

Welcome to France for

## AGRO2010 MONTPELLIER and the XI<sup>th</sup> ESA Congress

29 August – 03 September 2010  
Corum conference center and Montpellier SupAgro



### Provisional programme

**Monday August 30: International symposium “Agronomy for Sustainable Development”** with high level contributions opening the dialogue between scientists, policy makers and stakeholders on the major challenges for Agronomic Research in Europe and in the developing countries. Potential subjects to structure the dialogue Science-Society and on which Agro2010 could give feed back are : food security, energy, biodiversity, human health...

**Tuesday August 31: Parallel symposia on scientific advances and challenges of interdisciplinary research around Agronomy**

- **Co-designing plants and cropping systems for new targets** (how to combine genetics and management to design new crops for new challenges : adaptation to climate change, low input, biofuels and green chemistry),
- **Ecological intensification of cropping systems** in European, Mediterranean and Tropical environments (how to produce more with less land and input ? what can we expect from soil and ecological regulation management in cropping systems ? ...)
- **Co-assessment and co-design of technological innovations and agro-environmental policies** for sustainable development in agricultural regions (how to make policies more efficient for an agriculture-based sustainable development ? how to design cropping systems to cope with policy objectives and farmers constraints ?...).

**Wednesday September 1st: “The Heart and the Art of Agronomy” : scientific advances and challenges of Agronomy – sessions of the three new ESA divisions**

- **D1: Plant System Biology : *The cultivated plant in a field***
- **D2: Field Scale Agroecology : *The cultivated field as an ecosystem***
- **D3: Cropping Systems at Farm, Regional and Global Scales : *the Cropping System in its embedding systems***

**Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup>: in parallel**

- **Agriculture and Culture in Languedoc-Roussillon:** field trips combining meetings with farmers, tasting of regional products and visits of monuments.
- **Seminar researchers- developers - managers:** “Decision-Aid in Agriculture : which type of research and how to better use it in extension”

**Friday September 3rd: Master Classes and Specific Workshops for young scientists and students** (especially from developing countries) to help them to manage their scientific

project and their integration into international networks. Master courses will be given by key-notes speakers during these workshops.

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