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Press Registration for 2019 World Food Prize Week Events is Now Open

Des Moines, Iowa (August 15, 2019)- Press registration for the 2019 World Food Prize Week of Events held Oct. 14-18 in Des Moines, Iowa, is now open.

The three-day conference brings together over 1,200 people from more than 65 countries and has been called "the premier conference in the world on global agriculture." This year at the Borlaug Dialogue International Symposium, an incredible array of scientific experts, policy leaders, business executives and farmers will come together to discuss and address critical issues facing our world's food security.

The theme for this year's symposium, "*Pax Agricultura: Peace Through Agriculture*," will address the increasingly intersectional issues of food security, conflict, and development. With topics ranging from religion, diplomacy, climate, scientific innovation and corporate leadership, this year's Dialogue will serve as an opportunity to take stock of the current state of global agriculture and food security.

- Members of the media can apply for press credentials at www.worldfoodprize.org/pressregistration.
- The full agenda and speaker list can be found at www.worldfoodprize.org/dialogue.
- Many sessions of the event will also be webcast live from www.worldfoodprize.org/live.

Event organizers cannot guarantee entry to media that have not registered ahead of time. Verified members of the press will need to produce a valid press badge onsite in order to collect their credentials for access to any events during the World Food Prize Week of Events.

The 2019 World Food Prize week of events consists of the Iowa Hunger Summit, the Borlaug Dialogue, the Laureate Award Ceremony and the Global Youth Institute. Press should indicate on the registration form which events they are interested in covering.

Bloggers, student journalists, communications staff and social media teams are invited to register in advance to become media partners during the World Food Prize Week of Events, granting them event access similar to accredited press.

Contact nbarreca@worldfoodprize.org for application details after August 15, 2019. Note that places are limited, and for event security purposes, event organizers cannot guarantee entry to non-press media personnel that have not registered ahead of time; they may be required to wait for credentials to be issued and may not be able to be accommodated.

Media partner registration will close on October 4, 2019. After that date we cannot accept any other applications. Media partners will not have the opportunity to attend the Laureate Award Ceremony.

Highlighted speakers for the year include:

- **Ms. Jessica Adelman**, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer, The Kroger Co.
- **Prof. Noble Banadda**, Professor, Chair of the Department of Agricultural and BioSystems Engineering, Makerere University
- **Hon. William Brownfield**, Senior Fellow, CSIS
- **Mr. James C. Collins**, CEO, Corteva Agriscience

- **Mr. Liam Condon**, President, CropScience Division, Bayer AG
- **Ms. Marie Haga**, Executive Director, Global Crop Diversity Trust
- **H.E. Agnes Kalibata**, President, AGRA
- **Hon. Kristie A. Kenney**, Adjunct Professor, Georgetown University
- **Ms. Heidi Kuhn**, CEO, Roots of Peace
- **Dr. Rattan Lal**, Distinguished University Professor of Soil Science, Ohio State University
- **Ms. Sara Menker**, CEO, Gro Intelligence
- **Hon. George Moose**, Vice Chairman of the Board, USIP
- **Hon. Gerardine Mukeshimana**, Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda
- **Hon. John Negroponte**, Vice Chairman, McLarty Associates
- **Dr. Chris Nelson**, President & CEO, Kemin Industries
- **Hon. Nancy Powell**, Formerly Department of State
- **Dr. Timothy D. Sands**, President, Virginia Tech
- **Hon. Josette Sheeran**, President & CEO, Asia Society
- **Dr. Gunhild Stordalen**, Founder & Executive Chair, EAT
- **H.E. Chanthol Sun**, Minister of Public Works and Transport, Cambodia
- **Dr. Joachim Von Braun**, Director, The Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn
- **Mr. Rodger Voorhies**, Executive Director, Global Growth and Opportunity, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- **Mr. Robert Zoellick**, Senior Counselor, Brunswick Geopolitical

Discussion topics and highlights of the program will include:

- Tracking the trend lines of peace and conflict
- The growing agriculture technology startup industry
- The power of private sector actors for global food security
- Agriculture in post-conflict recovery
- Innovations for the global food system
- Climate-smart practices for agricultural production

ABOUT THE WORLD FOOD PRIZE: The World Food Prize is the foremost international award recognizing the achievements of individuals who have advanced human development by improving the quality, quantity or availability of food in the world. The Prize was founded in 1986 by Dr. Norman E. Borlaug, recipient of the 1970 Nobel Peace Prize. Since then, the World Food Prize has honored 49 outstanding individuals who have made vital contributions throughout the world. The World Food Prize annually hosts the Borlaug Dialogue international symposium and a variety of youth education programs to help further the discussion on cutting-edge global food security issues and inspire the next generation to end hunger.

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