

Regarding application to EurAgEng for co-sponsorship of a conference seminar or other type of meeting.

1) **Meeting details** including call for papers. Please remember to send EurAgEng details of the call for papers and other information as these become available so that we can publicise these details via our Newsletter, e-Updates and website.

2) **CABI (www.cabi.org)** : As Secretary General of EurAgEng I am trying to encourage meeting organisers to offer the publications from European agricultural engineering events to CABI to be put on the CABI on-line database for abstracts and full text papers. There are several reasons for this. a) it ensures that as many agricultural engineering papers as possible are abstracted so that colleagues around the world are aware of the work; b) that all the papers are held on the same database for easier access and c) the CABI database is expected to last indefinitely so on-line access to the abstracts and full papers won't be lost. This service is free-of-charge. We have already done this for AgEng2008 and for a recent Agricultural Engineering conference for Central and Eastern European and it is being planned for AgEng2010.

If you are willing to do this please, once the proceedings have been produced at the time of the Congress, complete the relevant form (included at the end of this note) and send, by post, the completed form and a CD of the complete Congress Proceedings (the same as the printed copy) to:

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2) **Carbon Neutral** or other environmental friendly indication for agricultural/biosystems engineering conferences, seminars and other types of meeting.

EurAgEng has noticed that some conferences are "carbon neutral" and we feel that this is something that agricultural/biosystems engineers should consider as a way of showing that they are involved with, and care about, the environment including Climate Change. We appreciate that being fully Carbon Neutral may be too difficult to achieve but perhaps it could be discussed by the Organising Committee.

I have noticed the following wording on details for some other meetings. *“All printed documentation, Congress bags, lanyards and badges were sourced from recycled materials and are reused wherever possible. The organisers are now working with The CarbonNeutral Company to off-set all remaining carbon emissions through investment in certified renewable energy projects in the EU and globally”.*

The CarbonNeutral Company website is at

<http://www.carbonneutral.com/pages/carbonoffset.asp>.

I have also found these pages which are helpful to explain some of the details

http://www.davidsuzuki.org/Climate_Change/What_You_Can_Do/carbon_neutral_events.asp. I

am sure that other similar organisations exist and that there is probably one local to you.

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