

International Commission of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering

Al Work Group Creation Proposal

Proposed Title:	Artificial Intelligence in in Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering.
Short Title:	Artificial Intelligence
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Target Group:	A&BE professionals and professionals in closely related fields working on
	Al or having an interest in Al and Data Science. Students in A&BE
	education programs. Industry that is or may become end users of AI and
	Data Science in agriculture and natural resources.
Goal:	Create an environment for ABE professionals and related disciplines to
	collaborate in the development and disseminate useful applications of Al
	and Data Science in agriculture and natural resources that improve the
	quality of life of all in a sustainable and socially responsible manner.
Objectives:	1. Identify CIGR professionals working in the field of AI applied to A&BE
	and create a network for collaboration.
	2. Create a dynamic online platform for exchange of ideas and
	information.
	3. Organize a specialty session on AI during the International Meetings
	and World Congresses.
	4. Promote the organization of hands-on workshops by experienced
	individuals for individuals new to the field (including virtual).
	5. Collaborate with INFITA to create special activities during WCCA.
	6. Collaborate with the Intelligent Agricultural Equipment Student
	Competition (IAESC).
	7. Write a primer on AI in A&BE (Along the lines of a CIGR Handbook).
	8. Develop curriculum and educational materials for inclusion in ABE
	programs.
Membership:	Members of the workgroup would be individuals wiling to write and
	deliver on time a chapter of the AI in A&BE Primer in the objectives, or to
	organize a workshop on the subject. The initial exclusion of individuals
	simply having "an interest" will avoid problems with deliverables that
	often occur with WG. After maturity the group will be expanded to a
	community of interest.
Process:	February 2021: Obtain approval for the creation of the WG.
	March 2021: Announce the formation of the WG and call for interested
	and capable participants. Recruit individuals know to be working in the
	field.
	May 2021: First organizational meeting by Zoom. Review goals and
	determine specific actions aligned with the objectives: Review call for
	chapter proposals for the primer; review participation in SICJMAET;

identify specific conferences for sessions and workshops; associate tasks to individuals. Define WG governance.

June 2021: Publish plan for the WG. Provide progress report and begin to execute planned activities.

Ongoing: Revision of goals, opportunities, action plans and their execution, and evaluation of executed activities.

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