



GFRAS 2023

DRAFT AGENDA

OCTOBER 17-19, 2023

Denver, Colorado, USA

GFRAS Annual Meeting 2023

Join the Global Forum for Rural Advisory Services (GFRAS) Annual Meeting hosted by the North American Agricultural Advisory Network (NAAAN). This meeting will convene experts and professionals from around the world on extension, agricultural education, and rural advisory services to address ways to attract and prepare the next generation of leaders in agriculture and improve global food security.

- **Dates:** October 17-19, 2023
- **Location:** Denver, Colorado, USA
- **Theme:** Building the Next Generation of Leaders in Agriculture

Held for the first time in North America, this event will feature innovative speakers, interactive plenary sessions, break-out discussions, and field trips to Colorado farms and businesses for a hands-on exploration of what building the next generation of leaders looks like around the world. Categories for meeting contributions and discussions include Youth Engagement; Educational Programs and Platforms; Young Professionals; and Serving the Underserved through Agricultural Programs.



REGISTER

We are offering tiered registration rates. To learn more visit our website. Registration closes on Sept. 16.



LEARN MORE

Visit our website for the most recent information including the three day agenda, speaker bios and farm field trip locations.



BOOK HOTEL

To access a special room rate and to reserve your room at the Hilton Garden Inn, please use the link above before Sept. 16.



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Global Forum for Rural Advisory Services (GFRAS)
Annual Meeting October 17-19, 2023
Denver, Colorado, USA
Building the Next Generation of Leaders in Agriculture
DRAFT Agenda (July)

Monday, Oct. 16

	<i>Afternoon Side Events (hosted and organized by GFRAS)</i>
2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Registration Check-In Open <i>Hilton Garden Inn Denver Union Station, 2nd Floor</i>

Tuesday, Oct. 17

Hilton Garden Inn Denver Union Station (1999 Chestnut Pl, Denver, CO 80202)

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Registration Check-In and BREAKFAST <i>Hilton Garden Inn Denver Union Station, 2nd Floor</i>
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Opening Ceremony and Remarks <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Keynote Remarks and Panel <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	BREAK
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	GFRAS Annual Overview and “Exchange of Regions” discussions, exploring our work with Global Youth <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH
1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	Plenary Session <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>
2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	Parallel Sessions
2:50 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.	BREAK
3:20 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.	Parallel Sessions
4:20 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	Day One Closing Remarks <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>
4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Partnership Gallery and Poster Networking RECEPTION with Light Appetizers

Wednesday, Oct. 18

7:30 a.m.	Arrive at Hilton Garden Inn for Grab and Go BREAKFAST		
8:00 a.m.	Buses Depart <i>Hilton Garden Inn Denver Union Station (1999 Chestnut Pl, Denver, CO 80202)</i>		
8:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	GROUP A Bus Ride to Field Trip Location #1	GROUP B Bus Ride to Field Trip Location #1	GROUP C Bus Ride to Field Trip Location #1
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	GROUP A Field Trip Location #1	GROUP B Field Trip Location #1	GROUP C Field Trip Location #1
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	GROUP A Bus Ride to Field Trip Location #2	GROUP B Bus Ride to Field Trip Location #2	GROUP C Bus Ride to Field Trip Location #2
11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	GROUP A Field Trip Location #2	GROUP B Field Trip Location #2	GROUP C Field Trip Location #2
12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	LUNCH		
1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Bus Ride to CSU Spur <i>CSU Spur, 4777 National Western Dr., Denver, CO 80216</i>		
2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Opening Remarks at CSU Spur Campus <i>Hydro building theatre</i>		
2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	CSU Spur Presentation and Panel <i>Hydro building theatre</i>		
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	COFFEE AND SNACK BREAK <i>Hydro Lobby</i>		
3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	Self-guided Tours of CSU Spur		
4:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Walk or Ride Bus to Stock Yard Events Center <i>National Western Stockyards Event Center, 5004 National Western Dr., Denver, CO 80216</i>		
5:00 p.m. – 7:50 p.m.	Western Cultural Evening and DINNER <i>National Western Stockyards Event Center, 5004 National Western Dr., Denver, CO 80216</i>		
8:00 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.	Busses Return to Hilton Garden Inn <i>Busses Depart from National Western Stockyards Event Center</i>		

Thursday, Oct. 19

Hilton Garden Inn Denver Union Station (1999 Chestnut Pl, Denver, CO 80202)

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	BREAKFAST and Networking Time	
9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Opening Remarks and Field Trip Overview <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>	
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Keynote Address <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>	
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	BREAK	
10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	NAAAN Country Hub Discussions <i>Blake Room</i>	GFRAS Regional Network Discussions <i>The Confluence Ballroom, Wynkoop Room, & Wazee Room</i>
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	LUNCH	
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Parallel Sessions	
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Closing Remarks and Next Steps <i>The Confluence Ballroom</i>	
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Informal Networking	
4:00 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned	