to improve access to information (www.ispag.org). The ISPA Board approved hosting the 17th International Conference on Precision Agriculture (ICPA) in Porto Alegre, Brazil, to be jointly held with the 11th Brazilian Congress on Precision and Digital Agriculture (11th ConBAP) in partnership with The Brazilian Association of Precision and Digital Agriculture. This marks the first time an ICPA conference will be held outside North America.



ISPA Board Treasurer Election

The ISPA Board is now accepting nominations for ISPA Board Treasurer in a special election. The elected Treasurer will fulfill the remaining three years of the current Treasurer's term, ending July 2028. The individual will be eligible to run for reelection in 2028 for a full four year term.

Responsibilities of the ISPA Treasurer
The Treasurer shall keep correct and complete records of account, showing accurately at all times the financial condition of the Society. The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of, and be responsible for, all funds, notes, securities and other valuables which may come into the possession of the Corporation and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, all funds of the Corporation with such depositories as the Board of Directors shall designate. At the end of each year, the Treasurer, or the Treasurer's designee, shall provide a financial report summarizing the financial condition of the Society. This annual summary report will be published in an ISPA newsletter. The Treasurer, or the Treasurer's designee, shall furnish, at meetings of the Board of Directors or whenever requested, a statement of the financial condition of the Corporation, and in general shall perform all duties pertaining to the office of Treasurer.

For nomination requirements, please visit: ispag.org/election_candidates

Nominations will be accepted through 12 March 2025. Please email the complete nomination packet to nominations@ispag.org.

Prof. Maurizio Canavari



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Prof. Maurizio Canavari, a respected scholar in agricultural economics and a key figure in our community. Throughout his career, Prof. Maurizio Canavari made significant contributions to advancing research and mentoring the next generation of professionals also in the topic of precision agriculture. One of his remarkable achievements was organizing the ECPA23 conference held in Bologna, which, thanks to his tireless efforts, was held in Italy for the first time—a milestone for our field.

Despite facing illness, he continued his work with unwavering passion, embodying resilience and dedication. His humanity, professionalism, and sense of humor remain an enduring inspiration to all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Our thoughts are with his family, friends, and everyone who had the honor of collaborating with him.

Thank you for everything, Maurizio.

A Message From Georgia Country Representative, Dr. Kakha Nadiradze

Despite the current political and socio-economic problems and challenges in Georgia, it must be underlined that this is a country with diverse agricultural landscapes and a rich farming tradition. It is at a crossroads where innovation is essential to address emerging challenges and unlock its agricultural potential. Climate change, land degradation, resource inefficiency, and market access barriers pose significant threats to the sector's sustainability and productivity. Precision agriculture and smart digital solutions offer a transformative pathway to overcome these challenges and build a resilient and sustainable agricultural system.

Read the full article here.

ISPA Country Representative - Hannu Haapala



Country Representatives serve to help promote ISPA by championing the ISPA mission and purpose globally, in particular, in the country they represent. ISPA is growing internationally so Country Representatives remain an important position to help ISPA best serve people, groups, governments and others, globally connecting them to science and experts.

Please join us in thanking ISPA Country Representative from Finland, Hannu Haapala.

If you are interested in becoming a Country Representative, please email info@ispag.org with your bio highlighting your experience in precision agriculture and your CV. ISPA requires that all Country Representatives are current members of the society. To become a member, please complete the membership form.

VIEW COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES

Upcoming Events

7 APR 2025
Data-Driven Agriculture Standards Webinar
ispag.org/Member_Resources

14-15 MAY 2025
3rd National Conference on Smart Agriculture
smartagriculture3.tabrizu.ac.ir

29 JUN - 3 JUL 2025
15th European Conference on Precision Agriculture
Barcelona, Spain
ecpa2025.upc.edu/

22-31 AUG 2025
XXXII ISSCT Centennial Congress
Cali, Colombia

issctcennial.com/

14-16 OCT 2025
11th Asian-Australasian Conference on Precision Agriculture
Chiayi, Taiwan
ispag.org/Events/ACPA

2-4 FEB 2026
International Crop Modeling Symposium (iCROPM2026)
Florence, Italy

13-16 JUL 2026
17th International Conference on Precision Agriculture and the 11th Brazilian Congress on Precision Agriculture
Porto Alegre, Brazil
ispag.org/icpa

See the ISPA website for a complete list of events.
Do you have an event that would be of interest to our members? Send us an email to let us know.

Jobs Listing

- UC Cooperative Extension Specialist- Agricultural Innovation and Technology - Located at the Kearney Research and Extension Center (25-10)
- Research Scientist – Precision Horticulture - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada - Science and Technology Branch
- Research Scientist – Climate-smart Digital Agronomist - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada - Science and Technology
- Research Scientist – Crop Breeding Tool Innovation driven by AI - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada - Science and Technology Branch
- Research Scientist - Precision Fermentation Specialist - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada - Science and Technology Branch
- Research Scientist - Precision Agriculture - Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada - Science and Technology Branch
- North Dakota State University - Assistant Professor of Practice for Advancement in Agricultural Technology
- Clinical Assistant Professor of Machine Systems for Climate Smart Crop Production - Purdue University
- Assistant or Associate Professor of Extension Soil Management - University of Kentucky - Department of Plant and Soil Sciences

Do you have a job you would like to post to the ISPA website? Please send your job announcement, a short description, and cutoff deadline for applications to info@ispag.org

Contribute to the ISPA Newsletter

Do you have a precision ag event, project, or news article that our members would be interested in? Please let us know. We post events, job opportunities, and news from members from around the globe. Email info@ispag.org or use the handy online form to submit your contribution.

Stay Up To Date with ISPA on Social Media!

Be sure to follow ISPA on Twitter and LinkedIn to remain up to date with what the society has to offer. If you're posting about precision agriculture and would like to reach our international community, please add #ispag to your post.

Precision Agriculture Definition

Precision Agriculture is a management strategy that gathers, processes and analyzes temporal, spatial and individual plant and animal data and combines it with other information to support management decisions according to estimated variability for improved resource use efficiency, productivity, quality, profitability and sustainability of agricultural production.

The International Society of Precision Agriculture (ISPA) is a non-profit professional scientific organization.
The mission of ISPA is to advance the science of precision agriculture globally.

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