

Vladimir Nosov Joins Staff of IPNI as Regional Director, Southern and Eastern Russia

Dr. Vladimir Nosov has joined the staff of IPNI as Regional Director for Southern and Eastern Russia, effective August 1. He will be based in Moscow, working in coordination with Dr. Svetlana Ivanova, IPNI Vice President, Eastern Europe and Central Asia.


“This announcement marks an important step forward in our effort to encourage meaningful agronomic education and research efforts within Russia. This is a vital agricultural region and the time is right for enhanced crop productivity and efficiency,” said Dr. Terry L. Roberts, IPNI President. “With his unique set of skills and knowledge, Dr. Nosov will be well suited for this challenge.”

In 1997, Dr. Nosov received his Ph.D. in Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry at Lomonosov Moscow State University, Faculty of Soil Science, Department of Soil Chemistry. Earlier, he earned his M.Sc. at the same university in 1994.

From 2003 to 2008, Dr. Nosov served in the Marketing Department of the International Potash Company, based in Moscow. His duties included global market research on potash and dry bulk fertilizers. He was named acting head of the department for 2007-2008 (6 months). From 2003 to 2006, he was a Vice President (Agriculture) of the Union of Producers and Exporters of Potash and Salt, based in St. Petersburg. During this time he was also a member of the managing committee

of the International Potash Company-Indian Potash Ltd. Potash Promotion Project. From 2003 to 2008, he was also active as Coordinator for the International Potash Institute (IPI) in India, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka, related to potash fertilizer use in South Asian agriculture.

Previously, Dr. Nosov was Scientific Officer at Lubertsy Agricultural Research Station in Russia from 1998 to 2002, while also serving as Assistant Coordinator, Former Soviet Union, for IPI.

Dr. Nosov is the author/co-author of 60 publications on the behavior of potassium in soils and on the efficiency of potash fertilizer application. He is editor of two books on mineral fertilizer use, organizer of more than 20 field days for farmers, and a participant in numerous seminars, conferences, and agricultural fairs. He has an extensive list of published research papers, as well as proceedings of symposiums, conferences, and workshops, review papers, and electronic publications. 



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T. Satyanarayana Joins Staff of IPNI as Deputy Director, India Program-South Zone and Sri Lanka

Dr. T. Satyanarayana has joined the staff of IPNI as Deputy Director, India Program-South Zone and Sri Lanka, effective November 1, 2008.


“Dr. Satyanarayana has extensive knowledge and experience related to agricultural products as well as expertise in farm technology information transfer,” said Dr. Terry L. Roberts, IPNI President. “His skills and talents will be an excellent match for the responsibilities in this important region of India.”

In 2005, Dr. Satyanarayana received his Ph.D. degree from the Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) in New Delhi. His Ph.D. research project was “Release and uptake of phosphorus from some organic manures under wheat-black gram crop sequence using isotopic tracers.” Previously, he received his M.Sc. degree at Dr. Y.S.P.U.H. & F. in Himachal Pradesh, with a thesis on nutritional status of apple orchards. In 1998, he completed his B.Sc. (Ag) at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University.

In his most recent employment, Dr. Satyanarayana was Deputy Manager-Business Development & Agri Technical Services, with Shriram Fertilizers & Chemicals, DSCL. In that role, he was involved with identifying emerging trends in agriculture and other allied businesses, imparting training, providing technical input for literature and information materials on various products, and drafting and publishing newsletters and technical bulletins. Among many other

achievements, he generated soil fertility maps for zinc and sulphur and introduced new products for deficient areas, introduced four new molecules in crop care chemicals, and developed a video titled “Sahi Raah” on integrated plant nutrient management. He was responsible for coordinating the operations of 110 Shriram Krishi Vikas Kendras (SKVKs), meant for reshaping the lives of Indian farmers through the transfer of location-specific, need-based farm technology.

From 2005 to 2007, Dr. Satyanarayana worked as Deputy Manager-Regulatory Affairs, with Coromandel Fertilisers Ltd., Hyderabad. His responsibilities involved product development (including field trials), as well as data generation for new product registration, and conducting crop seminars and farmer meetings.

Dr. Satyanarayana was also a Senior Research Fellow at IARI from July 2001 to August 2002 and worked on projects related to the rice-wheat cropping system. He is author or co-author of several research publications. 



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