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FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT, CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTERS, AND REGISTRATION

2017

JOINT CONFERENCE:

3rd AFAAS AFRICA-WIDE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION WEEK

51st ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIETY FOR AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION

"SCALING UP CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE: INTEGRATING YOUTH, WOMEN, AND THE DIGITAL REVOLUTION"

Tsogo Sun Elangeni & Maharani Hotels 63 Snell Parade Durban, KwaZulu Natal, South Africa **30 October to 3 November 2017 (Arriving 29 October, departing morning of 4 November).**

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

AFAAS and SASAE together with DAFF will be holding a joint conference on the theme of "Scaling up climate smart agriculture (CSA): integrating youth, women, and the digital revolution".

The theme was selected in recognition of the fact that climate change is having grave impacts on resourcepoor African farmers and increasingly contributing to food losses along the whole value chain. According to the World Bank Group, FAO and IFAD (2015), CSA is an approach that can help to guide actions needed to transform and reorient agricultural systems to effectively support development and ensure food security in a changing climate. Hence agricultural extension and advisory services (AEAS) should reorient and re-equip themselves to provide farmers and other actors in agricultural innovation systems with the knowledge and technologies they need to identify agricultural strategies and practices suitable to their local conditions.

The joint conference will focus on the following sub-themes:

- 1. Integrating youth and women in CSA
- 2. Scaling up ICT innovations for CSA
- 3. Scalable CSA technologies and innovations
- 4. Capacity development for scaling up CSA innovations
- 5. Knowledge management for CSA
- 6. Innovation for entrepreneurship

CALL FOR PAPER AND POSTER SUBMISSIONS

Individuals and organisations/institutions are hereby invited to prepare proposals / abstracts of papers or posters on:

- (a) Topics related to the central theme of the conference or any of the above related sub-themes.
- (b) Any other extension related proposals or submissions that are not directly related to the conference theme, but are of potential interest and value to conference participants.

Research and philosophically based papers, as well as papers based on practical experience, will be considered. However, proposals / abstracts related to the central conference theme will receive preference. All proposals will be peer reviewed and for this purpose the following is required: (If your proposal does not comply to this, it will not be accepted.)

- A summary of a minimum of 200 words, with clear reference to (a) Introduction (b) Purpose of the paper (c) Methods or data sources, (or reasoning used in theoretical/philosophical papers) (d) Results, (e) Conclusions and extension implications.
- 2. Separate title page with name(s) of author(s) and full contact information. E-mail address is especially important.
- 3. Submission by e-mail in Microsoft Word to the e-mail address below.
- 4. An indication whether the proposal / abstract is intended as a **paper** or as a **poster** presentation.

PROPOSALS ARE DUE NOT LATER THAN 7 APRIL 2017 and should be sent to the Content Committee Chair, Dr. Johan van Niekerk. E-mail: <u>vNiekerkJA@ufs.ac.za</u> or Fax: 086 541 2166.

Presenters will be required to register for the conference and to pay the conference registration fee. If the registration fee is not paid, the paper will not be published in the proceedings. The due date for completed papers and posters are 14 July 2017. If we do not receive your final paper by then, you will not be allowed to present at the conference. The paper must be in MS Word format for publication in the proceedings. MS PowerPoint presentation will not be accepted for publication. You may use MS PowerPoint for your presentation at the Conference. Posters can be in MS PowerPoint or MS Word.

CONFERENCE VENUE

The venue for the Conference will be Tsogo Sun Elangeni & Maharani Hotels, 63 Snell Parade, Durban, KwaZulu Natal, South Africa. **GPS Coordinates:** 29°50'43.58'' S | 31°2'5.96'' E. Website: <u>https://www.tsogosun.com/southern-sun-elangeni-maharani</u>. Email: <u>sselangenimaharani.reservations@tsogosun.com</u>

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation for the conference period must be arranged by each delegate themselves at Tsogo Sun Elangeni & Maharani Hotels, or in and around Durban. A list of available hotels, guest houses, etc., will be attached to this document and will be on the <u>SASAE</u> and <u>AFAAS</u> Websites. There is a block booking of accommodation at Tsogo Sun Elangeni & Maharani Hotels until 1 September 2017. The registration at the conference will start on the afternoon of 29 October 2017 and the conference will start on 30 October 2017 at 09:00. It will end at dinner on 3 November 2017 and everybody will depart thereafter or the morning of 4 November 2017.

REGISTRATION

The conference registration fee is as follows:

Registration fees	
South African attendees	R1 400.00
African countries and other international attendees	US \$100.00
Day Visit – per Day (if you attend only one or more days).	R700.00 / US \$50.00

The conference registration fee covers: Conference proceedings, full conference facilities, all meals (excluding breakfast, which is included at your accommodation), teas and coffees with pastries or biscuits, an informal braai (barbecue) and a gala dinner.

For registration, use the enclosed form but please do not mail your payment to us. Deposit your payment into the SASAE Account No.: 932 660 4527, ABSA Bank, Branch Code: 334 745 (Lynnwood Road, Pretoria), EFT Branch Code; 632 005, Swift Code for International Members: ABSA JJ ZA and fax or email a copy of your deposit slip, with clearly indicated reference information (Initials and Surname), to the Conference Secretary at Fax: +27 (0)86 541 2166 or Email: ben@sasae.co.za to secure your registration.

You are only registered when we have confirmed back to you that we have received the registration form and proof of payment.

KEY DATES:

- Deadline for proposals: 7 April, 2017
- □ Submission of papers, posters (electronically by

e-mail: vNiekerkJA@ufs.ac.za) 14 July 2017

- Notice of acceptance of paper or poster: 5 May, 2017
- Last day to register: 25 August 2017

ENQUIRIES CAN BE DIRECTED TO:

- The SASAE Secretariat (Mr. Ben Stevens) Tel. +27 (0)14 533 2172; Cell: +27 (0)82 331 8399; Fax: +27 (0)86 541 2166; Email: <u>ben@sasae.co.za</u>
- The AFAAS Secretariat (Mr. Max Olupot) Email: <u>molupot@afaas-africa.org</u>
- Mr. Theo van Rooyen (KZN Branch) Cell: 082 570 1983; Email: <u>Theo.Vanrooyen@kzndard.gov.za</u>

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Please write clearly. Complete and email or fax this form to:

The SASAE Secretariat (Mr Ben Stevens), Email: ben@sasae.co.za , Fax: + 27 (0) 86 541 2166

Title	, Initials and Surname						
Organisation:		Position:					
Postal Address:							
	Country/Province:						
Tel: (Int. code)	(area code)	(number)					
Cell: (number)							
Fax: (Int. code)	(area code)	(number)					
E-mail:							
Indicate Membership	(Mark yes which is applica	able): SASAE	AFAAS	None			
Indicate special dieta	ary requirements, if any (ar	e you allergic to any f	oods):				

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:

I hereby register for the Joint Conference 2017 and accept that the registration is only valid on receipt of this registration form and proof of payment emailed or faxed to the Secretariat. SASAE account: ABSA Bank, Account No. 932 660 4527, Branch Code: 334 745, EFT Branch Code: 632 005. Swift Code: ABSA JJ ZA. Reference on deposit slip is your Initials and Surname.

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NB!! LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS 25 AUGUST 2017