



22nd MEETING AND SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

Date: 23 – 26 October 2017
Venue: ARC, Wad Medani, Sudan



CALL FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Theme:

“Towards securing human welfare through management
of insect diversity in a changing world”



The Executive Committee of the AAIS, the Sudanese Agricultural Research Corporation, University of Gezira cordially invite you to the 22nd AAIS Meeting and Scientific Conference, which will be held in Wad Medani, Sudan. The conference will provide a forum for effective communication and exchange of information and ideas between participants on various aspects of insect science, and promote advancement and dissemination of knowledge relevant to the needs of Africa.

Languages

The languages for the conference will be English and French. Simultaneous translation services will be provided during plenary sessions.

Submission of Abstracts

Abstracts should be sent to AAIS Editor-in-Chief (amanlgb@gmail.com) with cc to the Hon. Secretary General (aaissecretary@gmail.com) and to LOC (abdelgaderh@yahoo.com) not later than 30th June 2017 (deadline).

Selection and Notification Process

Notification of acceptance of contributions will be made by the end of July 2017. Abstracts (in either English or French) should not exceed 300 words. They should be formatted in Times New Roman, 12-point font size, single space, and presented as follows: Title in capital letters; Surname and initials of the authors in capital letters; Authors' affiliation and addresses. The summary, in one paragraph, should contain information concerning objectives of the study, materials and methods, results, conclusions and keywords (max 5). Save the abstract under First author name. Save in version MS_word 2003 or later (.doc or .dotx extension).

Oral Presentations

The presentation of the contributed papers is limited to 15 minutes including 5 min discussion. All authors are invited to prepare their oral communications using PowerPoint.

Posters

The presentations on posters will be made on a surface of 90cm x 90cm. All the text should be readable at a distance of 2 meters. Although posters will be on display throughout the conference. During the poster sessions, contributors will be expected to be available to discuss their posters with participants.

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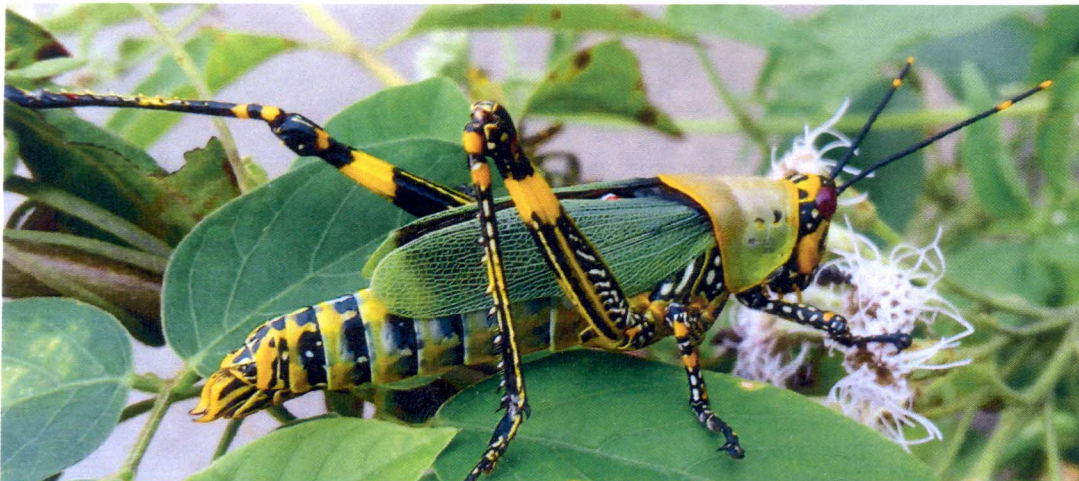
Fellowships to enable students and young scientists undertaking cutting edge research may be available. Deserving applicants may apply to the Hon. Secretariat of the LOC or AAIS for consideration. Participants are also encouraged to approach other donors/agencies or institutions for assistance. The Hon. Secretariat can issue a letter of invitation on request to support such efforts. Female applications are highly encouraged.

Young Scientists Award

An award will be given to the best presentation depending on budget availability.

Registration

Registration fees cover attendance at all sessions, the welcome reception, conference dinner, morning and afternoon tea, cocktails, lunch, airport transfers and transfers between designated hotels and conference venue.





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Registration

Cost of Registration	Amount (SDG)	Amount (USD)
Foreign delegates non members of AAIS	3200	200
Foreign delegates members of AAIS	2400	150
Foreign delegates students non members of AAIS	1920	120
Foreign delegates students members of AAIS	1600	100
Local participants non members of AAIS/ Sudanese Entomological Society	400	60
Local participants members of AAIS/ Sudanese Pest Management Society	300	45
Local participants students non members of Sudanese Pest Management Society	100	15
Local participants students members of Sudanese Entomological Society	80	12

Students must provide a proof of registration, signed and stamped by the relevant authorities of their institutions.

Advance payments could be made to AAIS bank account (below):

Account Name: AAIS
 Account No: 402000864 (US Dollars)
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Please indicate clearly on the transfer that the payment is for the 22nd AAIS Conference. Any transfer fees are payable by the participant. Payment in cash could be addressed to the treasurer of the LOC with receipt.

Accommodation

Hotels	Cost in US dollars (including Breakfast)	WiFi
Imperial Hotel	Single Room: \$ 50 Double room (two persons): \$ 65 Studio room : \$ 80	Yes
Continental Hotel	Double room \$ 35	Yes
University guest house	Double room \$ 35	
Nile Hotel	Double room \$ 35	
Faransawi Hotel:	Double room \$ 25	

Transport from hotel to conference room will be provided.

Accommodation rates have been negotiated for interested delegates. They vary between hotels with all B&B. The option of shared rooms exist based on participants' discretion to help reduce the cost. For booking please liaise with the LOC considering the numerous events in Wad Medani. Participants are requested to organize their booking as earlier as possible.

For further information regarding accommodation, kindly liaise with the hospitality committee of the LOC: Dr. Faiza Elgaili Elhassan Salah; Email: faizaruba@yahoo.com; Tel. +2499 16666670; +249 122663507

Banking and Currency Exchange

The currency in Sudan is Sudanese Pound SDG. Participants are advised to convert their respective currencies into Euros or US dollars to facilitate exchange.

Participants are strongly advised to take a comprehensive short term medical and travel insurance, which should cover the possibility of any unforeseeable occurrences.

Socio-Cultural Activities

Conference dinner will be organised on Tuesday 24th October 2017
 Excursions will be organized on: Thursday 26th October 2017.

Immigration and Visa Requirements

Participants are advised to contact the Sudanese Embassy or consular office in their respective countries for relevant documents. For participants from countries without a Sudan Embassy, please liaise with the LOC (abdelgaderh@yahoo.com) to facilitate your visa process.

Airport Transfer

Foreign Participants will arrive in Khartoum through the Khartoum International Airport.

Airport

Participants will be welcomed at the airport transfer catered to be transported to their respective hotels.

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Sub - themes

- Insects bio-ecology, systematics, modelling and sustainable management.
- Invasive species management.
- Indigenous knowledge on insects use and control.
- Pollinating insects and other useful insects.
- Regional policies for sustainable management of insects under a changing climate.
- Building national and sub-regional capacities in insect sciences.
- Education and Capacity Reinforcement in Integrated Insect Pest and Vector Management.



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Featured Activities



EDIBLE INSECTS SPECIAL ISSUE II: Supporting impactful research and development on edible insects to enhance food and nutritional Security in Africa.

Focus:

- Conservation;
- Mass Rearing and industrial scale capacity;
- Products development and value chains;
- Governance issues.

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CROP PROTECTION SPECIAL ISSUE: AAIS Secretariat and CABI are planning to publish a special issue of some of the manuscripts from the planned AAIS conference. CABI will support 2-3 non-CABI participants (particularly from Plantwise implementing countries) whose contribution is relevant to the following work areas:

1. IPM in horticulture in the areas of *Tuta absoluta*
2. Vectors of the causal agents of Maize Lethal Necrotic Disease,
3. Cassava mosaic virus, cassava brown streak virus,
4. Banana bunchy top virus,
5. Banana *Xanthomonas* wilt,
6. Any other emerging pests in Africa.

Contribute chapter(s) or manuscript(s) in areas involving:

1. Application of scientific knowledge to help small scale farmers manage plant health problems;
2. Capacity building for plant health management with regard to sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) standards compliance and market access;
3. Use of innovations including ICT in Agriculture for advisory services, regulation and market linkages.

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