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Welcome Message

Dear International Precision Agriculture and Remote Sensing Community:

It is a pleasure to announce the 2010 Sino-U.S. International Workshop on Intelligent Equipment for Precision Agriculture and Airborne Remote Sensing and Measurement for Agriculture to be held at the USDA-ARS Southern Plains Agricultural Research Center (SPARC), College Station, Texas, USA from December 2-9, 2010.

We welcome you to this Sino-US Workshop at College Station, where the USDA-ARS SPARC and Texas A&M University are located. Texas A&M University is the seventh-largest university with one of the largest main campuses in the U.S., and is also the site of the George Bush Presidential Library.

Traditional agriculture is advancing to modern and intelligent agriculture with the development of science and technology and social progress. Information technology plays a key role in this conversion, dealing with less controllability and stability because of regionality, seasonality and variability. Precision agriculture as a trend featured with digital, visual, networked and intelligent agriculture is growing, as is the precision agricultural community across the world.

The 2010 Sino-U.S. International Workshop on Intelligent Equipment for Precision Agriculture and Airborne Remote Sensing and Measurement for Agriculture is envisaged to be a scholarly and professional symposium, with about 60 attendees from China and the U.S. Over a dozen experts and professors will be invited to present as key speakers. This workshop will provide a forum for presentations on the current state of intelligent equipment for precision agriculture research and applications, application of remote sensing and information technologies in The conference will facilitate interactions agriculture. among research scientists, producers, technology company representatives, equipment manufacturers, input dealers, agronomic consultants, software developers, educators, and government personnel.

During the workshop, an evening session will be held to seek for the possibility of building bilateral ties for future exchange and cooperation between Chinese and U.S. scientists and institutions.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Sino-U.S. workshop on Intelligent Equipment for Precision Agriculture and Remote Sensing and Measurement Technology in College Station, Texas, USA.

Sincerely yours,

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Dr. Yubin Lan, Agricultural Engineer, USDA-ARS-SPARC-APMRU

Chair of the 2010 Sino-US International Workshop on Intelligent Equipment for Precision Agriculture and Airborne Remote Sensing and Measurement for Agriculture

Call for Abstracts and Papers

Abstracts for the 2010 Sino-US International Workshop on Intelligent Equipment for Precision Agriculture and Airborne Remote Sensing and Measurement for Agriculture may be submitted online to the email at ijabecohost@gmail.com before the deadlines, September 28, 2010 for abstract submission, and before November 20, 2010 for full papers. Abstracts are limited to no more than 500 words. Abstracts will be reviewed for suitability based on scientific content, writing and clarity. Abstracts meeting these criteria will be accepted for presentation as either oral or poster presentations at the Workshop.

Authors of accepted abstracts will be entitled to present their research at the Workshop after payment of registration fees. They will also be entitled to submit full papers (more details later) to the IJABE (http://www.ijabe.org) in December, 2010. Full papers submitted to this Workshop will be published in IJABE if meeting the criteria of IJABE through peer review.

Main Topics

Intelligent Equipments for Precision Agriculture Airborne Remote Sensing (manned and unmanned) Ground-based Remote Sensing VRT (Variable Rate Technology) and Variable-rate application Aerial application technology for crop production and protection Spraying droplet measurements and DRT (Drift Reduction Techniques) Electronic nose and VOC (Volatile Organic Compound) analyzer Modeling, Geo-statistics, Geodata and software Sensor Application in Managing In-season Crop Variability Spatial Variability in Crop, Soil and Natural Resources Remote Sensing Applications in Precision Agriculture Engineering Technologies and Advances Emerging Issues in Precision Agriculture (Energy, Biofuels, Climate Change) Guidance, Auto Steer, and GPS Systems Global Proliferation of Precision Agriculture and its Applications

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