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## •• Workshop Proposals for the 2020 Guelph Organic Conference ••

✉ FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2019

### How to submit your proposal:

- Visit the Workshop Proposals page at [www.guelphorganicconf.ca](http://www.guelphorganicconf.ca) and submit via the online form or...
- Submit the following information via email to both the Conference Manager & Communications – [organix@auracom.com](mailto:organix@auracom.com) + [communications@guelphorganicconf.ca](mailto:communications@guelphorganicconf.ca)

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Please include the following information in your proposal...

### 1. Your Contact Information

- First & Last Name, Title, Email, Phone & Cell Phone
- Business/Organization Name
- Mailing Address

*If you are suggesting more than one speaker, list all suggested speakers & their contact information. For each speaker indicate whether they are aware of the proposal and/or are confirmed. \*Please note we accept a limited number of multi-speaker proposals.*

2. Online Profile Gathered so that in the event your proposal is accepted, the Communications Coordinator has this information to assist with promotion. For each speaker please provide a 5-8 sentence biography + info on speaker websites, active social media accounts and / or online article links.

3. Speaking Experience – Experienced or new to speaking? (We encourage speakers of all experience levels to apply.)

4. Organic Experience – Please comment on the speakers experience level related to organics.

5. Title of workshop (or give a choice of 2 or 3 titles) - keep it simple, creative, interesting...

6. Theme – Indicate which of these themes your workshop relates to:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Organic Crop Production – Large Scale (more than 100 acres) | <input type="checkbox"/> New and/or Unique Crops      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organic Crop Production – Small Scale / Market Garden       | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Agriculture            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organic Livestock Production                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Organic Gardening            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resilient Agriculture / Climate Change                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Permaculture                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Biodynamics                  |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Women in Organic Agriculture |

7. Duration of program – 1 hour, 1 to 1.5 hours, 3 hours?

8. Difficulty/challenge level - Beginner, Intermediate or Advanced? (or can be adjusted to different levels)

9. Description *\*If accepted, the information provided will be used for online promotion of the workshop.*

- 1-3 paragraphs of overview, as well as
- 5-8 points that will be covered in your workshop

10. Photos – Can you provide 3-5 photos related to the workshop as well as a speaker headshot(s)? Yes or No

11. Other comments - Why your proposed workshop is necessary, significant, important, revolutionary, a new focus, or that it will generate new interest at the conference. Proposals must be short/clear vs. vague or rambling.

12. Final note We seek transparency, so we won't run workshops which directly promote your products, businesses, specific equipment or belief systems, without offering opposing or other views. If the Guelph Conference Committee likes your idea but feels it is too specific to your personal business enterprise, we may counter-propose a panel containing you + differing speakers.

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The workshop proposal process is competitive. Each year, the conference receives more proposals than it can accept. In submitting a proposal you also agree, that if accepted, to adhere to various deadlines & requirements as a speaker.

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**Questions? You are welcome to reach out to the above email addresses and/or call Tomas, Conference Manager at 705-444-0923 to discuss your ideas.**