The University of Bari (Italy) will host the International Conference on LCA in the Agri-Food sector, from 22 to 24 September 2010. This is the seventh in a series including Brussels (1996, 1998), Gothenburg, (2001, 2007), Horsens (2003), Zurich (2008).

The Scientific and the Organising Committees of the LCA Food 2010 warmly invite scholars and practitioners to submit their papers and join this scientific event hosted in the beautiful setting of the Mediterranean sea.

**Objectives and Scope**

The objectives of the conference are:

- to show the recent developments in the methodology, approaches, databases and tools
- to present applications of the LCA methodology to food product systems and to food consumption patterns
- to increase the use of LCA and other industrial ecology tools in agricultural and industrial food products
- to support information sharing and exchange of experience regarding environmental conscious decision making in the agri-food chain
- to provide background for the sustainability of the agri-food sector

The Conference welcomes inter-disciplinary contributions concerning a broad range of discussion topics that are of interest for the theory and practice of LCA in the agri-food sector, such as:

- Specific aspects of the Agri-Food Industry – treatment in LCA (LCA of artificial and natural food ingredients, Food processing and waste treatment, Aquaculture LCAs, Related sectors: biofuels and bioplastics, Case studies)
- Agri-food System analysis and LCA modelling (Specific impact categories of the primary sector (land use, water use, biodiversity etc.); Homogenization of databases and Life cycle inventory - pesticides dispersion models etc.)
- Meso-level food-related LCAs (LCA applied to diets or lifestyles (Mediterranean diet, low-income diets); Connecting LCA and govt.-sponsored healthy-eating recommendations (e.g. balanced-diet mixes); IO-LCAs in the agri-food area)
- LCA and sustainable food systems (Eco-Labelling and communication (incl. footprinting); Economic and Societal assessment in LCA; LCA and food policy/corporate strategy; Case studies)

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Submission process

*January 15th, 2010:* Abstract submission
*February 15th, 2010:* Notification of acceptance as oral or poster presentation
*April 15th, 2010:* Submission deadline for the full papers (6 pages)
*May 30th, 2010:* Notification of the review reports to the author(s)
*July 5th, 2010:* Submission deadline for the revised full papers
*May 30th, 2010:* Deadline for early bid registration

The papers accepted as both platform and poster presentations will be published in the printed book of proceedings. The book will be given an ISBN. Moreover, a maximum of 10 selected papers will be published on a special issue of a refereed Journal. The abstracts and papers must be prepared as a Microsoft Word document according to the author guidelines (http://www.lcafood2010.uniba.it/) and submitted as an e-mail attachment to the Conference Organising Committee (lcafood2010@uniba.it).

Conference Venue and Accommodation

The Conference will take place at the following address:

Università degli Studi di Bari
Palazzo Ateneo
Salone degli Affreschi
Piazza Umberto I, Bari – Italy

Bari can be easily reached by plane from the main European and Italian airports. The participants will be able to book their accommodation among a selection of recommended hotels at walking distance from the conference venue, in the City centre of Bari.

Conference fees and participant’s package

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The fee includes:
- Conference attendance (all sessions)
- Coffee breaks and light lunches.
- One personal printed copy of the Conference Book of Proceedings
- Social activities: visit to Castel del Monte www.casteldelmonte.beniculturali.it and then to a famous Vineyard (to be booked in advance).

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