Dear Colleagues,

We have had an excellent response to our call for abstracts and due to this high interest we have decided to extend the deadline for any late submissions to 30th of August 2017.

Oral and poster abstracts are invited on the listed topics and sub-themes.

Objectives of the Conference

The main objective of the conference is to bring together a global community of stakeholders (the academia, NGO, donor agencies, and industry) working on issues related to African indigenous vegetable to drive the process of promoting entrepreneurial development in the vegetable sector. The conference will bring together the body of knowledge on African vegetables for collation and archiving. The aim of the 2017 Afri-Veg Conference is to further our understanding of the challenges faced by the various stakeholders in the vegetable value chain and to recommend best practices that will enable us to overcome these challenges. The conference will encourage collaboration and exchange of knowledge and experience among participants. The ultimate goal is to encourage women’s participation in vegetable value chain, which will have an impact on economic development, and allow greater diversity in household sustenance dynamics.

SUB THEMES

- Agronomy: soil management, pest and diseases management, water management, pathology, breeding and crop improvement, seed production, cropping systems, conservation and diversity
- Food science and value addition: post-harvest handling, processing, preservation, packaging, food and nutrition, nutraceuticals
- Food security and policy
- Economics & marketing: agribusiness, impact assessment
- Social and culture: gender issues, youth issues, communication and extension
- Communication, dissemination and scaling up approaches, innovation platform
- Technology and innovation in vegetable value chain

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IMPORTANT DEADLINES

- Submission of abstracts: Aug 30, 2017
- Notification of acceptance: Oct 30, 2017
- Registration deadline: Nov 15, 2017
The abstract title should be short and concise. Capitalize each word except prepositions, articles and species name in the title.

Author
(List the names of all authors with surname followed by first name and middle name as initials (if applicable). Arabic numerals should be added in parentheses after each author's name to denote the author's organization. Insert an asterisk sign as a superscript with the corresponding author.)

Affiliation, Address, City, State
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Background
State the nature of the problem or opportunity to be addressed. Summarize the current situation and state your hypothesis.

Materials and Methods
Summarize the experimental design and methodology used in the study.

Results
Provide a concise summary of the findings.

Conclusion
Explain the significance of your findings and future implications of the results.

Keywords
Enter up to three keywords in lowercase

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Note:
Abstract length should not exceed 400 words

Please, specify which sub-theme and form of presentation [oral or poster] preferred. Final decision will be based on relevance of the article)