

i2connect Summer School 2023

Dear colleagues

We are delighted to announce that we are opening our call for applications to the **second i2connect summer schools** from today. One of the key objectives of the i2connect project is to strengthen the skills, competencies, and attitudes of future advisors to support interactive innovation. This is a fantastic opportunity for university teachers and students to acquire or strengthen interactive innovation skills.

The summer school event will take place from **11 to 15 September 2023** at the University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany and two online meetings (in July and autumn). We are looking for 20 applicants from universities this year to attend¹.

We kindly ask you to disseminate this information through your networks especially to students (undergraduate, postgraduate, PhD candidates) in Agriculture and related Departments, Faculties and/or Universities in your countries in order to identify potential "i2connect summer school" participants.

Applicants to the i2connect Summer School should have some knowledge of innovation, agriculture, communication and/or facilitation and related topics. A good command of the English language is also considered necessary.

In the attached document, you will find an overview of the summer school program. Part of the costs associated with participation in the summer school will be covered by the i2connect project. Please forward this document together with the application form to potential candidates.

The selection procedure will look as follows:

Until 30th of April Application deadline

Selection phase

10th of May Invitation of selected candidates with additional information Latest 10/05/2023 Response from selected candidates and transfer of contribution

If needed, please support students in finding scholarships to cover travelling costs.

Yours sincerely,

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¹ Our third summer schools will be held 2024 in Ireland.

