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What we want from Agricultural Engineers?

- Find out on 6 November 2024 at Rothamsted Conference Centre

This year's prestigious Institution of Agricultural Engineers Conference delves into the crucial question: How is the world going to design products and create technologies to meet the challenges demanded by the food chain?

"To answer this question, we have assembled stakeholders from across the food chain to present the challenges they are facing and ask what do they need from agricultural engineers," said Dr Mark Moore, Director of Government Affairs at AGCO, IAgrE President and the conference convenor.

"This year our conference will break the mould by not tackling a technical subject. As agricultural engineers we are happy talking within our own community and are very aware of the challenges the agricultural industry faces but we have to start talking to people outside our sector to ensure a joined-up approach to the issues the world faces.

If you have the slightest interest in this critical topic this is your opportunity to understand and most importantly, influence what we should be thinking about and focusing on for the future," added Dr Moore.

Representatives will present their requirements from UK and EU policy, food processing and retail, and livestock and crop production. Finally, a farmer that uses technology will present the challenges farmers face when integrating technology into their businesses, so they can achieve the things politicians, the food chain, and consumers are asking for.

It is time to wake up and be a part of the debate. Come along and join us on 6th November have your say and become involved in future food strategies that can influence the changes that farming is going through.

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Speakers are:

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Kate Halliwell: Chief Scientific Officer, Food & Drink Federation will highlight the challenges.

Jelte Wiersma: Secretary General, CEMA (European Agricultural Machinery Association) will provide what the policymakers want from agricultural engineering

Jake Pickering: Senior Agricultural Manager Waitrose & Partners will give the food retailers perspective on what they want from agricultural engineering.

Kieran Walsh: Agronomist, Grounded Advice will look at what agronomic service providers need from agricultural engineering.

Claire Morgan-Davies: Livestock Scientist SRUC will explain what agricultural engineers can do for livestock husbandry.

James Price: Perdiswell Farm, Oxfordshire will give a regenerative farmer's view and will outline the farmers' requirements.



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IAgrE is the professional body for scientists, technologists, engineers, academics, managers and students working in the land-based sector and has an international membership base.

As a licensed body of the Engineering Council (EngC) and a founding Constituent Body of The Society for the Environment (SocEnv), IAgrE registers suitably experienced professionals as Chartered Engineer (CEng), Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv), Incorporated Engineer (IEng), Registered Environmental Practitioner (REnvP) and Engineering Technician (Eng Tech).

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Isaac Harper receiving his book as a young handler at the Cockermouth agricultural show.

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