



ASARECA COUNCIL OF PATRON MINISTERS SUMMIT

Theme: **Repositioning ASARECA for Accelerated
African Agricultural Transformation**

May 2nd - 4th, 2019

**Speke Resort and Conference Centre, Munyonyo,
Kampala, Uganda**

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME



REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

Ministry of Agriculture, Animal
Industry & Fisheries



CIMMYT

SIMLESA

Sustainable Intensification of Maize
and Legume Systems for Food
Security in Eastern and Southern Africa



Australian Government

Australian Centre for
International Agricultural Research

WELCOME...

Our distinguished delegates,

We would like to take this opportunity to appreciate you for taking the time off to join us in the 1st ASARECA Council of Patron Ministers high level meeting and the high level forum on sustainable intensification of Africa's farming systems. The combined event will take place at the Speke Resort and Conference Center, Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda from 2-4th May 2019.

This logistic note provides information on how you should prepare for the forum, the event programme and the various courtesies you will be accorded during your stay. The note also includes some additional information on nearby tourist sites you may wish to visit in the event that you are able to extend your stay in the Pearl of Africa.

We acknowledge the Australian Center for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) for funding the SIMLESA project and all the ASARECA member countries for their annual contributions which together have made this event possible.

The ASARECA Secretariat and the Government of Uganda through the Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries; our host, have prepared to ensure your participation in the event and your experience of Uganda will be a memorable experience as well as a platform for pushing the frontiers of agricultural led growth and development for our region.

We also appreciate all the delegates who have sponsored their way to this gathering. We trust that we shall all have an enriching experience together.

From the Organizing Committee



Hon. Vincent Bamulangaki Ssempijja
Minister of Agriculture, Animal Industry & Fisheries (Uganda)



Dr. Stephen Mugo
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Dr. Ambrose Agona
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SIMLESA Coordinator



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Dr. Leah Ndungu,
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DAY 1 AGENDA

Date: Thursday, 2nd May 2019

Location: Sheena Hall

MEETING OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE OF THE ASARECA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

TIME	Session	Responsible
08:30 – 08:45	Registration	ASARECA
OPENING SESSION Session moderator: Stephen Muchiri, CEO of EAFF Overall Chairperson: President of the ASARECA General Assembly		
08:45 – 10:00	Welcome remarks	Chairperson, ASARECA BoD
	Remarks from the High Level Advisory Panel	Chairperson, HLAP
	Opening remarks	President, ASARECA General Assembly
	Setting the scene- governance and organizational reforms	Executive Secretary, ASARECA
10:00 – 10:30	Health break	Hotel
10:30 – 10:45	Presentation and approval of the admission of the Republic of the Congo to the Association	Chairperson, ASARECA BoD
10:45 – 12:00	Presentation and approval of ASARECA revised Constitution and Governance Manual	Executive Secretary, ASARECA
12:00 – 13:00	Presentation and confirmation of the new ASARECA Board of Directors	President, ASARECA General Assembly
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break	Hotel
14:00 – 15:00	Presentation of ASARECA 10-year Strategy and Results Framework, and 5-year Medium Term Operational Plan	Executive Secretary, ASARECA
Parallel sessions		
15:00 – 17:00	Closed session of the new Board of Directors	ASARECA Secretariat & HLAP
15:00 – 17:00	Meeting of the Committee of Directors General of NARIs	ASARECA Secretariat
Plenary Session		
17:00 – 17:45	Technical handover between incoming and outgoing BoD	President, ASARECA General Assembly
17:45	Closing Remarks and Health Break	President, ASARECA General Assembly

DAY 2 AGENDA

Date: Friday, 3rd May 2019

Location: Banqueting Hall

ASARECA COUNCIL OF PATRON MINISTERS SUMMIT

TIME	SESSION	RESPONSIBLE
08:00 – 08:20	Registration	ASARECA and CIMMYT
SESSION 1: SETTING THE SCENE MC: Mr. Peter Odeke		
08:20 – 08:25	Prayer	ASARECA
08:25 – 08:40	Recognition of delegates by member country and ASARECA stakeholder category and setting the scene	Permanent Secretary, MAAIF
08:40– 09:00	ASARECA@25: Harnessing Partnerships for Regional R4D: Key Achievements and Prospects for the Future	Executive Secretary, ASARECA
09:00 – 09:30	Remarks by Regional Economic Communities (RECs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Secretary General, EAC ● Secretary General, IGAD ● Secretary General, SADC ● Secretary General, COMESA ● Commissioner, Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union
SESSION 2: OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE ASARECA COUNCIL OF PATRON MINISTERS' SUMMIT Moderator:		
09:30 – 09:40	Arrival of the Prime Minister & Cultural Welcome	MAAIF
08:40– 08:45	Uganda Anthem followed by AU Anthem	MAAIF/ASARECA
09:40 – 09:50	Welcome Remarks	Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries, Uganda
09:50 – 10:10	Opening Address	Rt. Hon. Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda
10:10 – 10:30	Key Note Speech: Working as a Region to Harness the power of CASI to Improve Africa's Food Security in the Face of Climate Change	Director General, CIMMYT
10:30 – 10:50	The Impact of Conservation Agriculture Based Sustainable Intensification (CASI): Opportunities for Policy Action in Eastern and Southern Africa	SIMLESA Coordinator, CIMMYT
10:50 – 11:00	GROUP PHOTO	ASARECA
11:00 – 11:20	HEALTH BREAK AND PRESS BRIEFING	ASARECA
SESSION 3: MINISTERS' PANEL DISCUSSION Moderator: Robert Kabushenga, MD New Vision		

11:20 – 12:20	Ministers' Panel on Conservation Agriculture-Based Sustainable Intensification	Ministers responsible for Agricultural Research: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Republic of Burundi ● Democratic Republic of the Congo ● State of Eritrea ● Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia ● Republic of Kenya ● Republic of Madagascar ● Republic of Malawi ● Republic of Mozambique ● Republic of the Congo ● Republic of Rwanda ● Republic of South Sudan ● Republic of the Sudan ● United Republic of Tanzania ● Republic of Uganda
12:00 – 12:05	Video Interlude on conservation agriculture based-sustainable intensification	CIMMYT
12:05 – 12:50	Development Partner Panel on Commitments to Regionally Coordinated AR4D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Global Manager Country Programmes, ACIAR; ● Mission Director, USAID East Africa ● Regional Manager for Africa, IDRC ● President, AGRA ● Executive Director, FARA ● ECAATP Task Team Leader, World Bank, ● European Union Delegation in Uganda
12:50-13:00	Summary of Panel Takeaways	Regional Manager Africa, CIMMYT
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK	ASARECA
SESSION 4: RATIFICATION OF ASARECA'S NEW GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK		
Moderator:		
14:00 – 14:10	Welcoming the Republic of the Congo into the Association	Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries, Uganda
14:10 – 15:10	ASARECA Patron Ministers' Commitment to the Association	Ministers responsible for agricultural research in Eastern and Central Africa
15:10 – 15:30	Profiling of the Incoming ASARECA Board of Directors	President of the ASARECA General Assembly
15:30 – 15:40	Administration of the Oath of Office- Patron Ministers and new BoD	ASARECA
15:40 – 16:10	Signing of the ASARECA Constitution and the joint communiqué	ASARECA Council of Patron Ministers
16:10 – 16:20	Handover of ASARECA's instruments of power	Outgoing and Incoming ASARECA Board Chairpersons
SESSION 5: OFFICIAL CLOSING OF THE MINISTERS' SUMMIT		
Moderator:		
16:20 – 16:40	Closing Statement	Chair of the Council of the Patron Ministers
16:40 – 17:00	HEALTH BREAK	ASARECA
SESSION 6: MINISTERS' PRESS BRIEFING		
Moderator:		
16:45 – 17:00	Press briefing with the Ministers	ASARECA
SESSION 7: COCKTAIL RECEPTION AND NETWORKING		
MC: Peter Odeke		
18.30 – 21:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recognition and award of the outgoing ASARECA Board Members ● Delegate networking ● Cultural Entertainment 	ASARECA/MAAIF

DAY 3 AGENDA

Date: Saturday, 4th May 2019

Location: Sheena Hall

PARALLEL MEETING 1: INDUCTION MEETING OF THE ASARECA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TIME	SESSION	RESPONSIBLE
8:00 – 8:30	Registration	ASARECA Secretariat
8:30 – 9:00	Self Introductions Welcome Remarks	BoD Chairperson
9:00 – 10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Introduction to ASARECA● Governance Structure● ASARECA SRF 2019 – 2028● Operational Plan 3 (2019 – 2023)● Brief on Work Plan and budget 2019● Presentation of external audit report highlights	Executive Secretary, ASARECA
10:45 – 11:15	HEALTH BREAK	HOTEL
11:15 – 11:45	ASARECA staff and staffing Structure	Executive Secretary
11:45 – 12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Board governance policies and procedures● Introduction to Board functions and roles Board of Directors meeting rules and procedures● Board of Directors Committees; functions and procedures● Code of Conduct of the BoD/Conflict of Interest● Board expenses and entitlements● Assessment of Board performance	Executive Secretary
12:30 – 12:50	Board Induction Plan	Executive Secretary
12:50 – 13:00	Closing Remarks	ASARECA ES ASARECA BoD Chair
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH	HOTEL

DAY 3 AGENDA

Date: Saturday, 4th May 2019

Location: Banqueting Hall

PARALLEL MEETING 2: PROGRAMS OF ACTION FOR INSTITUTIONALIZING CASI IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA

Objective: Use Ministerial Communiqué to motivate actionable public and private sector CASI programs

TIME	Session	Presenters or Panelists
SESSION 1: Setting The Scene: Moderator: Dr. Drake Mubiru		
8:15 – 8:45	Welcome and introductions	
8:45 – 09:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sketch for the day ● Recap of May 4th Conclusions 	Paswel Marenya
9:00 – 10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Remarks by Dr. Eric Huttner, ACIAR ● Remarks by Dr. Asfaw Mekuria Mulugetta, CIMMYT ● Remarks by Dr. John Dixon, QAAFI ● Remarks by Dr. Eric T. Craswell, ANU 	Presenters as shown
SESSION 2: Action Areas For Institutionalizing CASI Moderator: Dr. Ambrose Agona		
10:00 – 10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Summary of actionable areas across the region for scaling CASI ● CASI technological basket for extension mainstreaming ● Key scaling modalities and social innovations ● Specific policy instruments and in value chains interventions 	Isaiah Nyagumbo Michael Misiko Paswel Marenya
10:45 – 11:05	Health Break	Secretariat
11:05 -11:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Response to “Actionable areas” presentation based on country priorities ● Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda 	NARS DGs or their representatives from the 7 SIMLESA Countries
SESSION 3: Future R4D Priorities. Dr. Olga Faftine		
11:50 – 12:35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Outstanding issues in CASI biophysical research (Pests, diseases, weeds, GHC, soils) ● Crop-Livestock integration ● Policy Analysis ● Institutional Research ● Market and value chain priorities 	Panel and/or plenary Discussion
SESSION 4: Closing Session. Dr. Drake Mubiru		
12:35 – 13:00	Wrap up key note address	Dr. Olaf Erenstein
	Closing Remarks	Dr Peter Horne
	Vote of thanks	George Mburathi Dr. Leah Ndungu Dr. Ambrose Agona
13:00	Lunch	

SATURDAY, 5TH MAY 2019: DEPARTURES

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