

AUTUMN CONFERENCE 2023

Cork, November 22 - 24

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

DIGITISATION OF THE DAIRY INDUSTRY

As a large-scale, energy-intensive industry exposed to global market volatility, the milk processing industry has always had process efficiency and continuous improvement as core values. Smart Manufacturing (Industry 4.0) is being widely adopted by the dairy industry to drive operational efficiency, optimize supply chain logistics and contribute to process & product development. New smart dairy factories with embedded information and communications technology (ICT) are becoming operational throughout Europe with the prospect of step-change improvements in productivity, sustainability and quality. Thus it is timely that Digitisation of the Dairy Industry is the theme of the SDT Autumn Conference to be hosted by the Southern Ireland Section in Cork in 2023. The conference will explore the progress made in recent years by international front-runners in the industry as well as current research and visions for the future

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The Programme will focus on the following topics;

Advances in Process Simulation, Automation & Control
Product & Process Data Integration & Management
Vocational Education & Training
Application of Robotics & AI in the Supply Chain & Logistics
Open Forum Discussion
as well as:
Student Presentations & Poster Exhibition
a Technical Visit
Trade Exhibition
Social Programme

Speakers will include business leaders, academics, ICT experts and project engineers

Follow the Conference on the SDT website: www.sdt.org/events

CONFERENCE VENUE

Devere Hall at University College Cork (UCC) is the venue for the 2023 Autumn Conference. UCC has a proud heritage in Dairy Education in Ireland. A Dairy Science faculty was established in 1926 and the Irish dairy centre of vocational excellence (Dairy CoVE) is currently being established under the Erasmus+ programme. UCC is recognized as an international centre of excellence in Dairy Research, Located on the banks of the river Lee and landscaped by nature the UCC campus has many interesting buildings and features, ranging from the historical Stone Corridor of the Main Quadrangle to the modern Lewis Gluckmann Gallery in the Lower Grounds.

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Regarded by its citizens as one of the top cities in the World, Cork has been described as “sophisticated, vibrant and diverse while still retaining its friendliness, relaxed charm and quickfire wit” (Lonely Planet Guidebook).

For more about Cork visit: www.corkcity.ie/en/things-to-do & www.discoverireland.ie/cork

REGISTRATION

To register your interest in attending, submitting a presentation or poster, making a discussion group proposal, booking exhibition space or sponsoring a session/keynote speaker/other programme event please register online

www.sdt.org/event/

or

Contact Mr. Michael Hickey, Hon. Sec. S.Ireland Section SDT by email;

michaelhickey0949@gmail.com.

A limited number of Early bird registrations will be available to delegates who register & pay by March 31, 2023 (Terms & Conditions apply)

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation will **not** available on campus at the time of the conference.

A list of hotels near UCC offering a conference rate will be circulated shortly.

Reservations should be made directly with the hotel quoting reference; SDT to avail of Conference Rates.

HOW TO GET THERE

Cork Airport (ORK) has frequent flights from London (Heathrow Gatwick and Stansted) and a wide range of other UK and continental European destinations. From Rosslare (about three hours drive from Cork) there are ferries to Fishguard and Pembroke Dock (Wales). For advice on getting to Cork by Plane, Boat, Train, Bus as well as local travel and accommodation information and Car-Hire contact the Cork City Tourist Office (www.discoverireland.ie/cork/cork-tourist-information-centre).