

30 April - 4 May • 2023



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## Advancing science in support of sustainable bio-innovation

Delegates from 22 countries have already registered!



**Date:** 30 April - 4 May 2023

**Location:** St Louis, Missouri, USA



Don't miss this unique and timely opportunity to re-connect with your professional network after the isolation of the last few years!

### Keynote Speakers





Dr. Joe Cornelius  
(CEO, Gates Ag One)



Prof. Jeantine Lunshof  
(Harvard Wyss Institute)



Prof. Joseph Jez  
(Washington University)



Dr. Gerardine Mukeshimana  
(MINAGRI, Rwanda)



Dr. Andrew Newhouse  
(State University of New York)

## The symposium will comprise

**19** plenary sessions, with **16**  
parallel sessions consisting of **76**  
speakers and more than **100**  
presentations.

Poster sessions and selected  
Pecha Kucha presentations will  
also form an integrated part of  
the program.

## Register here:



<https://isbr.info/symposium-registration>

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## News Update January 2023

- **Register now - plan your travel now**
- **Deadlines**
- **Program, Side events**
- **Sponsorship**
- **Photo Competition**
- **Useful Links**

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*We hope you've had a great start to 2023. ISBR2023 is now only three months away! We are looking forward to seeing you in St Louis in April and participating in the outstanding scientific program, complemented by numerous networking and social opportunities, that has been put together for this first in-person symposium in several years.*

**Register Now and Book Your Travel Soon**

Be part of this major, in-person symposium on biosafety and sustainable bio-innovation. Showcase your work and engage with the thought leaders in the field. International travel is now open but be aware that there are **currently very long processing times for USA visa applications** from some countries.: Therefore, we encourage you to ensure your passports are valid, get your visa issued, book your flights, [register](#) and [book your accommodation](#) at the special discounted rates for ISBR delegates ASAP.

**Early bird registration closes on 11 March, so act now to secure your place at ISBR2023 to avoid disappointment!**

## REGISTER NOW!

[For detailed information please click here](#)

### Workshop Expression of Interest, Tuesday 2nd may 2023

To assist the organisers with venue allocations, please indicate which workshop you are most likely to attend on this afternoon.

- Workshop I: Genome editing: Global policy experience and what the future may hold
- Workshop II: Harmonization of global data requirements: a modernized approach to GM Crop Risk Assessment
- Workshop III: Support tools for meeting the risk analysis challenges of persistent engineered genetic traits
- Workshop IV: Safety Assessment of Potato with 3 R Genes for Late Blight Resistance: A Global Perspective

For full details and making your choice, please visit the [website](#).

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### Deadlines - Important dates to diarise

	Opening Date	Closing Date
Abstract submission	closed	
Plenary, topic-specific parallel session & workshop presenters	Register by 31 January 2023	
Open call oral and poster presenters	Register by 17 February 2023	
Early Bird Registration	1 July 2022	11 March 2023
Regular Registration	12 March 2023	29 April 2023
Onsite Registration	30 April 2023	4 May 2023
ISBR Photo Contest	29 June 2022	10 March 2023

[For detailed information please click here](#)

### ABSTC-ISBR Scholarship Award Awardees' Video

The Agriculture Biotechnology Stewardship Technical Committee (ABSTC), in collaboration with the ISBR, is sponsoring student scholarships for ISBR2023. The scholarships cover conference registration and reimbursement of travel expenses.

**Awardees have been announced and here they introduce themselves in a video for ISBR 2023!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nPiGfbSOYik>



For detailed information please click [here](#)

## Symposium Dinner

We are planning an evening of memories, music and great quality food at the Union Station Hotel on the evening of Wednesday, 3 May 2023. The tickets are \$100 per person and will include a 3-course menu, limited drinks and entertainment on the evening. Spend time with your colleagues and friends and join us on this memorable evening. **To book, please log back into your online profile to indicate your participation and pay. We hope to see you there.**



## Free Tours of Danforth Center or Bayer Crop Science

We are excited to announce that ISBR2023 participants will be able to take part in complimentary tours to either Bayer Crop Science or The Donald Danforth Plant Science Center.

Because of time limitations, these tours will run in parallel following completion of the symposium on Thursday 4 May. Buses will depart from Union Station Hotel at 2 pm Thursday 4 May and lunch boxes will be provided.

Places are limited to 60 participants for each tour.

**Pre-registration is required for both tours. You can reserve your seat for either the Danforth or Bayer tour when you register for ISBR2023 or, for existing registrants, please log back into your [registration portal](#) and reserve your seat.**

### Danforth Center Tour

The Donald Danforth Plant Science Center is the largest independent, nonprofit plant science research institute in the world. It is uniquely positioned to help feed the world and heal the planet, with a mission to improve the human condition through plant science.



This immersive tour of the facilities at the Danforth Plant Science Center in St Louis will provide insight into their extensive research activities aimed at creating a world where all people have enough food and energy while preserving a livable, sustainable environment.

Further information about the Danforth Center tour is available [here](#) .

### **Bayer Crop Science Tour**

Bayer Innovation Experience: A firsthand look at the past, present, and future of agriculture.

Housed in their North American Crop Science Research and Development Headquarters in Chesterfield, Missouri, the Bayer Innovation Experience offers an immersive and engaging look into the research and breakthroughs that are shaping the future of agriculture. This experience provides a comprehensive look into how innovations in agriculture benefit humanity and the planet as a whole, combining the many historic and ongoing developments that nourish our growing world.



Further information about the Bayer tour is available [here](#).

### **... and More**

Don't forget to check out the [St Louis's visitors guide](#) for a complete list of great places to eat, shop, play and stay in St. Louis. Inside you'll find helpful maps, information about local neighbourhoods and all the must-see attractions the Gateway City has to offer from nightlife and sports to family-friendly, music and theatre. For the baseball fans, the [St Louis Cardinals](#) are also in town during the symposium!

## **Program News**

Acceptance/rejection letters for submitted abstracts were sent out to authors on 16 January.

**All accepted authors should PLEASE CONFIRM their participation by Friday, 3 February** to reserve a spot in the program. They will then also have to **REGISTER no later than 17 February** to secure their participation.

**PLEASE NOTE: Plenary, topic-specific parallel session & workshop presenters must be registered by 31 January.**

The first draft of the final program will be published around 13 February. To date we have secured more than 100 individual presentations spread over 26 sessions!

[For detailed information please click here](#)

## **ISBR2023 Photo Competition** **“Genetics for a healthier planet”**

Win a 100 \$US, 60 \$US or 40 \$US Amazon voucher!

You can help us find images that reflect the beauty, scientific excellence and diversity of the work done in genetics to make our planet healthier. We invite all attendees of the ISBR2023 Symposium and all ISBR members to submit photographs for the contest. A selection of the photographs will be printed and displayed at the Symposium and may be used on the website or in ISBR promotional materials.

Images should be uploaded to the 2023 ISBR Photo Competition group in Flickr before **10 March 2023**. Submit your best images now!

## Sponsorship

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- Donald Danforth Plant Science Center

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