



30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the  
Austrian Society of Agricultural Economics

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### “European Green Deal” – Relevance for Agriculture and Rural Areas

September 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

at the University of Natural Resources  
and Life Sciences (BOKU), Vienna



### European Green Deal – Relevance for Agriculture and Rural Areas

The central goal of the "European Green Deal" proposed by the European Commission in December 2019 is to accomplish climate neutrality for Europe by 2050. In order to achieve this goal, the European Commission is proposing a comprehensive, staggered package of measures. Investments in green technologies and the development of sustainable concepts offer new opportunities for companies and form the basis for Europe's new growth strategy. The European Green Deal concerns all economic sectors. Its design and financing is therefore a major challenge for rural areas and the agriculture and food industry. To foster sustainability, new strategies to complement existing programs are required. These strategies relate in particular to climate protection, biodiversity, and food supply. Sustainable concepts such as the circular economy or the introduction and implementation of social innovations are of major importance.

The general topic of the 30<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Austrian Society for Agricultural Economics (ÖGA) is dedicated to the European Green Deal and its importance for agriculture and rural areas. The keynote speakers of the conference highlight the general topic of the conference. The research and poster forums as well as the workshops of the conference are independent of the general topic.

This call addresses scholars particularly from the field of rural studies, rural sociology, agricultural economics, agricultural policy, agrarian geography, rural history, agricultural law to submit and present their current research results. The conference provides especially for early career researchers the opportunity to present their research to an international audience. Representatives of administration, policy, agricultural extension services and research are invited to organise workshops in order to extensively discuss questions of practical or scientific relevance with experts and stakeholders.

Submissions of short papers (two pages) or workshop outlines (one page) are welcome by 19<sup>th</sup> April 2020 in German or English (for templates see: <http://oega.boku.ac.at>).

## 1. Conference schedule

Thursday, 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	
Morning	Plenary session on the conference topic
Noon	Lunch
Afternoon	Parallel paper, poster and workshops sessions
Evening	Evening reception and ceremony of the ÖGA award
Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	
Morning	Parallel paper, poster and workshops sessions
Afternoon	Field trip

## 2. Research sessions and workshops

The topics of the submitted short papers and also of the workshops can be dedicated to the European Green Deal or any other topic related to agricultural economics, rural areas as well as rural society (e.g. organic farming, renewable energy, gender issues).

Workshop organizers have the opportunity to organize a 90-minute session. All formats are welcome that bring the workshop topic closer to the participants and stimulate a constructive discussion.

## 3. Review process and publication of contributions

The programme committee will review the short papers and workshop outlines submitted for the ÖGA conference (templates: <http://oega.boku.ac.at>). The authors of the accepted submissions will be invited to give a paper presentation, a poster presentation or to organise a workshop at the conference. Accepted short papers and workshop outlines will be published in the conference proceedings. In addition, full manuscripts (max. 4,000 words) can be submitted to the peer-reviewed Austrian Journal of Agricultural Economics and Rural Studies by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020 (see <http://oega.boku.ac.at> for the template). The manuscripts should be submitted to [oega\\_journal@boku.ac.at](mailto:oega_journal@boku.ac.at).

## 4. Conference languages and Best Presentation Award

Presentations of the plenary sessions are given in German or English. Short papers and workshop outlines are welcome in German or English. Depending on the number of submitted papers, at least one of the contributed paper sessions throughout the conference will be held in English. Speakers are requested to use the same language as in the short paper or workshop outline. The audience will vote on the best presentations, which will be awarded the *Best Presentation Award*.

## 5. Conference fee and registration

Conference participants are asked to register by **31<sup>st</sup> August 2020** (registration form: <http://oega.boku.ac.at>). The conference fee of **€ 100** has to be paid by bank transfer to the ÖGA's bank account (IBAN: AT81 1200 0251 1113 6100; BIC: BKAUATWW) by **31<sup>st</sup> August 2020**. The fee includes participation, lunch and refreshment breaks as well as the evening reception on Thursday, however it does *not* include costs for accommodation and the field trip.

## 6. Important dates 2020

Date	Description
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Deadline for submitting <b>short papers</b> and <b>workshop outlines</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Notification of acceptance of submissions
31 <sup>st</sup> August	Deadline for registration Deadline for transferring the conference fee of € 100
17 <sup>th</sup> –18 <sup>th</sup> September	ÖGA Annual Conference at the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences
31 <sup>st</sup> October	Deadline for submitting <b>manuscripts</b> to the Austrian Journal of Agricultural Economics and Rural Studies

## 7. Organising committee

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