



# FUTURE OF AG FORUM 2020

## OBJECTIVE

To facilitate a forum where leaders in Illinois agriculture hear from visionary speakers, develop common understandings of future challenges, brainstorm collaboration strategies, and prepare for opportunities in agriculture for 2020 and beyond.

## SCHEDULE OF VIRTUAL EVENTS

**JULY 29, 2020** COVID-19 Impacts to the Illinois Agricultural Economy and Future Market Opportunities

**JULY 30, 2020** How the Agricultural Industry is Responding to COVID-19

**JULY 31, 2020** Agricultural Policy for Illinois: Where We've Been and What Illinois Needs in the Future



All sessions will take place between 12pm - 1pm.

**MODERATOR** Charlie Arnot, Center for Food Integrity

## REGISTRATION

Register for the forum sessions [HERE](#).

A confirmation email will be sent, and a reminder email the day before.

Sessions will be recorded so agricultural leaders can reflect on the discussions.

# SAVE THE DATES

## ILLINOIS AGRICULTURE POST-COVID-19

COVID-19 brought abrupt shifts in the ways Americans could purchase and consume food, resulting in supply chain disruptions we are still working through. Market uncertainties compounded the financial worries of farmers working through their eighth year of a down farm economy. The pandemic's global reach dampened hope for strengthened trade deals, and agricultural organizations fought for policies that could meet the unprecedented moment. Now, as Illinois reopens, we reflect on lessons learned and strategically plan for the future.

Join Illinois agricultural leaders for an engaging discussion on the economic, industry, and policy considerations needed to move Illinois agriculture to a hopeful and profitable future.

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