



European Network for Business  
and Industrial Statistics

**ENBIS SPRING MEETING 2018: CALL FOR PAPERS**  
**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 28th**

The 2018 ENBIS Spring Meeting will focus on

**Design of experiments (DoE) for  
quality of products**

**and**

**sustainability in agri-food systems.**

It will take place from Monday, June 4th (opening at lunch time) to Wednesday, June 6th (closing meeting at lunch time) in **Florence, Italy**.

[http://www.enbis.org/activities/events/current/572\\_ENBIS\\_Spring\\_Meeting\\_2018/](http://www.enbis.org/activities/events/current/572_ENBIS_Spring_Meeting_2018/)

**Contributions are welcome on the illustration of particularly challenging technological issues and sustainability problems, as well as on methodologies relating to experimental design and modeling; possible topics are related (but not limited) to:**

- design of experiments
- response surface methodology
- robust process optimization
- optimal designs
- choice experiments
- choice modeling
- conjoint analysis
- data analysis for sustainability

**We cordially invite you to submit an abstract** (maximum 1000 words (12pt) - including title, authors and affiliations, and references) **by 28 February 2018, at the latest**. To submit your abstract go to [www.enbis.org](http://www.enbis.org), log in and search for ENBIS Spring Meeting 2018 under *Upcoming Events*. If you are not already a member of ENBIS, please join first (note there is no membership fee for individual members of ENBIS).

Notifications of the acceptance of submissions will be sent out no later than March 11st, 2018. Registrations will close on **30 April 2018**.

The **registration fee** (open until 30 April 2018) is EUR 350 (the reduced fee for students is EUR 220).

The **registration fee** includes Conference Proceedings, the social dinner, lunches and dinner during the Conference.

**Accommodation- Florence** is one of the most popular destinations for tourists and lovers of art and fashion throughout all year. For this reason, it is **strongly recommended** to book early (conference dates also follow a long week-end). A link to a dedicated booking engine with discounted rates will be provided for reservations on the ENBIS 2018 website ([http://www.enbis.org/activities/events/current/572 ENBIS Spring Meeting 2018//Accom Social Events? ts=209152](http://www.enbis.org/activities/events/current/572_ENBIS_Spring_Meeting_2018//Accom_Social_Events?ts=209152))

A limited amount of **rooms** for the period concerned has been shelved until **30 March 2018**.

**Highlights of the ENBIS Spring Meeting 2018** include:

- **Keynote Speakers:**
  - ❖ **Jesús Fernando López Fidalgo (Univ. Navarra- Spain):**  
*Bayesian Optimal Experimental Design;*
  - ❖ **G. Geoffrey Vining (Dept. of Statistics, Virginia Tech., USA):**  
*Planning Experiments to Improve Food Product Quality.*
- A **number of contributed sessions** featuring presentations from both industry (on successful applications) and academia, aimed at covering the theory and applications of experimental design both in technological field and in sustainability for agri-food systems.
- An **award** for the best contributed talk selected among younger researchers (below 40)
- **Social Dinner** in a very beautiful villa situated on the hills surrounding the city of Florence

Should you need **any conference-related information** which cannot be found on the website, please feel free to contact the Chair of the Programme Committee **Rossella Berni** ([berni@disia.unifi.it](mailto:berni@disia.unifi.it)) or the **ENBIS Permanent Office** ([office@enbis.org](mailto:office@enbis.org)).