***S-1041 Multistate Committee***

***Annual Meeting and Symposium***

**July 10 – 11, 2017**

**Hosted by USDA/NIFA**

**National Institute of Food and Agriculture**

**Washington D.C.**

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Dear S-1041 Members,

Greetings:

We are glad to inform you all that we are looking forward to a great program this year in Washington D.C. Here are some of the details regarding the meeting this year. We will be sending you updates in coming weeks and hope we have a great participation.

1. **Date and Time:** The 2017 S-1041 multistate committee meeting will be held on 10 and 11th August, 2107 at National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Washington, D.C.
2. **Registration Details:**

* ***All Non-US Citizens are required to bring their Passports as ID proof.***
* A registration fee of $100 for all participating members payable by cheque. Registration will include lunch and tea/coffee for the two days of the conference and publication costs. All registrants will be provided with a copy of the proceedings.
* Pass on checks to Troy Runge on the first day of the conference. In all cases, you need to inform Ganti Murthy and/or Troy Runge if you are coming so that all necessary permissions can be obtained in advance.

1. **Hotels**:

*There are no hotels that are close to the USDA NIFA building in DC. We are not arranging any hotels reservations this year as the D.C. Area is well connected and has many hotels.*

1. Please note that the DOE’s Bioeconomy 2017 conference will be held on July 11-12, 2017. This meeting will start on the Tuesday afternoon (11th, July) and it is hoped that S1041 members can take advantage of this back to back conferences at USDA and DOE.

Web page for U.S. DOE Bioeconomy 2017 Conference: <https://energy.gov/eere/bioenergy/bioeconomy-2017-domestic-resources-vibrant-future>

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**Monday, July 10th (Day One):**  **Symposium on “TBD”**

1. 7:30 am-8:00 am: Sign-In, Reception. Coffee/Tea/Breakfast.
2. 7:45 am-8:00 am: Poster set up
3. 8:00 am -8:05 am: Welcome and introduction
4. 8:05 am -8:15 am: Opening remarks by HOST
5. 8:15 am -8:20 am: Welcome and opening remarks by S-1041 liaison and USDA, National Institute of Food and Agriculture representative
6. 8:25 am -8:50 am: Introduction of attendees
7. 8:50 am-9:45 am: Station reports (3 minutes for each station)
8. 9:45 am-11:00 am: Poster Session I and graduate student poster presentation competition
9. 11:00 am -12:00 pm: Business Meeting
   1. Old Business
      1. Approval/Additions of 2017 Meeting Agenda: Troy Runge
      2. Approval of 2016 meeting minutes: Troy Runge
   2. New Business
      1. Election of officers: Secretary/Vice Chair
      2. Symposium topic for 2018
      3. Discussion of rewrite in 2018 and planning for next day meeting.
      4. Other additional items for discussion
10. 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: Lunch
11. 1:00 pm -5:00pm Symposium on “TBD”

**Tuesday, July 11th (Day Two):**  **Facilitated discussion on S1041 Rewrite**

1. 8:30 am *Sign-In, Reception, Coffee*/*Pastries*
2. 8:50 am Introductory Remarks by Scott Pryor/Troy Runge
3. 9:00 am Facilitated discussion on S10141 committee 2018 Rewrite.
4. 12:00 pm Closing Remarks and Meeting Adjournment