**2022, year to celebrate the success of the No-Till System in Brazil**

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2022 will be a special year for the No-Till System (NTS) in Brazil!

18thNational No-Till System Meeting (18thNNTSM); First Global No-Till System Meeting (1st GNTSM); celebrating 50 years of the first works with the system in Brazil and 30 years of FEBRAPDP – Brazilian Federation of the No-Till System.

Between July 5 and 8, Foz do Iguaçu city, in the state of Paraná, Brazil, will be the center of this great celebration. This year, the event will be 100% in person, different from the last edition, which was online, due to Covid-19. An audience of 800 people is expected to attend the multiple meeting. The highlight of the program is the 18th NNTSM, organized by FEBRAPDP focused on key issues such as soil and life preservation and the future generations.

According to the president of the entity, Mr. Jônadan Ma, this year, the 4-day activities program will include technical lectures, field day and visitation, when participants will be able to take a closer look at the four different aspects of the sustainable agriculture reality. There will be visits to: - Lar Agro-industrial Cooperative; - small farmers; - mid-size farmers and farmers from Paraguay, where visitors will be able to see the important work developed by the neighboring country with the No-Till System.

“The event is ready and set to become the largest and one of the most important meetings in the history of the Brazilian Federation, FEBRAPDP. By celebrating memorable dates, it will bring us together, strength and challenge us for what is coming in the next 50 years. I am sure that the system will continue to boost the development of a truly sustainable agriculture in the country and around the world. The No-till System is responsible for turning Brazil into a global agricultural power in food production in the most sustainable way”, highlights Ma.

**Program**

For João Carlos de Moraes Sá – Juca Sá –, professor at Universidade Estadual de Ponta Grossa - UEPG and member of FEBRAPDP, the event will be a historical milestone, especially for the No-till System Golden Jubilee commemorative panel showing the achievements of farmers in soil and environment preservation in the last 50 years. A tribute will be paid to those who have made profound contributions over these five decades, by granting them with the Herbert Bartz Medal of Honor.

According to Juca Sá, each one of the four panels will include a mix of presentations about the greatest technical and scientific advances generated by academic research and presentations on the farmers and consultants, when practical aspects of what is being applied in the field will be discussed. You can access the full program by clicking [here.](https://plantiodireto.org.br/18enpdp/programacao)

**On-site demonstration during an afternoon field trip**

According to Ricardo Ralisch, professor at Universidade Estadual de Londrina – UEL, FEBRAPDP advisor and member of the event´s organizing committee, the 18th NNTSM afternoon field trip will take place on July 6 at the well-located and of easy access experimental area in Foz do Iguaçu city.

“The area available is excellent, which will allow us to set up an adequate structure, so that the public can make the most of the information. Some alternative winter crops will be presented as well as crop rotation proposals to optimize No-Till System for cereals and for other activities such as vegetables and crop-livestock integration, for instance. Demo trenches and soil profiles will illustrate the importance of preserving soil structure, which promotes soil biological activity and fertility, to preserve the soil, life and the future generations, which is the theme of the event and the basis for the No-Till System with quality”, says Ralisch.

**Open registrations for the 18th NNTSM and 1st GNTSM**

Registrations and papers must be sent to the official website of the 18th NNTSM and 1st GNTSM website launched in February of this year. Click here to register.

For Jeankleber Bortoluzzi, Brazilian Federation of No-Till System (FEBRAPDP) Manager and Projects Coordinator, registrations are divided into two categories: Student and Farmers /Professional. “Registrations are divided into three lots with backwards discounts. In the first lot, due on April 15, the fee for students is R$ 240.00 and R$ 410.00 for farmers or professionals”.

Bortoluzzi also emphasizes that, in 2021, with the changes in its statute, the Federation started to allow the association of individuals and legal entities. Among the benefits offered to members is a 20% discount on the registration fee for this event. “Those who are already members, the registration will be recognized by the system, which automatically gives a 20% discount, regardless of the registration period”.

There is still time for those who are not members to join FEBRAPDP ([www.febrapdp.org.br](http://www.febrapdp.org.br) ) and obtain this and other benefits. To do so, just access the site and make your association according to your modality. FEBRAPDP membership costs per year start at R$ 50.00 for students and go up to R$ 200.00 for rural producers. Respectively, the discount obtained in the registration for the event in the first lot would be R$ 48.00 for students and R$ 82.00 for farmers and professionals.

"In addition to the discount for members, we also have the discount for group registrations, as follows: 5% for groups of five to nine people, 10% for groups of 10 to 14 people, 15% for groups of 15 to 19 people, and 20% for groups of 20 or more people," says Bortoluzzi.

**Food-truck and regional products**

The official hotel of the event will be the Grand Carimã Resort & Convention Center, which offers a special discount to participants of the event. The hotel recently underwent a major renovation to serve the public for both the event and for lodging and meals.

According to Bortoluzzi, the hotel's buffet will be available as a meal option. There will be the possibility for the public to have meals at the food court of Shopping Catuaí Palladium, which is very close to the hotel and has 4 restaurants and 26 fast-food options to suit all tastes.

"After the plenary activities on the second day of the event (July 6), we will have the Field Afternoon in the experimental area of the agricultural school, and, to make the most of the whole structure and the exhibitors who will be participating in the field, we recommend that the participants go directly to the field after the plenary. Some food-truck options and also a tent with regional products produced by the Escola Agrícola de Foz do Iguaçu will be available to participants", he informs.

**1st Global No-Till System Meeting**

The 2022 edition will also celebrate 50 years of No-Till System in Latin America and, for this, the 1st Global No-Till System Meeting is being prepared, which will be held together with a schedule of lectures involving renowned consultants from around the world, with translation of the content. On the event's website the public can also check the full schedule of activities.

Bortoluzzi also explains that the technical lecture program and the field activity are included in the registration fee. On the fourth and last day of the event, there will be some visits. For these visits, specifically, the number of places is limited and there will be separate and optional registration to participants of the event.

**Show your paper!**

The organization of the event is receiving short abstract of studies, in Portuguese, Spanish or English, whose data will be presented on a poster during the event. More details can be requested from [febrapdo@febrapdp.org.br](mailto:febrapdo@febrapdp.org.br)

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