

# Call for abstracts to Nordic Meeting on Agricultural Occupational Health and Safety 2021

The Scientific Committee is pleased to invite you to submit abstracts for consideration to the Nordic Meeting on Agricultural Occupational Health and Safety 2021. We invite abstracts for oral or poster presentations. The deadline for abstract submission is *June 15, 2021*. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the conference will be conducted as a hybrid event, both face-to-face and online.

Work in agriculture is dangerous and vulnerable, and farmers and agricultural workers are at high risk of injuries and occupational diseases. Farming is usually a lonely business, and farmers have little control over their surroundings, which are largely influenced by technological and structural changes, market forces, agricultural policy or weather. At the same time, farmers perform one of the most important jobs in the world producing the food that we eat every day. Research, education, and prevention can help to improve the farmers daily lives, increase their safety and reduce the incidence of occupational diseases and injuries.

We invite contributions from educators, researchers and practitioners addressing the themes of work, health and safety in agriculture. In particular, we invite presentations that are relevant for the Nordic context.

The main language of the conference is English, but some contributions in Scandinavian language may occur.

We invite you to submit an abstract in the following topics:

## **ORGANIZATION AND LEADERSHIP**

- Social regulations, laws and policies
- Advisory services, HSE regulations and authorities
- Impact of structural and technological changes and policies
- Psychosocial factors as determinants for health and safety

## **MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**

- Stressors
- Clinical features
- Prevention
- Health promotion
- Rehabilitation and working ability

## **FARM WORKERS AND MIGRANT WORKERS**

- Organization and demography
- Social factors and rights
- Training in HSE, competence and language
- Health and safety for migrant workers

## **WORKING ENVIRONMENT**

- Dust exposure (chemical and microbiological)
- Ergonomic challenges
- Psychosocial factors
- Noise and vibrations
- Zoonoses and One Health

## **ACCIDENTS**

- Causation
- Understanding
- Risk assessment
- Prevention
- Epidemiology

## **OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES**

- Respiratory health
- Skin diseases
- Cancer
- Musculoskeletal disorders
- Prevention and health promotion
- Epidemiology
- Rehabilitation and working ability

### The submission should include:

- Name(s), affiliation and email address
- Title
- Key words (maximum five)
- Indicate poster or podium presentation, and face-to-face or digital
- Abstracts should be between 200 and 400 words, and 1.5 spaced lines
- Use 12 Times New Roman font
- Abstracts must be submitted in English
- Submit the abstract to: [abstract@ruralis.no](mailto:abstract@ruralis.no)

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