



MINNESOTA

Ag & Food Summit

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2021 MN Ag & Food Summit

Wednesday, November 3 - Thursday, November 4, 2021

Minneapolis Convention Center

All speakers confirmed unless noted

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Pre-conference Reception at Brit's Pub
1110 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis
(\$20 Members \$30 Non-Members –
advance RSVP required)

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Thursday, November 4, 2021

All Thursday events at Minneapolis Convention Center, 1301 2nd Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55403

7:30 a.m. Registration open / Breakfast

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8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. AgriGrowth Business meeting (members only)

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Economic and Policy Outlook for US Agriculture
Dr. John Newton, Chief Economist,
Ranking Member John Boozman, U.S.
Senate Committee on Ag, Nutrition, and Forestry

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10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Panel: Cyber Security: The Next Big Ag Disrupter
Moderator: **Dr. Jennifer van de Ligt, Director,**
Food Protection and Defense Institute,
University of Minnesota

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Panelists: **Chris Gabbard, Cyber Security Advisor,**

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Noah Korba, Director, Cyber Security, General Mills

Jim O'Conner, Chief Information Security Officer, Cargill

11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Break & Exhibit Fair

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Luncheon Program
Distinguished Service Award
Guest Speaker: **Governor Tim Walz**

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1:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Break & Exhibit Fair

1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Politics NOT as Usual: Advancing Agri-Food
Priorities in Washington

Moderator: **Kristin Weeks-Duncanson**

Panelists:

Callie Eideberg, Director of Govt. Relations, EDF

Bev Paul, Washington Representative, Gordley Associates

Tara Smith, Executive VP, Michael Torrey & Associates

Mary Kay Thatcher, Fed. Govt. & Ind. Relations, Syngenta



3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Afternoon Session: Future of Ag
**The Honorable Tom Vilsack, 32nd United
States Secretary of Agriculture (invited)**

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4:00 p.m.

Post-conference Reception & Exhibit Fair

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5:30 p.m.

Conference concludes

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