To all ISOBUS interested parties, AEF is pleased to announce the opening of registration for the Spring 2018 AEF Plugfest activities, to be held

**May 14 – 18, 2018**

**at**

Embassy Suites Lincoln  
1040 P Street  
Lincoln Nebraska,  
United States

Plugfest activities are tentatively scheduled as follows:

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<td>May 15</td>
<td>Plugfest Equipment Setup</td>
<td>8:00 AM – 8:45 AM</td>
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<td>Welcome Announcement &amp; Kick-off</td>
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<td>Plugfest Dinner</td>
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Additional meetings:

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<td>AEF PT04: Service &amp; Diagnostics</td>
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<td>AEF PT06: Communication &amp; Marketing</td>
<td>8:00 AM – 12:00 PM</td>
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<td>AEF Conference Day</td>
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<td>Conference AEF &amp; AgGateway</td>
<td>2:00 PM – 5:00 PM</td>
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<td>May 18</td>
<td>AEF PT01: Conformance Test</td>
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<td>AEF PT03: Engineering &amp; Implementation</td>
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<td>AEF PT09: FMIS</td>
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**Registration**

Event Registration within the AEF ISOBUS Database is required to attend all or part of the Plugfest activities. If the Plugfest registration is not possible due to not paid membership or license fees, please contact your AEF Database administrator and take care of any outstanding invoices.

**Visitors**

Visitor registration is available to those who are observing the AEF activities and are not involved in testing activities. AEF members may register as Visitor by logging in to the AEF ISOBUS Database using company-supplied credentials and then following the Plugfest link on the database home page. Non-members will follow a link on the database welcome page to create temporary login credentials, and then register via the Plugfest link within the database.
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Participants

AEF membership is required for Participant registration and applies to anyone who is directly or indirectly involved with testing activities. AEF members use company-supplied credentials to access the database and then register by following the Plugfest link. AEF Membership inquiries related to Plugfest participation should be directed to AEF Office (office@aef-online.org) no later than April 9th, 2018.

Plugfest Registration includes the AEF Plugfest, Plugfest Dinner, lunches, refreshments, and Wi-Fi Internet access. The registration fee (without VAT) for the Plugfest is as follows:

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<td>Plugfest Participant:</td>
<td>420 € / $521*</td>
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<td>Plugfest Visitor:</td>
<td>320 € / $397*</td>
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<td>Conference Day:</td>
<td>130 € / $161*</td>
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<td>Conference Day + Dinner:</td>
<td>165 € / $205*</td>
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<td>Additional Dinner Guest:</td>
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*USD rates for information based on the exchange rate as March 06th, 2018

Registration is now open at:

https://www.aef-isobus-database.org/isobusdb/app/plugfest/registration

Product Registration

Following Event Registration, Participants provide details of the products they intend to test by following an Equipment link on the Plugfest page within AEF ISOBUS Database. AEF uses the product information to determine whether products should be scheduled at dedicated test stations, or scheduled to be moved among the test stations for tests. After the test station list is finalized, AEF will prepare a schedule of tests known as a Plugfest Test Matrix.

The Plugfest Test Matrix is intended to maximize the combination of connections between service-type products (e.g. terminals) and client-type products (e.g. implements) over the course of the Plugfest. Service-type products are typically scheduled to stay at a fixed test stations, while client-type products are scheduled to be moved from station to station by the tester. Please keep the following guidelines in mind when registering products for the Plugfest:

- AEF will assign each Tester of service-type products to separate test stations in the Plugfest Test Matrix. Companies indicate the number of test stations to include by providing unique Tester names associated with service-type products.
- When more than one service-type product is registered to the same Tester name, all products are assigned to one test station. Additional Testers are necessary to register additional test stations.
- When more than one client-type product is registered to the same Tester name, all products are scheduled for the same time slot at each station. Additional Testers are necessary to schedule each product to its own time slot.
- Products will be scheduled through the available testing time slots on all Plugfest days; scheduling for a reduced number of days is not available.
- Suppliers of products with both UT and TC service-type functionalities, are required to register separate test stations (additional product and Tester) for managing full tests of each functionality in parallel.
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To be included in the Test Matrix, participants must register equipment details by completing an Equipment Registration Form online within the AEF ISOBUS Database following event registration until April 13th, 2018. Participants will have the opportunity to review the Test Matrix until April 27th, 2018.

**FMIS Scheduling**

FMIS products with ISOXML support will be scheduled for one-to-one tests with Task Controller suppliers, followed by 3rd product tests during TC / TC-Client tests. During one-to-one tests, the FMIS can supply the initial task data, prescriptions, and coding data to the TC for use during their subsequent TC/TC-Client tests. During 3rd product tests, logged data should be given back to the FMIS for testing compatibility with the TC-Client.

AEF has provided three fields for TC/FMIS testing during the Plugfest. The fields provide a “standard” testing opportunity for different hemispheres, as well as a concave boundary and “holes”. To enable TC/FMIS and TC-Client/FMIS testing with these fields, TC suppliers should bring a means of simulating GPS within these field regions. Task Controller and FMIS suppliers are highly encouraged to test with these fields at a minimum during the Plugfest. The files are available for download as “Boundaries.zip”, from the Information section under “Plugfest Information” of the AEF ISOBUS Database home page.

**Lodging**

AEF has blocked a limited number of rooms at Embassy Suites until **Monday, April 23rd** at a discounted nightly rate of $139.00 + tax (including breakfast and internet access). After this date, the remaining rooms in the block go back to general inventory.


or by phone to (402) 474-1111 OR 1-800-EMBASSY, using group code “AEF”. Check with the hotel directly if you miss the online deadline or have any issues with the discounted rate.

The website automatically displays internet service as an additional charge when finalizing the reservation, however the internet fee is waived when using the AEF group code.

Embassy Suites Lincoln provides complimentary shuttle service to/from the Lincoln airport. To better manage shuttle availability, please email flight details to Megan Smith at megan.smith@jqh.com as soon as possible after booking. Upon arrival at the Lincoln airport, call the hotel at (402) 474-1111 to request pickup.

Parking at the hotel is maintained by the city of Lincoln and not included in the hotel rate.
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Material Shipment:
Equipment shipped to NTTL in advance of the Plugfest will be delivered to Embassy Suites the morning of Tuesday, May 15th. Return shipping and customs fees must be paid by the sender.

Shipping address:
Nebraska Tractor Test Laboratory
Attn. Doug Triplett
35th and East Campus Loop
134 Splinter Labs
Lincoln NE 68583-0832
Phone: (402) 472-2442

General Questions:
If you have questions in the meantime, contact:

• for registration: AEF Office (office@aeofonline.org) Jan-Hendrik Woelker (jh.woelker@aeofonline.org)
• for AEF Membership AEF Office (office@aeofonline.org)
• general questions: AEF Office (office@aeofonline.org)

Best regards,
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