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Powering Progress in Oilseed Products

14-17 March | Scottsdale, Arizona, USA

Supporting and promoting the success of individuals and companies engaged in every aspect of the vegetable oil industry - from sourcing and processing to shipping, storage, and use.

Annual Convention & NetworkingThe Future of Foods, Fuels and Strategic Partnerships.

The NIOP Annual Convention is the hub for industry-wide networking, offering a unique platform to connect with fellow professionals, exchange insights, and build valuable relationships.

Attendees can look forward to engaging discussions with industry thought leaders, gaining invaluable perspectives on the latest trends and innovations. Beyond the enriching experience of knowledge sharing, the Annual Convention also offers a vibrant social atmosphere, providing opportunities to unwind, relax, and simply enjoy the camaraderie of like-minded individuals.

Get ready for a convention experience that's as valuable as it is enjoyable.

At the 2026 NIOP Annual Convention, attendees can expect to take part in sessions that are timely, relevant, and applicable to their day-to-day work. NIOP is intentional in its convention programming, reserving space in the agenda for "hot topics"-issues that are especially pressing and important to membership - ensuring the content stays fresh, responsive, and impactful.

Organisers promise to deliver an agenda that is strategic and dynamic, making your attendance well worth the investment.

But it's not all business - NIOP also builds in plenty of time for fun and connection. You'll enjoy ample social opportunities to meet, mingle, and build relationships with fellow attendees and industry peers.

See more: <https://niop.org/annual-convention/>

EuroGrain Exchange 2026

23-24 April 2026 | Bucharest, Romania

A unique forum and exhibition at the epicenter of Black Sea grain exports

EuroGrainExchange is dedicated to the vital grain and oilseeds industry in the Black Sea, Central and Eastern Europe, and the Danube region.

EuroGrain 2026 brings together leading analysts, market experts and decision-makers for in-depth discussion panels, while providing extensive networking opportunities with key agribusiness players. Traders, farmers, crop input suppliers, agents, fleet owners, logistics companies and other industry professionals meet in one place to exchange

views on the complex and challenging grain market. It is also a space to connect with future employers or find valuable additions to your trading teams and the right collaborators.

Recognized as the most attended spring grain and oilseeds summit in the region, EuroGrain offers a distinctive perspective on the European grain landscape. The event brings vibrant discussions and conversations, while offering opportunities to discover emerging market trends and explore collaboration across the Black Sea, Eastern and Central Europe. Whether you are a grain producer, trader or part of the wider supply chain, EuroGrainExchange 2026 provides access to knowledge, connections and opportunities that support the growing potential of the region.

At EuroGrainExchange, connections truly matter — and so does the atmosphere. Known as one of the most welcoming and people-focused events in the grain industry, the forum creates the right environment for meaningful business conversations. Whether you are forging new partnerships, reconnecting with industry peers, or exchanging perspectives with market leaders, the event is designed to encourage high-impact interactions. From informal coffee breaks to structured networking sessions, every moment is an opportunity to expand your professional network and stay ahead in the global grain trade. Senior-level executives, traders, and top-tier professionals from 400+ companies come together to exchange views, strengthen partnerships, and explore new business opportunities.

Exhibition area in 2026 is expanding to meet the high demand for stands and networking corners.

Companies can showcase expertise and highlight activity to decision-makers and key stakeholders in the grain and agricultural sectors in Eastern Europe, present company and services to a targeted audience eager to explore innovative solutions and trusted partners.

Expand your market presence reaching visibility and recognition among wider and target visitors from the entire grain business and agri market spectrum. Advertise and present your brand within this unique for Romania and CEE event.

More information: <https://eurograinevents.com/>

2026 AOCS Annual Meeting & Expo

3-6 May | New Orleans, USA

The AOCS Annual Meeting & Expo is a premier international science and business forum on fats, oils, surfactants, proteins, and related materials. The extensive technical program in 10 interest areas features more than 500 oral and poster presentations, plus additional break out sessions around important trending topics. Meet colleagues with similar scientific and technological interests, discover opportunities to collaborate, or find your next career opportunity by attending additional

networking and social events as part of the meeting. The annual meeting features a multidisciplinary technical program including 80+ sessions from 10 interest areas, special sessions including presentations on trending industry topics, networking events and receptions, and more.

Short Courses: Edible Oils Refining

This course is designed to help attendees understand the informed decision-making manufacturers use in edible oil processing as they progress from an oilseed to a purified, palatable vegetable oil. We will cover the basics of the crushing process, but the primary focus is refining.

New this year: Special modules on cold pressing and fuel production from vegetable oils.

More infos on: <https://annualmeeting.aocs.org/>

GrainCom 2026

11-13 May | Geneva, Switzerland

The Game Changer Event for the Grain Industry

Our aim is to bring to the grain conference a wide range of topics, some within the industry but also to look at those outside the industry that over the next few years will be major influencers within Agri-Business.

The GrainCom events team would like to thank all those who attended the previous GrainCom events as speakers, sponsors, delegates and friends for the enormous support you gave us both with encouragement and financial.

A group of well-known Agricultural Industry experts, following the request from many within the industry, has created GrainCom Events SA with the main purpose to produce a new global grain and oilseed Conference in Geneva.

The agenda is currently being developed and will cover all key topics relevant to the industry today. The team would be pleased to receive any requests and/or suggestions for the agenda, please contact James.dunsterville@graincomevents.com. Check updates on <https://graincomevents.com/>

EFRA Congress 2026

27-30 May | Tenerife, Spain

The European Fat Processors and Renderers Association represents the European animal by-product processing sector. Its objective: to continually improve the safety, health and sustainability of European food production by efficiently processing animal fats and other by-products.

EFRA Congress 2026 takes place in the stunning island of Tenerife, the jewel of the Canary Islands. More information will be published on the event page: <https://efpra2026tenerife.com/en/home2/>

4th Lipid Droplets Oleosomes Conference

2-4 June | Montpellier, France

During this event lipid droplets and oleosomes, their parts and potential applications as functional assemblies from plants to health and disease in-

cluding nutritional and cosmetics innovations will be discussed.

The event will take place in Campus La Gaillarde located in the School of Agronomy Campus, close to the City Center, in the heart of the MedVallée and very nearby Montpellier University of Science and organized in tight connections with CIRAD and University.

Registration has been opened on 15 september 2025, so submit your abstracts to present your last and most innovative results on lipids droplets and oleosomes.

Info: <https://4thldocongress.seminaire.inrae.fr/>

Argus Biofuels & Feedstocks Latin America Conference

15-17 June | São Paulo, Brazil

Building a new commercial ecosystem for biofuels, feedstocks, and carbon markets in Latin America.

Latin America is fast becoming a critical player in the global energy transition, with Brazil leading the charge through progressive regulation, surging SAF demand, and decarbonisation targets aligned with COP30 commitments.

The region's biofuels and SAF markets are entering a high-growth, high-value phase, unlocking unprecedented trading and investment opportunities for those ready to act.

Join the Argus Biofuels & Feedstocks Latin America Conference to position your business at the centre of this transformation - a must-attend event for energy traders, producers, and policymakers shaping the future of clean fuels in global markets.

Connect with over 200 senior decision-makers from 100 leading companies in just three days. A chance to gain critical insights into feedstock developments, pricing strategies, investments in new builds, infrastructure driving biofuels trade, SAF innovations, carbon market linkages, and much more. Register now to save \$600 with the super early bird rate.

See more information on:

<https://www.argusmedia.com/en/events/conferences/latin-america-biofuels>

FATS-O-MICS: Workshop on Food Lipids and Lipidomics for Health, Nutrition, and Sustainability

02-03 July | Averoio, Portugal

The event aims at bringing novel insights and addressing emerging challenges in the exciting field of food lipids and lipidomics, with a vision for healthier diets and a more sustainable future.

This meeting brings together a diverse community of scientists, young researchers, stakeholders, and industry experts united by a shared commitment to deepen our comprehension of the role of lipids in food quality, traceability, nutrition, health and sustainability.

Key topics:

- The importance of lipids and lipidomics in human health and sustainable diets,
- The development of alternative food sources,
- The integration of food analysis with traceability systems, and
- The analytical challenges associated with the characterization and quantification of lipids in complex food matrices.

Workshop sessions:

- Session 1: Analytical Challenges in the Diversity of Food Lipids
- Session 2: Food Lipids and Lipidomics: From Molecules to Nutrition and Health Insights
- Session 3: Lipids and lipidomics in Food Quality, Safety & Traceability
- Session 4: Alternative and new sources of lipids, sustainability and future directions

These challenges are both technical and strategic, requiring interdisciplinary approaches that combine analytical chemistry, food science, nutrition, biotechnology, and data science.

More information and updates:

<https://veranstaltungen.gdch.de/microsite/index.cfm?l=11918&modus=>

27th International Symposium on Plant Lipids

5-10 July | Malaga, Spain

This meeting will offer an opportunity to share recent advances in the field of plant lipid biology, as their roles in development, stress responses, signalling, and biotechnological applications.

The scientific program will feature a series of highly engaging and diverse talks, reflecting the dynamic and rapidly evolving nature of lipid research. Beyond the scientific content, the meeting will provide a unique setting to exchange ideas, foster collaborations, and strengthen the connections within our international community.

The welcoming atmosphere, together with the outstanding location and facilities in Málaga, will create the ideal environment for meaningful scientific dialogue and interaction.

The scientific program of the congress will be structured around sessions showcasing the latest advances across the diverse areas that make up the field of plant lipids.

The program also includes keynote talks highlighting the most impactful recent discoveries, as well as the most remarkable contributions from young researchers, who represent the future of this field.

- Fatty acid and glycerolipid synthesis
- Extraplasmidial lipids: Plant sphingolipids and sterols
- Triacylglycerol metabolism and lipid droplets
- Plastidial and algal lipids
- Lipid trafficking and membrane contact sites
- Surface lipids
- Lipid signaling
- Emerging methods and lipidomics
- Plant lipids and stress response
- Plant Lipid Biotechnology

Stay tuned for upcoming updates:

<https://ispl2026malaga.com/ISPL2026>