



ASAL-APRP END-OF-PROJECT CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

Theme: *Technology Options and Interventions for Improved Food Security and Livelihoods in the Arid and Semi-arid Lands*

25th - 27th April, 2017

Announcement and call for Papers & Exhibitions

The Arid and Semi-Arid Lands - Agricultural Productivity Research Programme (ASAL-APRP) will hold its End of Project Conference and Exhibition from 25th - 27th April, 2017. The conference will provide a forum for scientists, farmers, pastoralists and other stakeholders to share findings and experiences.

Date: 25th-27th April, 2017

Venue: KALRO-Headquarters,
Kaptagat Road, Loresho, Nairobi.

Call for papers

Project implementers, partners and collaborators are invited to submit papers for oral or poster presentations covering their findings and experiences under the following sub-themes:

Sub-themes

1. Dryland crop production
2. Livestock nutrition, feeds and feeding
3. Livestock health
4. Products value addition and socio-economics
5. Natural resource management and adaptation to climate change
6. Partnerships, outreach and upscaling of technologies for improving livelihoods.

The timelines for papers processing are as follows:

- Deadline for submission of full papers: **15th November, 2016**
- Deadline for review of full papers: **11th December, 2016**
- Deadline for submission of revised papers: **31st January, 2017**

Manuscript Requirements

All papers should include:

1. Title and name(s) of author(s) and their addresses/institutions.

- a. The title should represent the content of the paper and briefly identify the subject, indicate the purpose of the study and give important, high impact words early. Underline the presenting author.
- b. Institutional affiliation(s) and complete mailing address(es) including e-mail of the corresponding author.

2. Abstract:

The Abstract should not be more than 300 words, written in a single paragraph. It should state rationale of the work, methodology used, key findings, major conclusions and or recommendations derived.

3. ***Introduction,***
4. ***Materials and Methods,***
5. ***Results,***
6. ***Discussion,***
7. ***Conclusion,***
8. ***Recommendations,***
9. ***Acknowledgement and***
10. ***References.***

Authors are required to ensure that their presentations conform to the theme and specify the sub-themes they fall under.

Manuscripts must be written in British English, typed on A4 size paper and not more than 12 pages (including

Figures & Tables) at spacing of 1.5 using 'Normal margins' and 'Times New Roman' font size 12. Pages should be numbered consecutively. Numbers 1-10 should be spelt out in text while 11 to infinity should be written out in numeral form. Avoid beginning sentences with numbers or abbreviations. Soft copies of manuscripts should be submitted in MS Word 2007, 2010 or 2013 versions.

Scientific names must be given for each organism, followed by the authority, the first time the name is used. Names of the species and genera must be italicised. For other taxa, the first letter is capitalised but the names are not italicised. After the first mention, the generic name may be abbreviated provided it does not appear at the beginning of a sentence. The use of pesticide names should follow standard convention and the correct chemical name given the first time the pesticide is mentioned. Measurements should be in S.I. units. Equations should be done using Microsoft Equation Editor 3.1.

Illustrations

The illustrations should be drawn to fit the page margins and be clearly labelled. Figure captions must be placed below it while all tables must have table headings. The tables should be done using the Microsoft Word table function. Both figures and tables must be placed where they are first referred in the text. Tables should

only have horizontal lines to separate headings (Refer to recent issues of the *East African Agricultural and Forestry Journal* for guidance). **Strictly do not paste figures and tables as images.**

References

References in text should be by author and year. Same authors with more than one publication per year should have letters following the years to distinguish the publications.

Names of journals should be listed according to their World List of Periodicals. For books, give the title, the city of publication and the name of the publisher. The literature accessed online should be cited with URL and date of access and or its digital object identifier (DOI). For books cited, do not include number of pages unless you are referring to a section of the book (refer to *East African Agricultural and Forestry Journal* for further guidance -<http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/teaf20>).

Examples are given below:

Ramadhan, A. and Njunie M.N. (2015). Influence of grass species and type of planting material on cost of establishment and dry matter yield in Coastal Kenya. *East African Agricultural and Forestry Journal*. 80 (2): 99-105.

Jaetzold, R., Schmidt, H. and Shisanya, C. (2006). Farm management handbook of Kenya. Volume II. Natural conditions and farm

management information. (2nd Edition West Kenya Nairobi, Kenya: Ministry of Agriculture.

Mungube, E.O., Wamae, L.W., Omondi, G. A. and Mwangi, G. (2015). Prevalence of multiple resistant *Haemonchus* and *Ostertagia* species in goats and cattle in Machakos, Eastern Kenya. *Livestock Research for Rural Development*. 27,12. Retrieved on September 28, 2016, from <http://www.lrrd.org/lrrd27/12/mung27237.htm>

Waruru, B. K., Shepherd, K. D., Ndegwa, G. M., Sila, A. and Kamoni, P. T. (2015). Estimation of stability-related soil properties using mid-infrared spectroscopy for nonagricultural land use in Lake Victoria basin, Kenya, *East African Agricultural and Forestry Journal*, 81:2-4, 79-94: DOI <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/00128325.2015.1120515>

Posters

Authors who prefer to make presentations in the poster sessions should specify this on submission of their papers. However, they should present their posters as papers for the initial submission. All posters should fit into a poster board measuring 82.8 x 117 cm (A0). A good poster should:

1. Be simple, informative, visually appealing and attractive
2. Be easy to read and understand with relevant legend

3. Contain text and illustrative matter harmoniously combined to produce an effective presentation
4. Tell the complete story.

Manuscripts should be submitted via email to asal@kalro.org.

Publication of Papers

Papers presented at the conference will be published in a volume tentatively titled “Proceedings of the ASAL APRP End-of-Project Conference”. Papers that qualify for scientific journal publication will be published in a Special Issue of the *East African Agricultural and Forestry Journal*.

Exhibition

There will be an exhibition of technologies, information and products under ASAL APRP. Various stakeholders will showcase the activities they have carried out. The exhibitions should concentrate on demonstrating how the activities benefited the target beneficiaries. Lessons learnt from the implementation of the activities should be highlighted.

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