



Call for Poster and Research Roundtable Presentations

Enhancing Local and Regional Food Systems: Exploring the Research, What Works, and What We Need to Learn

May 19-20, 2009

Hudson Valley Resort, Kerhonkson, NY

You are invited to [submit a poster or research roundtable proposal](#) for the Local and Regional Foods Conference, May 19 and 20, 2009, in Kerhonkson, NY. **The deadline for submissions is Friday, April 3.**

Additional information and the conference brochure can be found at <http://nercrd.psu.edu/LocalFoods/Conference.html>

Poster Session Guidelines

Poster sessions provide an opportunity for conference participants from across the Northeast to highlight best practices and research findings, as well as exploring new areas of inquiry and gaps in information related to a wide range of local and regional food system issues and considerations.

Posters can be set up any time after 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 18, but must be completed by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday May 19. Staffing of displays will be required only during the poster and refreshment session, which is scheduled from 5:00 to 6:15 p.m., Tuesday, May 19.

Posters may address practice, established or emerging educational or research projects, or other programs designed to address topics directly related to the conference goals. Posters or other displays should be able to fit on a 6' x 2' table.

Research Roundtable Guidelines

Research Roundtables are designed to provide conference participants with an opportunity to highlight completed, on-going, or emerging research or other information, and to use these presentations to foster related discussion at their tables. We will reserve two, 45 minute sessions, during which presenters will have the opportunity to present their information twice within the allocated 90 minutes. Because we anticipate between 2 and 3 presenters per table, each presenter will have a maximum of 15 minutes to discuss their respective project.

Poster and Roundtable Selection

Proposals for both poster sessions and research roundtables will be reviewed and selected based on available space and to the degree in which they meet the following criteria:

- Innovativeness of approach or uniqueness of findings or approach
- Relevance to conference goals
- Applicability to local and regional food system practice and research in the Northeast

Submission Information

Proposals for both poster sessions and roundtable presentations will be accepted [on-line](#). The deadline for submissions is Friday, April 3, 2009.

[Register today](#) **Early-bird registration is now available and open until April 13, 2009. Final registrations are due May 1. *Please note, however, we cannot guarantee the availability of hotel rooms after the early-bird registration date of April 13.***