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## Congress

### XXXI International Seminar of Ergonomics

The upcoming 31st Seminar's main topic will be "Human factors in a contemporary organization". We hope it will allow us to broaden more the issues of ergonomics which were discussed in the last years.

Poznan - POLAND May 23th - 25th 2018

Links : <http://www.iset.poznan.pl>

Tags : Health and decent work

## Publications

### **Meat processing company staff as innovation intermediaries: developing a framework from New Zealand's red meat sector**

The case study included the development of a trial agricultural extension system established by staff from meat processing companies acting as innovation intermediaries, providing opportunities for skill development and knowledge transfer for farmers. Meat processing companies have the potential to raise farm and sector productivity by directly working with farmers. This study assesses how commercial companies can undertake the roles of innovation intermediaries to increase productivity in New Zealand's sheep and beef sector.

Links : <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/1389224X.2018.1435419?af=R>

Tags : Skills and training, Value chains

### **Determining the efficiency of contractors in clearing invasive alien plant species: The case of the Mopani District, Limpopo province, South Africa**

We analyse the efficiencies of 49 contractors in two catchments for three time periods, namely 2003 to 2006, 2007 to 2010 and 2011 to 2014. It was found that the size of the contract areas allocated for clearing decreased slightly from 2003 to 2014, while the unit costs (in real terms) have increased considerably.

Links : <http://afjare.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2.-Morokong-et-al.pdf>

Tags : Entrepreneur

### **Health Insurance and National Farm Policy**

In the midst of national healthcare debates, there has been little discussion of how health, healthcare costs and access, and health insurance fit into national agriculture policy efforts to build a more vibrant and resilient farm economy. Yet Inwood (2015) found that 65% of commercial farmers identified the cost of health insurance as the most serious threat to their farm, more significant than the cost of land, inputs, market conditions, or development pressure. In order to grow the next generation of farmers and increase rural prosperity, there is a need to understand how healthcare costs, access, and insurance affect both agriculture and rural development

Links : <http://www.aaea.org/publications/publications-update/health-insurance-and-national-farm-policy>

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