# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

11<sup>th</sup> African Crop Science Society Conference Theme: **Sowing Innovations for Sustainable Food and Nutrition Security**. 14 - 17 October 2013, Entebbe Uganda

# **Change of Conference Location**

The African Crop Science Society (ACSS) council and the 11th ACSS Conference Organizing Committee would like to inform all society members, participants and sponsors that the 11th ACSS Conference will not be held in Yaoundé, Cameroon, as previously announced. The Conference will now be held in the city of Entebbe, Uganda, which will be hosting the ACSS conference for the third time since 1993.

#### **Date of the Conference**

The conference opens on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013, and the closes on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Participants are encouraged to check into their places of accommodation by October 13th and check out by the 18th at 10 am.

#### **Conference Venue**

The conference will take place at the Imperial Botanical Beach Hotel in Entebbe, Uganda. The hotel will hold a special rate for single occupants of \$62, B&B included.

## **Local Organizing Committee**

The Local Organizing Committee is chaired by Prof. Patrick Rubaihayo from Makerere University, an ordinary member of the ACSS council. Contact details for Prof. Rubaihayo are as follows: Makerere University, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, P.O. Box 7062, Kampala-Uganda; Mobile: +256 772 734416. Email: prubaihayo@gmail.com, acss@caes.mak.ac.ug

#### **Farmers' Forum**

A farmers' and value addition innovators session is part of the program to enable knowledge and technology end-users to provide feed-back on various scientific sessions so as to contribute to repositioning research for development in Africa

#### **Abstracts and Papers**

The deadlines for submission and receipt of abstracts and papers are August 31<sup>st</sup> and September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013, respectively. The abstracts shall be sent to: prubaihayo@gmail.com it's urged that all material be sent as soon as possible and on time as to avoid any organizational issues.

**Registration & Payment** 

Category	Early (By August 31st)	Mid (Before September 15 <sup>th</sup> )	Late (After September 15 <sup>th</sup> )
Society Members	USD 250	USD 300	USD 350
Students	USD 250	USD 250	USD 250
Accompanying	USD 200	USD 250	USD 300
Non-members	USD 270	USD 320	USD 370

# **Payment Information**

Below are the bank account details onto which to make conference payments:

Account Name: African Crop Science Society/Journal

**Account Number:** 034-4000174 **Bank:** Barclays Bank (U) Ltd **Branch:** 16 Kampala Road

Bank Address: P.O. Box 7101 Kampala, Uganda

**Swift Code:** BARCUGKX

#### **Invitation to Exhibit**

Your organization is invited to exhibit at the 11th African Crop Science Conference to be held from 14th to 17th October 2013, in Entebbe, Uganda. Exhibiting at the conference will offer you an opportunity to share information, products and/or services with more than 400 crop scientists from all over Africa that are anticipated to attend the conference. Conference participants will have an opportunity to share your views and information regarding your company's products and services and their value to assist crop science and technology development and adoption by African farmers.

The Conference will emphasize the role of crop science research on providing for new and improved livelihood opportunities for farmers in Africa, which will impact on their income generation and food security. This event will facilitate a learning, dynamic and interactive environment. Opportunities will be created to interact and learn from each other and to open and broaden our horizons.

# To Register

The Exhibitor registration form needs to be completed on-line (<a href="www.acss.mak.ac.ug">www.acss.mak.ac.ug</a>) or returned by email (<a href="acss@caes.mak.ac.ug">acss@caes.mak.ac.ug</a>) in order to reserve a booth. We will then assign a booth number and send an exhibitor contract. Space is limited, so please return your exhibit registration form and fee by **August 31, 2013.** 

We welcome you to the 11th ACSS Conference. We expect more than 400 participants from all over Africa and we hope that you will enjoy the exciting scientific presentations and discussions. We are looking forward to seeing you again in Entebbe.

Prof. Luisa Santos

President, ACSS Council

Prof. Patrick Rubaihayo

**Chairman of 11th ACSS Conference Local Organizing Committee** 

### **CONFERENCE THEME**

Sowing Innovation for Sustainable Crop Production in Africa to meet Food and Nutrition Security under Climate Change