

7th European Conference on Precision Livestock Farming (EC-PLF)

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Deadlines

Abstract submission	September 1st - November 1st, 2014
Notification of acceptance	December 1st, 2014
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The Joint European Conference on Precision Livestock Farming is combining the **7th European Conference on Precision Livestock Farming (EC-PLF)** and the third workshop of the **EU-PLF project**.

This conference brings together the world of specialists in Precision Livestock Farming and provides an opportunity to researchers and professionals to build connections and get insight into the most recent research and developments in Precision Livestock Farming.

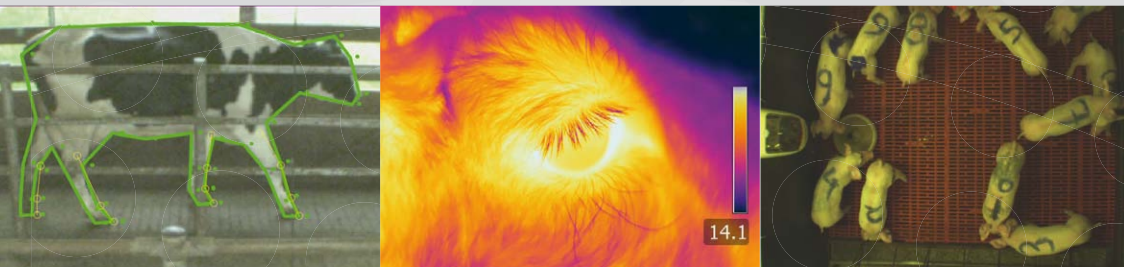
PLF (Precision Livestock Farming)

Precision Livestock Farming (PLF) is the concept of creating smart animal farming by using real-time image and sound analysis, sensors and information technology to monitor animal health, welfare and production. PLF supplements the skills of the farmer, veterinarian and inspector by the continuous and automated collection of livestock information. PLF can play a crucial role in the early detection of diseases and objectively assesses animal welfare in modern livestock production.

We aim for 20 homogeneous sessions (4 oral presentations each) and 2 poster sessions on PLF topics such as: use of image analysis, sound analysis and sensors on: cows, pigs, poultry, horses, goats and sheep as well as in aquaculture and incubators.

The goal of PLF

With the growing world population, the demand for food is steadily increasing. More and more countries nowadays can afford animal protein and have a higher interest in consuming meat. As a consequence, meat consumption and the demand for other animal products are constantly growing. As a result of this higher demand for meat products, global and EU animal food production are undergoing major transformations which however impact animal health & welfare as well as the environment. In order to resolve these issues, majorly directly related to the world population's health, PLF technology aims at finding lasting solutions which ensure livestock production to be safe for consumption, animal-friendly and environmentally sustainable.



Venue: the City of Milan

Milan is the main industrial, commercial and financial centre of Italy and a leading global city. Its business district hosts the Borsa Italiana (Italy's main stock exchange) and the headquarters of the largest national banks and companies. The city is a major world fashion and design capital. Thanks to its important museums, theatres and landmarks (including the Milan Cathedral, the fifth largest cathedral in the world, and Santa Maria delle Grazie, decorated with Leonardo da Vinci paintings, a UNESCO World Heritage Site), Milan attracts over 6 million annual visitors. It hosts numerous cultural institutions and universities, with 185,000 enrolled students in 2011, i.e. 11 percent of the national total.

The city is also well known for several international events and fairs, including Milan Fashion Week and the Milan Furniture Fair, the largest of its kind in the world, and will host the 2015 Universal Exposition.

Access

Milan can easily be reached by car, train and airplane.

Linate Airport is about 10 km from Milan city centre.

Take bus N° 73 to the city centre and get off at Piazza San Babila (close to the underground station - line 1/red line), a few minutes walk from the Università degli Studi di Milano.

Malpensa Airport is about 50 km from Milan city centre. There are trains (Malpensa express) and bus (Malpensa shuttle) to the Central Station and to Cadorna Railway Station. Once you are at Cadorna station take Bus 94 (direction P.ta Nuova) if you intend to go to Via Festa del Perdono. The Central Station (Stazione Centrale), Milan's main railway station, is located at the hub of the transport network.

This is also where two of the main underground lines intersect (line 2/ green line; line 3/yellow line).

Buses (54, 60, 73, 84, 94) trams (12, 14, 15, 16, 23, 24, 27) and the underground (Duomo station- line 1; Missori station- line 3) all stop nearby.

Meeting Centre

**Main building of the University of Milan
Via Festa del Perdono 7 - 20122 Milano**

The University of Milan was one of the institutions that helped to found LERU, the League of European Research Universities, and is the only Italian University to be a member of the organisation. Thanks to its commitment to basic and applied research, the University is among the top institutions in the main national and international rankings.

Conference Organiser: Prof. Marcella Guarino, UNIMI, Milan

