Key 2016 Highlights:

- Completed transition to Global Farmer Network (from TATT), including successful trademark registration, with new website design and re-freshened social media pages.
- Decision to expand GFN Board of Directors to include farmers from outside the United States.
- Social Media Impact – more than doubled to over 400,000 impressions per month over last two years.
- Media Placement Impact – Nyasha Mudukuti (Zimbabwe) op-ed in The Wall Street Journal "We May Starve, but at Least We'll Be GMO-Free" - and shared several thousand times via Facebook.

Coming in 2017:

- Three global farmers added to the board of directors during the first quarter.
- Continued expansion of social media efforts, including Instagram launch.

Website Activity 2016: visits from 183 countries, growth in Asia and S. America.

Social Media Growth: July 2014 thru December 2016 – Followers and Impressions (average per month)
Media Activity: samples that utilized GFN or contain items of interest to Global Farmer Network members.
Farmers Take Centre Stage at Symposium

Farmers from six continents shared their experiences at events throughout the day. From smallholders to large commercial farmers, they discussed the tools, technologies and farming practices they’re using to sustainably increase their productivity and profitability in a roundtable discussion. Elsewhere in a panel session moderated by Julie Borlaug (Norman Borlaug’s granddaughter), farmers from India and Zimbabwe reflected on how the work of two World Food Prize laureates have impacted them and how they run their own farms.

ABC Rural (Australia) - "APVMA approves late application of glyphosate on feed and food grade barley crops" Nov 2 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).

ABC Rural (Australia) - "Glyphosate debate divides grain industry, sparks concern from livestock farmers” Oct 31 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).

ABC Rural (Australia) - "Fattened Northern Territory steers win inaugural feedlot competition in Indonesia” Apr 7 with William Bulu (GFN, Indonesia), and "High price of Australian beef squeezes profitability from Indonesian cattle importers and feedlots” Apr 10.

ABC, Triple Hack (Australia) - "Climate change, The Bachelorette & a massive harvest of Valentine’s roses” Feb 12 on Sarah Sammon (GFN, Australia).

Actualidad Del Campo Agropecuario (Paraguay) - Oct edition included Roberto Peiretti (GFN, Argentina) who spoke at ‘National Meeting of Direct Sowing” in August.


Ag Professional - "GMO labeling compromise legislation is best and cheapest lawyer” July 5 by Joanna Lidback (Board, Vermont).

Ag Professional - "Commentary: We need an EPA rooted in sound science” May 16 by Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa).

Ag Professional - "Commentary: Well-intentioned CA Prop 65 is getting out of hand” Feb 19 by Ted Shelly (Board, California).

AGCO Africa Summit 2016 - Feb 17 blog by Nyasha Mudukuti (GFN, Zimbabwe) the AGCO Africa Ambassador 2016.

Kleckner Award Goes to No-Till Argentine Farmer

Argentinian farmer María Giraudo was the recipient of the 2016 Kleckner Award, presented by the Global Farmer Network. A fifth generation farmer, Giraudo and her family adopted “no-till” agriculture more than thirty years ago, a practice now used on 92% of her country’s farmland.


AgriNews - "Senate candidates outline ag platforms” Aug 24 coverage of Illinois US Senate candidate forum held Aug 24 at farm of Dan Kelley (Board, Illinois). Event was hosted by the Illinois Farm Bureau.

AgriPost (Canada) - Les Kletke (GFN, Canada) authored a number of stories in the Mar 25 edition.

Agri-Pulse - "EDF unveils new nutrient management tool” Mar 3 quotes Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa).

Agroberichten (Netherlands) - "The Netherlands takes on Antibiotic Resistance” Apr 15 includes Annechien ten Have Mellem (GFN, Netherlands) who spoke at the Dutch Embassy in Washington, DC on Apr 13.

Agromagazine.tv (Argentina) - "Busso met with national officials in Expoagro” Mar 10 with Maria Beatriz Giraudo (GFN, Argentina).

Agro Empresario (Argentina) - Martín Pasman [GFN, Argentina]: “En las rutas, ver equipos de riego, es transformar la Argentina y el campo” profile Aug 9.

Agroinfo (Romania) - Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) quoted June 5 "I leave agriculture if glyphosate disappears!

Agrointeligenta (Romania) - Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) quoted Nov 26 in “Gestul pe care fermieri il inteleg si care le da puterea de a mege mai departe”.

AgroNotizie (Italy) - “Un clima da raffreddare” Dec 5 quotes Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina).

AgroWeb - Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa) quoted Nov 5 in “Can Old Locks, Dams Pass the Test?”


AgroWeb, Farm Journal - "Argentina farmer fights for no till agriculture, wins Kleckner Award” Oct 12.


ARD (Germany) - Mary Boote (CEO) helped arrange an interview for German television with an Iowa farmer in early September to provide a better understanding of biotech crops from their perspective for German/EU audience.

AHDB Grain Outlook (UK) - the Spring 2016 edition invoices “View from the chair” by Paul Temple (GFN, UK).

Ashburton Guardian (New Zealand) - Oct 13 “PPG Wrightson buys into Agri Optics”; founded by Craig Mackenzie (GFN, NZ).

The Australian - “New pest threat to grain industry” June 8 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).
The Australian Financial Review - "Recognising agriculture’s role" Mar 23 interview with Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).

BBC News - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) featured in "Farmers are abandoning traditional ploughing" Dec 18.


BBC Radio 4 - "Farming Today This Week: Agritech and Farm Gadgets" Nov 12 with Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK). 

BBC Radio 4 (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) was invited to be interviewed on air Mar 24.


Belles and Whispers (Australia) - "Flowering farm is the cream of the crop" Sept 18 on Sarah Sammon (GFN, Australia).

Bem Parana (Brazil) - "Campaign gets 50% reduction in the use of insecticides in soybean crops" Sep 27 quotes Richard Dijkstra (GFN, Brazil).


Bloomberg - "The Weather-Predicting Tech Behind $62 Billion Monsanto Bid" June 9 quotes Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, United Kingdom).

The Bloomington Pantagraph (Illinois) - "Honoring the 1 percenters who produce food" Sept 3 by Dan Kelley (Board, Illinois).

BM Editores (Mexico) - "Alltech continues to invest in research in Latin America" Apr 27 includes Isidro Matamoros (GFN, Honduras).

Boerderij (Netherlands) - "Global Farmer Roundtable: 14 wereldboeren om de tafel" Jan 20 by Annechien ten Have Mellema (GFN, Netherlands).

Boeren Business (Netherlands) - "6 Questions to Kees Huizinga - Ukraine still offers an excellent opportunity" Apr 5 interview with Kees Huizinga (GFN, Ukraine).


Brownfield Ag News - "Farming Challenges Differ Around the Globe" Oct 11 includes audio/radio interviews.

Brownfield Ag News - "Precision ag farmer of the year motivated by environment, bottom line" Aug 10 on Craig Mackenzie (GFN, New Zealand).

Brownfield Ag News - "Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa) interviewed Apr 13 in "Aces planted with biotech seed down slightly in 2015".

Brownfield Ag News - "Missouri Agriculture Update with Director Fordyce" Oct 20 with Richard Fordyce (GFN, Missouri); discussion of GFR starts off radio interview.

Business Diary (Philippines) - "Filipino farmers anticipate approval Bt eggplant similar to Bangladesh’s release of Bt brinjai" Mar 12 quotes Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "Corn Farmers Asking Urgent Help From Department of Agriculture" Oct 5 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "Farmers ask DA to release BT corn permits" Sept 14 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "PhilMaize lauds reversal of SC ruling on GMOs" July 27 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "16th Congress: Hits and misses in propelling economic growth" June 15 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "El Niño causes spike in local corn prices" May 11 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "Genetically modified corn allowed farmers to earn $560 million--study" Apr 29 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "New GM rules to ensure higher corn output" Mar 29 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Business Mirror (Philippines) - "Govt urged to immediately issues rules on GMOs" has Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines) Feb 22.

BusinessWorld (Philippines) - "Corn sector lobbying for agency to regulate industry, aid farmers" Nov 22 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).

Busqueda (Uruguay) - [translated] July 6 interview, "You can be "the best producer of meat or milk" but "the tariff takes away all competition," said Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay).

Campo (Argentina) - "Pilu Giraudo, premiada en Des Moines" Oct 16

Capital Press - "In Europe, GMOs rejected by consumers, embraced by farmers" Dec 21 quotes Mary Boote (GFN CEO).

Capital Press - "GMO labeling rules that matter and rules that don’t" Sept 29 by Duane Grant (Guest author, Idaho).

Capital Press - "USDA shifts GMO labeling policy for meat, eggs" Aug 30 quotes Mary Boote (CEO, GFN).

Capital Press - "Russia bans cultivation, breeding of GMOs" July 26 quotes Mary Boote (CEO, GFN).

Cedar Rapids Gazette - "Iowa caucus voters should consider trade issues" Jan 31 op-ed by Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa).

The Christian Science Monitor - "GMO labels: The great American food fight" June 25 includes Joanna Lidback (Board, Vermont).

China Daily (China) - "In wheat, they consolidate strategies to find high yields" July 2 quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).

CNBC / Reuters - "Argentine farmers urge govt to clinch GMO deal with Monsanto" May 18 quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).

CNBC / Reuters - "Destination Asia: Argentina, Australia set for face-off in farm exports" Jan 25 quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).


CPM, Crop Protection Magazine (UK) - "On-farm-innovator - Education crusade" feature from May 20 on Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) efforts with Open Farm Sunday.

CREA (Argentina) - David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) interviewed in the May edition, "Hay que dejar des gestionar el trigo como si fuese un commodity".

Crop Biotech Update (ISAAA) - "Women’s Groups Enlightened on Modern Biotech in the Philippines" Oct 19 included Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) who spoke in Pasig City.

Daily Nation (Kenya) - "Farmers to get milk coolers" Dec 14 includes picture of Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya).

Daily Nation (Kenya) - "Africa needs biotechnology to fight hunger" June 7 by Gilbert Arap Bor (2011 Kleckner Award, Kenya).

Daily Nation (Kenya) - "All I need to cool my milk is the sun" Apr 1 about Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya).

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Daily News Egypt / MENAFN - "Exporters of agricultural crops establish a plan to address export declines" Feb 2 quotes Salah Hegazy (GFN, Egypt).
Daily Trust (Nigeria) - “Food security: Oyo farmers despatch S.O.S. to govt” Dec 26 quotes Benjamin Adewumi (GFN, Nigeria).
Dairy Herd Management - “Young Farmer: Sticking my neck out” Feb 12 by Joanna Lidback (Board, Vermont).
Des Moines Register - “Genetically modified crops benefit farmers” Nov 14 by Aman Mann, daughter of Gurjeet Singh Mann (GFN, India) about Vandana Shiva visit to Drake University.
Des Moines Register - “Speak the truth about trade” Aug 1 by Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa).
Des Moines Register - “Trade protectionists threaten US economy” letter to the editor by Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa) Jan 27.
The Detroit News - “Kaiser: Debbie Stabenow’s tax on eating” by Carol Keiser (Board, Florida) Mar 30.
Des Moines Register - “G Zusman: ‘Gabriel Carballal el campo yucateco’ Oct 16 quotes Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico).
Diario El Argentino - “Environment, good agricultural practices and public opinion” June 7 references public forum with María Beatriz Giraudo (GFN, Argentina).
Dow Jones / DTN-Progressive Farmer - “USDA Ag Outlook Projections” Feb 25 quotes Tim Burrack (Board, Iowa).
The Download (New Zealand) - “The Invisible Genius of Agriculture - Five cool technologies transforming the way we farm” highlights Craig Mackenzie (GFN, New Zealand).
Eastern Daily Press (UK) - “Farming’s resilience and competitiveness are key themes at 2016 Sentry Conference” on event chaired by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) Feb 3.
El Diario (Mexico) - “‘They seek to improve food quality with scientific link’ Mar 21 quotes Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico).
El Espectador (Colombia) - “Al glifosato no lo relacionan con su verdadero uso”: María Beatriz Giraudo” (GFN, Argentina) June 20 interview while in Colombia.
El Financiero (Mexico) - “Sagarpa vislumbra mercado más competido para exportadores de carne” Apr 6 quotes Francisco Gurria Treviño (GFN, Mexico).
El Heraldo (Colombia) - “Problemas del campo deben ser reconocidos entre todos” Dec 13 quotes María Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina).
El Heraldo (Colombia) - “Colombia, llamada a ser la despensa mundial: Giraudo” June 15 interview with María Beatriz Giraudo (GFN, Argentina).
El Observador (Uruguay) - “The only sustainable competitive advantage is learning fast” Nov 9 interview with Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay) recently selected as the country’s entrepreneur of the year.
El Observador (Uruguay) - “Consejos para renovar el modelo de negocios en ‘tiempos difíciles’” Sept 1 on panel that included Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay).
El Observador (Uruguay) - “Key: reconverted to optimize the performance of each centimeter of land” Mar 25 with Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay).
El Observador (Uruguay) - “Evolución muy favorable en la utilización de los drones en el agro” Jan 22 with Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay).
El Pais (Uruguay) - “Marcos Guigou [GFN] elected Entrepreneur of the Year by Ernst & Young” Oct 28 - Congratulations!
El Pais Rurales (Uruguay) - “Start of soy planting is well on track” Nov 11 Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay).
El Pais Rurales (Uruguay) - “Optimismo por el futuro del agro” Apr 10 quotes Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay), and “Con una renta en equilibrio la agricultura sería hipercompetitiva” has audio interview Apr 11.
El Pais (Uruguay) - “Lecueder, Guigou and De Luca demand less bureaucracy and more education” July 29 on a leader panel discussion including Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay), El Rural (Argentina) - María Beatriz Giraudo (GFN, Argentina) on Feb 1 Canal Rural Noticias Fin de Semana television.
El Rural (Argentina) - María Beatriz Giraudo (GFN, Argentina) on Feb 1 Canal Rural Noticias Fin de Semana television.
En Perspectiva (Uruguay) - Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) was a guest June 28 on national radio talk show.
En Perspectiva (Uruguay) - Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) participated on live radio talk show Apr 26 about “Crisis excess rains, the economy and its dependence on agriculture and new meat shipments rejected by US”.
En Perspectiva (Uruguay) - Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) appeared on the popular radio show Mar 29, topic was “Agricultural Mesa: The plight of the Uruguayen agriculture”.
Enfoque Noticias (Mexico) - “SAGARPA explores international markets to support dairy farmers” June 17 quotes Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN, Mexico).
Espectador (Uruguay) - “Synergy: livestock and agriculture make it more attractive to business” June 21 with Marcos Guigou (GFN, Uruguay).
European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, EBRD - “EBRD and EU prepare business for free trade area in Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine” Sept 12 with Kees Huizinga (GFN, Ukraine).
Excelerator (Mexico) - “Mexico seeks to adjust the standards for milk products” Nov 14 quotes Francisco Gurria Trevino (GFN).
Farm Futures - “‘No-till farmer from Argentina wins Kleckner Award’ Oct 11 on María Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina).
Farm Futures - “‘Thank a Consumer’ at Commodity Classic” Mar 3 quotes Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN, Wisconsin).
Farm Weekly (Australia) - “Glyphosate press slammed as a beat-up” Mar 2 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).
Farm Weekly (Australia) - “WA Farmers celebrates year’s highlights” Feb 28 includes Kelly Manton-Pearce (GFN, Australia).
receiving a Young Farmers Award.
FarmWeekNow - "Nobody cares how long we've been farming" Sept 19 by USFRA Chair Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN, US Wisc).
Farmers Weekly - Paul Tempie (GFN, UK) quoted in “Fundamental to future food production: Brexit may allow farmers to grow GM crops” Nov 19 (Video).
Farming UK - "Bright ideas to attract bright young people" Sept 22 quotes Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farming UK - "42 leading farming figures warn against leaving EU with launch of “Farmers for In” Mar 5 includes Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "Opinion: Tough times breed entrepreneurs" Dec 15 column by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "Farming shouldn't be about machismo and muscles" Nov 11 by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "Future of oilseed rape at risk amid pesticide threat" Nov 11 quotes Jake Freestone (GFN, UK).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "Flea beetle set to break the barley baron" Sept 2 column by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Weekly (New Zealand) - "World award for precision farmer" Aug 24 on Craig Mackenzie (GFN, NZ).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "Opinion: 10 proposals for Andrea Leadsom" July 29 column by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "Opinion: Cereals event has bright future - if priced right” June 19 by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "Visitors set to flock to Open Farm Sunday” May 29 on annual event scheduled June 5 founded in 2006 by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Guardian, FG Insight (UK) - "Opinion: Defra should not put farmers off planting trees” May 20 by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - Apr 17 column “Soil suffers hangover after FBT’s 21st” by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Weekly (UK) - "NFU president can’t be all things to all members” Mar 11 by Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
FarmOnline (Australia) - version of Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia) Oct 27 column republished as “TPP still needed” Nov 10.
FarmOnline (Australia) - "Growers urged to think outside the square” Aug 15 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).
Farmers Weekly (Australia) - "Farmers support CropLife chemical stance” May 20 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).
FarmOnline (Australia) - "GPA welcomes change in GM thinking” Jan 8 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).
Feedstuffs (Australia) - "Iowa’s Raucous Trade Caucus” Jan 29 by Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa).
FG Insight (UK) - "Where do cover crops fit in the weed control strategy?” Dec 5 quotes Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
FG Insight (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) quoted Nov 23 in “Is farming being left behind at school?”
FG Insight (UK) - “Farming and Environment Acknowledged in New Year’s Honours List” Jan 4 with Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Farmers Guardian, FG Insight (UK) - “Investing in Innovation” Oct 7 included Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) on coverage of the Agri Innovation Den - Funding Farming’s Future.
Ferma (Romania) - "Specialists IMB continued innovation culture” Feb 13 with Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania).
FG Insight (UK) - “Taking the lab to the field” Mar 11 includes Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
Financial Mail (South Africa) - "The Drought: The perils grow” Apr 15 quotes and has picture of Derek Mathews (GFN, S. Africa).
Financial Times (UK) / FD (Netherlands) - “South Africa drought affects farmers harder than before” May 23 on Derek Mathews (GFN, S. Africa).
The Finder (Ghana) - "Fish processors lack access to agric extension officers - Study reveals” Feb 9 quotes Lydia Susu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana).
Food Navigator USA - "Soup-To-Nuts Podcast: Evolving soy’s marketing strategy beyond protein” Nov 4 includes Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN, US Wisc).
Fox News Opinion - “Why I’m proud to be an American farmer” Sept 4 by Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa).
Fresh Produce Journal (UK) - "Open Farm Sunday Offers Free Training” Feb 19 with Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).
The Fresno Bee - "Regulators shouldn’t deprive farmers of a safe pesticide” Feb 10 by Ted Sheely (Board, California).
Genetic Literacy Project - "Indian farmer: GM cotton has provided numerous benefits for farmers’ lives” May 23.
Ghana News Agency - "New fishing centre established at Bortianor” June 23 quotes Lydia Susu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana).
Ghana’s tb - “Fish processors in Winneba demand for market” Mar 22 with Lydia Susu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana).
The Ghanaian Times - "Adopt safe techniques to save fishing industry” Oct 18 quotes Lydia Susu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana) during the 2016 World Rural Women’s Day event.
Gob (Mexico) - "Modernizing livestock sector is the responsibility of authorities and farmers: SAGARPA” Oct 1 quotes Francisco Gutia Trevino (GFN, Mexico).
Grainews (Canada) - "Summer moisture was either too much or just right” Sept 6 quotes Gerrid Gust (GFN, Canada).
Grainews (Canada) - "CTF delivers improved crop emergence” Mar 11 on Steve Larocque (GFN, Canada).
Grainews (Canada) - "Farmers weigh in on “consumer demand”” Feb 10 has comments by Global Farmer Network members Gerrid Gust and Cheryl Nagel.
GrainsWest (Canada) - “The Cash Harvest - Growing Investment in Farmland Creates Difficult Decisions for Farmers and Governments” Mar 3 quotes Levi Wood (GFN, Canada).
Grand Forks Herald - “Free trade matters tremendously for North Dakota farms” July 12 by Terry Wanzek (Board, N. Dakota).
Greeley Tribune (Colorado) - "Wanzek: How using technology makes our family farm better by Terry Wanzek Aug 30.
Guardian Online (New Zealand) - “Smart farming starts with data” Nov 23 with Craige and Roz Mackenzie (GFN, New Zealand).
The Guardian, Cities - “Greenhouse in the sky: inside Europe’s biggest urban farm” Apr 27 quotes Annechien ten Have-Mellema (GFN, Netherlands).

Heritage Foundation, Backgrounder #3136 on Trade - Mary Boote (CEO, GFN) provided feedback for “Promoting Free Trade in Agriculture” July 11 by Scott Lincicome for the think-tank publication.

Hertfordshire Life (UK) - “A farmer’s life in the 21st century” Sept 27 with Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK).

High Plains / Midwest Ag Journal - “Farming is a tough job all around the world” quotes numerous GFR folks Oct 25.

The Hill - published Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa) “Protectionism: the curse that keeps on taking” Sept 19.

The Hill - “Brexit could bring United States and UK closer on trade” July 9 by Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa).

The Hindu (India) - “Pulses will not let farmers reap the benefits” Aug 12 quotes V. Ravichandran (2013 Kleckner Award, India).

The Hindu Business Line - “Smart crops getting more from less” June 8 quotes V. Ravichandran (2013 Kleckner Award, India).

Hoard’s Dairyman - Gina Gutierrez (GFN, Mexico) column in the December 2016 edition “We have to be thankful to be farmers” focused on her recent Global Farmer Roundtable experience.

Hoard’s Dairyman (Mexico) - Gina Gutierrez (GFN, Mexico) first regularly published column in the November 2016 edition!

Huffington Post, Australia - “Climate Change Affecting Australian Roses, Set To Become More Expensive” Feb 9 with Sarah Stephenson (GFN, Australia).

HuffPost Hawaii - “Farmers Are the Musicians of the Land” by Joni Kamiya (GFN, Hawaii) posted Apr 4.

IFAD, Int’l Fund ofr Agricultural Development - “Cashing in on cows” May 3 profile on dairy farm of Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya).

Il Gazzettino (Italy) - “Pordenone - In 24, tutti attivisti anti Ogm, sono stati citati a giudizio per l’ipotesi” Aug 11 with Giorgio Fidenato.

Il Giornale (Italy) - “They destroyed my corn based on manipulated studies” Feb 11 on Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy).

Il Giornale (Italy) - “Avanti con le bollicine d’oro Così i veneti si lanciano alla riconquista delle vigne” Aug 15 quotes Marco Aurelio Pasti (GFN Italy).

Il Giornale (Italy) - “Otra señal del Gobierno para impulsar la siembra de trigo” Nov 16 by Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa), which originally appeared on FoxNews.com.

Iowa Agribusiness Radio Network - “Cash crunch leaves farmers in a bind” Oct 15 quotes PPS Pangil (GFN, India).

Iowa Agribusiness Radio Network - “Farmers without help from government” Oct 15 quotes Jane Smith (GFN, New Zealand).

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - GFN guest column by Duane Grant Nov 1 as “Efforts to Label GMO Sugar Leave a Sour Taste”.

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - “Knowing hunger drove farmer to help feed others” Sept 19 (Sept 21 print) by Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa), which originally appeared on FoxNews.com.

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - “Farmers must speak up for trade in hostile political climate” Aug 3 edition by Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa).

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - May 25 column by Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa) “Is the EPA abandoning science as it reviews crop protection products?”

Iowa Farm Bureau - “There are economic consequences to mandatory GMO labeling” Mar 21 reposted column by Joanna Lidback (Board, Vermont). It was also included in the Mar 23 print edition of the Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman.

Iowa Farm Bureau - “Iowa farmers call for biotech cooperation” Sept 8 on Pam Johnson (GFN, US Iowa).

Iowa Farmer Today - “Senate oversight hearing examines atrazine, anhydrous regulations” Aug 25, Jim Zimmerman (GFN, Wisconsin) provided testimony at hearing.

Iowa Farm Bureau Spokesman - “Farmers must speak up for trade in hostile political climate” Aug 3 edition by Tim Burrack (Vice Chair, Iowa).

IRRI (Int’l Rice Research Inst) - V. Ravichandran (2013 Kleckner Award, India) won the IR8 Essay writing contest in Dec with “How will innovations in the global rice sector change the world again?”

Internazionale (Italy) - “Prohibit research on embryos and GM has a very high cost” Mar 21 references Giorgio Fidenato (GFN).

JPNN (Indonesia) - “Australian meat importers in Indonesia admitted not much to gain” Apr 11 with William Bulo (GFN, Indonesia).

LA7 (Italy) - “Il dura vita dell’agricoltore che vuole gli OGM” Jan 22 television interview with Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy).

La Capital (Argentina) - “Noises in agriculture” July 13 quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).

La Depeche (France) - “L’agriculture au féminin” Apr 12 has picture including Sarah Singla (GFN, France).

La Jornada (Mexico) - “Sagarpa carries out actions to strengthen dairy sector” Dec 25 quotes Francisco Gurria (GFN, Mexico).

La Jornada (Mexico) - “Mexico and Cuba will negotiate livestock exports” Feb 14 with Franco Gurría Trevino (GFN, Mexico).

L’Allier Agricole (France) - “Agriculture de conservation: la preuve par trois” Dec 13 with Sarah Singla (GFN, France).

La Nacion (Argentina) - “Otra señal del Gobierno para impulsar la siembra de trigo” Apr 12 quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).

La Capital (Argentina) - “Puerto Rico un nuevo “la expectativa de las cadenas se traslada a la producción”.

La Capital (Argentina) - “Another signal of the Government for promoting the sowing of trigo” Apr 12 cites David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).

La Radio Pais (Uruguay) - “What is the condition of crops in the US?” July 29 interview with Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay).
La Stampa (Italy) - “L'appello di 2400 imprenditori: “Senza il mais Ogm l'Italia muore” June 10 with Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy).
La Tribuna (Honduras) - “Promote new biotechnologies to strengthen livestock production” May 18 quotes Isidro Matamoros (GFN, Honduras).
The Land (Australia) - “Little data, big gains” June 16 quotes Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).
The Land (Australia) - “Recognising agriculture’s role” Apr 10 interview with Andrew Weidemann (GFN, Australia).
LandbrugsAvisen (Denmark) - “Hollandsk svineproducer: Vær aktiv på sociale medier”[translated as Dutch pig producer: be active on social media] Oct 27 on Annechien Ten Have Mellema (GFN, Netherlands).
LaPolítica Online (Argentina) - “El Gobierno promete que mantendrá las fuentes laborales del INTA” Oct 11 quotes María Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina).
The Manila Times - “Corn farmers bat for exports” Mar 29 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).
The Manila Times - “Corn growers urged govt to approve new GMO rules” Feb 21 quotes Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines).
Manitoba Co-Operator - Nov 2 story “The rural Manitoba advantage” on event Les Kletke (GFN, Canada) keynote spoke at and includes mention of him attending the Global Farmer Roundtable.
Mercopress (S. America) - “Argentina forecasted to increase wheat area by 25% for a 15/16 million tons crop” May 18 quotes David Hughes (GFN, Argentina).
Messaggero Veneto (Italy) - “Oggi, Fidenato chiude 166 mila euro a Stato e Regione” July 17 on Giorgio Fidenato (GFN, Italy).
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Looking healthy & nourished because of another biotechnological applications such as the Vaccines all of us get from our Clinics.

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Sustainable Food Leadership Summit 2015 (Annechien ten Have Mellema)

The Tribune (India) - Facilities for paddy purchase reviewed (Gurjeet Singh Mann)

China’s seed thefts in wheat yield (Gurjeet Singh Mann, GFN, India)

Twitter, Table for Twenty - Sergio Bortolozzo (GFN, Brazil)

Twitter, @foodintegrity - Nancy Kavazanjian (GFN-US, Wisconsin)

Southern Crop Production Association - Is an Abundance in Harvest a Good Thing for Farmers? (Bill Horan column)

Valorsocial.com - El desafío de David Hughes [GFN, Argentina]: hacer que los productores dejen de considerar al trigo...

Western Canadian Wheat Growers - Wheat Growers statement on the federal Transportation 2030 plan (Levi Wood)

Western Canadian Wheat Growers - Successful Wheat Growers 46th annual convention... (Levi Wood, Cherilyn Nagel)

Western Producer (Canada) - Ag Biz - Ubc - Indigenous [translated] (Roman Zarzecha-GFN, Poland)

Williston Herald (N. Dakota) - ND farmers get a voice on national ag stage (quotes Terry Wanzek - bd, N. Dakota)

WNAX Radio (S. Dakota) - Former NCGA President Backs Hillary Clinton (Pam Johnson)

WNAX Radio (S. Dakota) - North Dakota State Senator Disappointed With Ballot Results (Terry Wanzek-Bd, N. Dakota)

World Food Prize, 2016 Side Events

Yaho! News - In Iowa corn fields, Chinese national’s seed theft exposes vulnerability (Tim Burrack, Reuters)

YouTube, AgWeb / AgriTalk - columns used via AgWeb / AgriTalk - Global Farmer Roundtable, Wed 12 Oct

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YouTube, AgriTalk - Brexit may allow farmers to grow GM crops (Paul Temple-GFN, UK)

YouTube, AgriTalk - Scholars at dinner call for a Global Ag Charter (Katie MCowan, GFN)

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YouTube, AgriTalk - Transformation AgTech Conference - Precision Agriculture and Its Benefits (Craig Mackenzie - GFN, New Zealand)

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YouTube, Informatore agrario (Italy) - Ian Pigott, addressing the pesticide issue for non farmers (2014 Kleckner Award, UK)

Zacarian.com (Philippines) - DA urges to release permits of more Bt corn varieties (Roger Navarro-GFN, Philippines)

Zamorano Univ (Honduras) - US tour: Students of Ag Engineering Learn Animal Production (Isidro Matamoros-GFN)
**Organizational & Other Activity:** events, panels, speaking engagements, and more of GFN members.

**2016 Global Farmer Roundtable** - held week of October 10 in Des Moines, Iowa during the same week as the World Food Prize. Another fantastic week with a fantastic group of 13 new Global Farmer Network members and 2 new countries participating for the first time - Nepal and Rwanda.

**Food Heroes Celebrated at World Food Prize** - "Celebrating 30 Years of Impact: Farmers and the World Food Prize Laureates Who Changed Their Lives" - Ruramiso Mashumba (GFN, Zimbabwe) and PPS Pangli (GFN, India) on Oct 12 panel with WFP Laureates Prof. MS Swaminathan and Dr. Howard Bouis that was moderated by Julie Borlaug.

**2016 Kleckner Award Winner – Maria Giraudo, Argentina**

**Africa Green Revolution Forum** - Lydia Sasu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana) and Gilbert arap Bor (2011 Kleckner Award, Kenya) involved Sept 5-9 in Nairobi, Kenya.

**7th African Agriculture Science Week** (AASW7) and FARA General Assembly (Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa) - Gilbert arap Bor (2011 Kleckner Award, Kenya) invited to be part of AATF side event "Taking Biotech Crops to the Market in SSA: Special Focus on Policy and Regulatory Environment" and also Lydia Sasu (2015 Kleckner Award, Ghana) on two side events on protein and smallholders in Africa; event in Kigali, Rwanda June 13-16.

**Ag Outlook 2016 - Farming Your Future** - Les Kletke (GFN, Canada) spoke Feb 17 in Dauphin and Feb 18 in Roblin, Manitoba.


**N8 AgriFood** - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) as Chair gave the welcome and opening address to the ‘Grain Market Outlook Conference 2016’ Oct 12 in London.

**American Jersey Cattle Association** - Joanna Lidback (Board, Vermont) was recognized with a Young Jersey Breeder Award at the 2016 national conference in San Diego during early July. Congratulations!

**APAD, L'Association pour la Promotion d'une Agriculture Durable** - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) spoke Mar 2 at “Réinventer et pratiquer l'agriculture de demain : les clefs du succès” and hosted a training day Mar 30.


**BioThinkKnowology** - Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) invited to speak Apr 25 to the UP League of Agricultural Biotechnology Students at the Univ. of the Philippines Los Banos.

**Bangladesh Bt Eggplant** - Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) was part of a study tour of twelve Filipino delegates in late February.

**12th National Biotechnology Week** (Philippines) - Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) received an award at event held Nov 21-25.

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**7th Annual Canadian Forage & Grassland Association Conference** - Joas van Oord (GFN, Canada) gave a “Virtual Farm Tour” at event Nov 15-17 in Winnipeg.

**Wheat Growers 46th Annual Convention** (Canada) - Mar 1-3 in New Orleans, Louisiana (Cherilyn Nagel, Levi Wood)

**CECS, The Economic and Cooperative Council of Saskatchewan** - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN, Canada) on panel Oct 14-16.
Chicago Council for Global Affairs, Global Food Security Symposium 2016 - Mary Boote (CEO) attended Apr 26 in Washington, DC.

CIMMYT 50 - Maria Giraudo (2016 Kleckner Award, Argentina) presented Sept 28 on “Agricultural Innovation and Rural Transformation in Latin America” in Mexico City. It is the 50th anniversary of the Int’l Maize and Improvement Center (CIMMYT).

Commodity Classic - Mar 3-5, 2016 in New Orleans, Louisiana (Bill Horan, Tim Burrack, Mary Boote).


2016 Concordia Summit - Mary Boote (CEO) invited and took part in strategic dialogue focused on “humane and sustainable global food supply” Sept 19-20 in New York City.

Congreso Maizal 2016 - Sergio Bortolozzo (GFN, Brazil) on panel July 6 “Alianzas Internacionales: El Camino Posible”in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Strengthening Cooperatives in East Africa - Gilbert Arap Bor (2011 Kleckner Award, Kenya) participated at conference in Kampala, Uganda in late January.

Cup of Excellence, Brazil 2016 - Luiz Roberto Saldanha Rodrigues (GFN, Brazil) was organizer of specialty coffee competition Oct 23-29 in Jacarezinho, Brazil.

Dairy Conference (Mexico) - Gina Gutierrez (GFN, Mexico) attended conference in Mexico City the week of Nov 14.

Danish Pig Producers Congress - Annechen ten Have Mellema (GFN, Netherlands) spoke Oct 25-26 on “Improved conditions for pig producers in the EU” in Jutland, Denmark at event that draws about 2200 delegates from across the industry. PDF of presentation.

Delaware State Fair, Farmer Panel - Jennie Schmidt (Maryland) who blogs as The Foodie Farmer participated July 29 on a panel co-hosted by USDA and DuPont with over 30 ag attaches, high level USDA and State of Delaware officials, and members of the Delaware congressional delegation, to help provide them perspective “American Farmers: Innovation and Trade – a dialogue on the intersections of technology, modern agriculture, and trade for contemporary farmers.”

Demonstration Day at Wilsam Dairies (Kenya) - Willy Kirwa (GFN, Kenya) hosted a demonstration and training day Aug 17 at his farm teaching about the making of quality silage. There were over four hundred invited to the event.

Dutch Dairy Week in Ukraine - Kees Huizinga (GFN, Ukraine) hosted visit at farm Sept 5-10.

2016 EU Agricultural Outlook Conf - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) spoke Dec 6-7 in Brussels, Belgium on “Conservation agriculture, a concrete win-win solution for reducing GHG emissions in the crops sector” (PDF of presentation).

European Commission - “Towards a performing agriculture: Soil IS First” presentation June 15 by Sarah Singla (GFN, France)

FICCI, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry - Roger Navarro (GFN, Philippines) and Jai Pal Reddy (GFN, India) spoke Jan 27 at workshop on “Sustainable Agriculture: Harnessing Technologies - Harvesting Prosperity” in Ahmedabad, India.

Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) -Gilbert arap Bor (GFN, Kenya) invited to be part of AATF side event “Taking Biotech Crops to the Market in SSA: Special Focus on Policy and Regulatory Environment” in Kigali, Rwanda June 13-16.

Expoagro (Argentina) - David Hughes (GFN, Argentina) took part of press conference Mar 9 as part of ArgenTrigo. Maria Beatriz Giraudo (GFN, Argentina) also had prominent role as head of AAPRESID at the event the took place Mar 8-11.

Farm & Food Care (Canada) - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN, Canada) on panel “Public trust in food from my seat at the table” at May 31-

June 1 event “Public Trust Summit - Connecting the dots & tackling the trends” in Ottawa.

Farm Foundation, The Future of Agricultural Trade - Mary Boote (CEO) was a panelist on “Protecting Intellectual Property Rights and Trade” Jan 8, 2016 in Tucson, Arizona. Board members Bill Horan, Carol Keiser and Hope Pjesky also attended.

French Association of Agroforestry - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) conducted “Training: How to successfully transition to direct seeding” Nov 23 & Dec 9.

Giornata del mais 2016 (Italy) - Marco Pasti (GFN, Italy) involved at Feb 8 event in Bergamo, Italy.

Global Agribusiness Forum 2016 (GAF16) - Sergio Bortolozzo (GFN, Brazil) and Pam Johnson (GFN, US Iowa) spoke at event July 4-5, 2016 in Sao Paulo, Brazil

Awareness on safety of GM and Bt crops - Sudhindra Kulkami (GFN, India) invited to meet with Dr. Janardhan at Univ. of Mysore
June 7 to help plan awareness campaign with farmers in southern regions of India in the upcoming months.

GMASSURE - Motlatsi Musi (GFN, S. Africa) and Balwinder Singh Kang (GFN, India) participated Aug 20 via Skype interview with program that had 26 top biotech regulators from 16 different countries hosted for a few weeks by Dr. Kalaitzandonakes from the University of Missouri. The farmers described their operations and experience with biotech crops before fielding questions from the regulators. Dr. Kalaitzandonakes has moderated recent Global Farmer Roundtables.

INZBC Summit (India New Zealand Business Council) - Craig Mackenzie (GFN, New Zealand) spoke mid-June in Auckland.

2nd Latin American Veterinary Congress - Dr. Isidro Matamoros (GFN, Honduras) spoke on “Controlled traffic farming: Building resilient farming systems” in Denver, Colorado.

Great Plains Soil Fertility Conference - Steve Larocque (GFN, Canada) spoke Mar 1 on “Controlled traffic farming: Building resilient farming systems” in Denver, Colorado.

Groundswell, The No-Till Show and Conference - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) and Sarah Singla (GFN, France) were speakers at event June 30 in Hertfordshire, UK.


2016 Grow Asia Forum - Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) invited to event hosted by the Grow Asia Partnership in collaboration with the World Economic Forum May 31 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Illinois US Senate Candidate Forum - on Aug 24 Dan Kelley (Board, Illinois) hosted on his farm a political forum for Republican incumbent Mark Kirk and Democratic challenger Tammy Duckworth. Event was sponsored by the Illinois Farm Bureau.

Letter to Gov’t of India, Agriculture Ministry - Sudhindra Kulkarni (GFN, India) as Chairman of the Council for Rural Development and Agriculture Technology Society, sent a letter July 1 “Subject - Technology in agriculture is important to tackle modern day challenges like climate change, pest management, and increased demand” against the cotton seed price control order.

40th Indian Social Science Congress 2016 - Sudhindra Kulkarni (GFN, India) spoke on his experience with Bt cotton at Dec 19-23 event organized by the University of Mysore.

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2016 National Milk Producers Federation - Joanna Lidback (GFN Board, Vermont) at annual meeting Oct 31-Nov 2 in Nashville.

MOP/COP Meeting for the Convention on Biological Diversity/Biosafety Protocol - Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) invited to be on CropLife Int’l event panel Dec 12 event in Cancun, Mexico.

National Agri-Marketing Association Cornhusker Chapter - Kim Lang (GFN Social Media Lead) was on a panel “Communicating About GMO’s” Mar 15 in Lincoln, Nebraska.

2016 Navajo Nation Economic Summit & 6th Annual Business Opportunity Day - Tsosie Lewis (GFN, US New Mexico) was on a panel at event Apr 11-14 in Flagstaff, Arizona.

Embassy of the Netherlands, Washington, DC - Annechien ten Have Mellema (GFN, Netherlands) will give a presentation on reduction of antibiotics use in animal agriculture for a seminar at the embassy Apr 10.

New Jersey Agricultural Society - John Rigolizzo, Jr. (Board, New Jersey) is the society’s 2016 Gold Medallion Award recipient.

Nova Agriculture in Campo, Fourth Edition - Giuseppe Elias (GFN, Italy) presented July 21 at precision farming event in Italy.

Open Farm Sunday (UK) - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) founded event in 2006 and was awarded an OBE (Most Excellent...
Order of the British Empire) for it as over 1.6 million people have since visited a farm. June 5 was this year’s date and more than 400 farms hosted 250,000 people. Click here to see “Open Farm Sunday 2015 Sharing Successes” [PDF] and Farmers Weekly posted photos from this year.


OptiTill - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) spoke at conference Nov 3 in Denmark.


Perspectivas Agropecuarias 2016 edition - Gabriel Carballal (GFN, Uruguay) was interviewed for a piece included in the book on Uruguayan agriculture.

Philippine National Corn Congress - Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) spoke on “Role and Opportunities for Women in Corn Farming” Nov 17.

Farmer Conference in Clechanowiec, Poland - Roman Warzecha (GFN, Poland) spoke Feb 23.

Pollinotec, Innovative Agriculture: Challenges and Solutions for Sustainable and Competitive Food Production - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) on panel “Public Opinion and Innovation” Jan 12 in Brussels, Belgium - 35 min VIDEO.

Pollinator: Pipettes and Ploughs: Taking the Lab to the Field - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) spoke at Feb 23 event on “Why I invited scientists and seed breeders to conduct a farm scale trial on my farm” at Rothamsted Research.

PrecisionAg Institute - at the InfoAg Conference Aug 2-4 in St. Louis, Missouri Craige Mackenzie (GFN, New Zealand) was presented with the Farmer of the Year award - Congratulations!

Precision Agriculture Association New Zealand (PAANZ) - Craige Mackenzie (GFN, NZ) chair of the workshop “Technology to reduce N leaching” Sept 2 in Hastings, New Zealand.

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Presidental Nominees Agricultural Advisory Teams - Carol Keiser (Board, Florida) on the National Agricultural Advisory committee for President-Elect Donald Trump, as is Tsosie Lewis (GFN, New Mexico). Keiser’s recent column Making A Best-Case “Pivot To Trade” Scenario For Trump was distributed to the entire advisory team. Pam Johnson (GFN, Iowa) was on the Agricultural Advisory Committee for Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton.

Principal Forum De Pesquisa Do Complexo Agropecuario Da Soja (Brazil) - Richard Dijkstra (GFN, Brazil) on panel about integrated pest management (IPM) at July 5-6 event in Londrina, Brazil.

Real Dirt on Farming Speaker Training - Cherilyn Nagel (GFN, Canada) was speaker/trainer at workshop Oct 5 in Saskatoon.

Romanian Agriculture Leadership Forum (RALF) - Lucian Buzdugan (GFN, Romania) spoke Nov 10 in Bucharest.

Saddle Hills County Watershed Mgmt & Resiliency Workshop - Les Kletke (GFN, Canada) spoke Oct 31 in Alberta, Canada.

SEARCA BIC (Southeast Asia) - Rosalie Ellasus (2007 Kleckner Award, Philippines) along with others spoke Sept 26 in Pasig City for event focused on women’s groups to enlighten them on modern biotech in the Philippines.

The Sentry Conference 2016 - Ian Pigott (2014 Kleckner Award, UK) was conference chairman for event “Keeping UK Agriculture in the 1st Division” at Newmarket Feb 3 - YouTube video.

Silver Engineer Award - Roman Warzecha (GFN, Poland) was bestowed the award Mar 9 in Warsaw for the science category.

Soil Conservation Agriculture Conf. - Sarah Singla (GFN, France) on panel Sept 16 at ENSFEA in Toulouse-Auzville, France.

South of England Farming Conference - Jake Freestone (GFN, UK) spoke Nov 16 at “Sustainability - What Does It Mean?” Table for Twenty - Moliatisi Musi (GFN, S. Africa) participated at event in late November held in South Africa.

Top Notch Farming Conference (Canada) - Gerrid Gust (GFN, Canada) spoke Feb 25 on importance of trade missions.

Transforming AgTech Conference: Digital Technology & Agriculture - Craige Mackenzie presented on precision agriculture Apr 21 at the Silicon Valley Forum's conference in California.

Agri Invest Forum (Ukraine) - Kees Huizinga (GFN, Ukraine) panelist, “Problems and strategies of development” May 17 in Kiev.

Unasylva (FAO journal of forestry) - Bishnu Poudyal (GFN, Nepal) was co-author of “Grassroots facilitators as agents of change for promoting sustainable forest management: lessons learned from REDD+ capacity development in Asia” (PDF article link).

US Farmers & Ranchers Alliance - Bill Horan (Chair, Iowa) took part in the Sustainability Summit May 17 in Chicago and conducted a number of interviews afterwards.

US Senate Field Hearing - Jim Zimmerman (GFN, US Wisconsin) took part in a field hearing Aug 17 in Dubuque, Iowa “From Crop to Craft Beer: Federal Regulation’s Impact on America’s Food and Agriculture”.

USDA Agricultural Outlook Forum - Paul Temple (GFN, UK) invited to speak at 93rd annual forum “A New Horizon: The Future of Agriculture” in the Washington, DC area Feb 23-24. Temple is to give an outline of Brexit implications for the UK.

WASWAC World Conference III (World Association of Soil and Water Conservation) - Roberto Peiretti (GFN, Argentina) was presented with a Distinguished Extensionist Award for 2016 at event held Aug 22-26 in Bergrade, Serbia.

World Economic Forum, India Economic Summit 2016 - V. Ravichandran (2013 Kleckner Award, India) participated Oct 6-7 in New Delhi, India.


Young Farmers Award, WAFarmers (Australia) - Kelly Manton-Pearce (GFN, Australia) received a Young Farmers Award from the Western Australian Farmers Federation