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Member Notices & Opportunities:

NAEGA Recruiting Next President & CEO

The Board of Directors is seeking candidates for the next NAEGA President & CEO. The application deadline is March 21st. Please contact NAEGA Board of Directors Chairman John Griffith at John.Griffith@chsinc.com for more information.



NAEGA's 2023 Annual Meetings March 20-22

Registration is now closed. If you would like to attend and have not registered, please reach out to Patrick Hayden as soon as possible.

All NAEGA member and associate member personnel and their guests are welcome to attend in person or virtually the NAEGA Annual Meetings on March 20-22, 2023. We will convene the meetings in person at the [La Quinta Resort & Club](#) in La Quinta, California, near Palm Springs, and virtually via MS Teams.

There is no cost for NAEGA member and associate member personnel and their guests to attend the NAEGA meetings.

Preceded by Committee meetings on March 20-22, the Members' meeting on March 22 will include a working Lunch for all member and associate member personnel and guests attending in person. The Schedule of Events is as follows:

Monday, March 20

9am-5pm	NAEGA Contract Revision Sub-Committee Meeting <i>Open to personnel from all NAEGA Members and Associate Members</i>	Las Brisas Room
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Tuesday, March 21

12:30-3:00pm	NAEGA-NGFA Joint Grades Committee Meeting <i>Open to personnel from all NAEGA Members, Associate Members and their Guests</i>	Frank Capra Room
3:15-5:30pm	NAEGA Contracts Committee Meeting <i>Open to personnel from all NAEGA Members, Associate Members and their Guests</i>	Frank Capra Room

Wednesday, March 22

7:15-9:15am	NAEGA-NGFA Joint Production Technology/Crop Technology Committee Meeting <i>Open to personnel from all NAEGA Members, Associate Members and their Guests</i>	Diego Rivera Room
12:00-1:30pm	NAEGA Members Lunch and Annual Member Meeting <i>Open to personnel from all NAEGA Members, Associate Members and their Guests</i>	Frank Capra Room
1:30-3:30pm	Board of Directors Meeting <i>Open to personnel from all NAEGA Members, Associate Members and their Guests</i>	Frank Capra Room
3:30-5:00pm	Board of Directors Meets in Closed Session <i>Board of Directors Only</i>	Grgich Room

All events will be alongside the [2023 NGFA Convention](#) on March 21-23 at the La Quinta Resort and Club.

Please contact us if you have questions or suggestions. Detailed agendas and relevant materials, including MS Teams meeting coordinate for those attending virtually, will be circulated soon.

We are looking forward to working with you from La Quinta!

USDA/FAS ESRMS 2.1

On March 23, 2023, the USDA/FAS Export Sales Reporting is conducting the last scheduled virtual training and testing of the new mandatory Export Sales Reporting and Maintenance System 2.1 (ESRMS 2.1). The session will include a brief demonstration of the current ESRMS 2.1 design and facilitate a discussion about the best ways to upload exporter data into ESRMS 2.1. Questions are welcome including those on the ESRMS 2.1 structure and how it may or may not work with existing data management system(s).

FAS requests that companies that will use ESRMS 2.1 ask their respective data-entry personnel and IT teams to attend at least one virtual Additional virtual training sessions may occur later this year.

Registration information and recordings of the previous sessions can be found here: <https://apps.fas.usda.gov/esrms/media/index.html>.

Production Technology Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 15

The NAEGA Production Technology Committee will meet via MS Teams on Wednesday, March 15 at 1pm Eastern/12pm Central/10am Pacific time. Discussion topics will include the Plant Biotechnology Information Exchange, Mexico and GMO corn, pesticide residue MRLs and the Board Report the Committee will present on March 22. If you are not a member of the Committee and would like to take part in the meeting, or would like more information about the Committee's work, please contact Gary or Patrick.

IGTC Africa Grains Weeks – May 6-17, 2023

NAEGA member and associate member personnel are welcome to attend [Africa Grains Weeks Programs](#) from May 6-17 in Kenya (Nairobi) and South Africa (Pretoria, Johannesburg, and Bothaville). The International Grain Trade Coalition (IGTC) is coordinating business events and educational tours in both countries, with assistance of the Eastern Africa Grains Council (EAGC) and the South Africa Cereals and Oilseeds Trade Association (SACOTA).

Complete information, including registration information, the itinerary of planned activities and cost to attend, can be found [here](#).

The NAEGA Trade & Food Security Library is Now Available to Download as an App!

NAEGA members can now access the [NAEGA Trade and Global Food Security Library](#) via a progressive web app for both Android and Apple mobile devices. [Instructions on installing the app and connecting to your account can be found here](#).

The Library is constantly being updated with reports on initiatives related to food systems, trade, and global food security as well as outcomes from the UNFSS. Recent entries include the report from the WTO on the global trade impact of the Russian invasion of Ukraine and updates on the Black Sea Grain initiative.

If you need login credentials or are having any trouble using the app, please let Patrick know.

Upcoming Actions:

Rome, Italy – March 27-31, 2023

Mariya-Khrystyna Koziy, NAEGA Geneva Envoy will travel to Rome, Italy from March 26-April 1, 2023. The primary purpose of the trip is to take part in meetings surrounding the 17th Session of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures of the International Plant Protection Convention (CPM-17), including the planned meeting of the ePhyto Industry Advisory Group. Other meetings with representatives from the U.N Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Food Program are being scheduled.

NAEGA member personnel who may be attending these events, or who will be in Rome, are invited to connect with Mariya during her travel.

News:

Egypt to Withdraw from Grains Trade Convention

Egypt has apparently given notice that it intends to withdraw from the [Grains Trade Convention](#), as administered by the [International Grains Council \(IGC\)](#).

Information Services:

Plant Biotechnology Information Exchange (PBIE)

There are currently 2771 transgenic products from approximately 415 unique transgenic events and 498 gene edited products in the [NAEGA PBIE](#).

Developed by and at the request of membership, the PBIE contains detailed information on commercialized and pre-commercialized gene-edited and transgenic seeds used to produce the crops you use and market. Currently, only NAEGA members have access to this unique tool. As part of membership, your company is allowed up to five unique users for the PBIE at no cost. To gain access NAEGA Member representatives send the names and email addresses of designated company users to Patrick at phayden@naega.org. Each designated person is provided unique login information and instructions on the use of the platform. Please let us know if you have any questions!

U.S.-Canada Grain Trade Website

Your comments and advice are welcome in response to the U.S.-Canada Grain Trade Resources website: <https://uscanadagrainsite.org/>. The public website is intended to facilitate trade between Canada and the U.S. and inform future NAEGA actions. The site contains regularly updated question-and-answer modules for [American](#) and [Canadian](#) grain producers, as well as the [commercial grain trade](#). Users are encouraged to review the modules and submit additional questions, which may be included in future updates.

Calendar & Member Notices:

[Click here](#) for a copy of the IGTC Calendar

2023

March

15 – NAEGA Production Technology Committee Meeting

20-22 – NAEGA Annual Meetings - La Quinta, California

21-23 – NGFA 2023 Convention - La Quinta, California

27-31 – 17th Session of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM-17) – Rome, Italy

31 – ePhyto Industry Advisory Group of the International Plant Protection Convention Meeting– Rome, Italy

May

9-17 – IGTC Africa Grains Weeks – Kenya and South Africa

15-17 – DBTG Operational & Technical Conference – Tampa, Florida

June

13-14 - IGC Grains Conference – London, UK

14-16 – APPAMEX-NAEGA Forum – Cancun, MX

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