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To register for the Symposium and Award Ceremony, please mail or fax the form on the opposite page, or register online at www.worldfoodprize.org.
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MORNING SESSION
The World Food Summit Five Years Later
Are the Trend Lines in the Right Direction?
Can the Land Sustain Needed Production?

APRIL SESSION
Will There be Enough Freshwater?
What is the Impact of Climate Change on Food Production?
How to Prevent Hydrogeopolitical Conflicts
Raising Crops Under Stress Conditions

EVENING CEREMONY
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Out of Iowa Dr. Borlaug and the Green Revolution
Iowa Public Television
Symphony to the Prairie Farm (First movement)
Des Moines Symphony Orchestra

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19
MORNING SESSION
Globalized Trade and Potential Pandemics
Can Food and/or Youth Disease and Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) Be Contained?
How Real a Concern Is Bio-terrorism?
Microbiological Contamination - The Unseen Battle Against Pathogenic Micro-organisms

Risks to Sustainable Development in Africa
What Are the Keys to Enhanced Nutrition and Increased Child Survival?
How Will HIV/AIDS Impact Food Production?

APRIL SESSION
Laureates’ Panel: Is the Credibility of Science at Risk?
Will Public Research Be Adequately Funded?
How will the Questions about Biotechnology and Genetic Modification Be Solved?

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We have arranged for a special conference rate at the Marriott Hotel for those attending The World Food Prize. Contact the Marriott Hotel directly to make your own room reservations. Mention that you will be attending The World Food Prize events to receive the discounted rate.

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Millennium Laureate Wins Mexico's Woman of the Year Award

Dr. Evangelina Villegas, Millennium World Food Prize Laureate, was presented the "Woman of the Year Award" by Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo on November 9, 2000. The presentation took place in the National Anthropology Museum in Mexico City. This award, established in 1960, is presented annually to a Mexican woman who has made a distinguished contribution in the arts and sciences.

Dr. Villegas was co-recipient of The World Food Prize with Dr. Surinder Vasal of India for their work in developing Quality Protein Maize. The nutritional impact of this achievement has saved the lives of millions of children in Central and South America, Africa and Asia.

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