

26TH SOIL SCIENCE SOCIETY OF EAST AFRICA CONFERENCE

on theme “*Strategic Management of Soil Resources to Mitigate Climate Change for a Prosperous East Africa Region*” 21st – 25th November 2011 in Jinja, Uganda



SECOND CALL FOR TITLES & ABSTRACTS

The 26th Annual Conference of the Soil Science Society of East Africa (SSSEA) will be held on **21-25th November 2011** in Jinja town, Uganda. The event will draw participants from research organizations, Universities, non-governmental organizations and farmers' groups and international soil related organizations operating in the East African region. Following the integration of eastern African community, participants from Burundi and Rwanda are by default members but will be formally admitted to SSSEA during the SSSEA general meeting that will sit at the end of the 26th SSSEA Conference.

The Conference will be preceded by a regional training course on **Integrated Soil Fertility Management (ISFM)**. More details will be announced by Dr. Mary Silver Rwakaikara or she can be directly contacted on Tel: +256-777-238178; marysilv@agric.mak.ac.ug or contact SSSEA Secretariat, Uganda Chapter.

There will also be symposiums on Land resources research in the Lake Victoria Basin and Below Ground Biodiversity during the conference.

CONFERENCE THEME

The theme of the Conference will be: “**STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT OF SOIL RESOURCES TO MITIGATE CLIMATE CHANGE FOR A PROSPEROUS EAST AFRICA REGION**”. The Conference will be organized under the following sub-themes:

- SF11: Soil Fertility Management and Agricultural Productivity
- SW11: Management of Soil and Water for Sustainable Land Productivity
- CB11: Strengthening Capacity Building in mitigating climate change
- RT11: Research and Technology Transfer for Improved Agroecosystems Management
- SP11: Socio-economic and Policy issues in Soils and Environment Management
- BD 11: Biodiversity and environmental quality management
- LR 11: Land Resources Characterization, Assessment and Use Planning

All intending participants are requested to electronically **submit paper title before End of August, 2011** through the contacts below. Titles will be used for booking slots on the conference program. **Abstracts** and full papers can be submitted either as a hard copy or electronic version as e-mail attachment **by end of August, 2011**. We are currently updating the society website and on-line submission will be possible after April, 2011. Authors should indicate the appropriate sub-theme for a submission using the codes. **Deadline for submission of full papers is Friday 30th September, 2011.**

CONTACTS

Send your title/abstract/paper/posters to

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GUIDELINES FOR WRITING PAPERS

Presenters are required to prepare their papers or posters using the following outline:

- Title author name(s), contact address
- Abstract (maximum 250 words)
- Introduction
- Materials and methods
- Results and discussion
- Conclusions
- Acknowledgements
- References

PAPERS AND POSTERS PREPARATION

Papers Format

Full papers should be 10 to 15 pages, double spacing (including Tables, Figures and References), typed using MS-Word, Font size 12 pts (Times New Roman).

Posters Format

Poster size should be of dimension A0 (841mm x 1189mm), upright format and should be legible from at least 5 m distance. Please note that the organizers are not able to provide a printout of posters.

MID-CONFERENCE EXCURSION

A mid conference excursion/tour will be held. More details on the tour will be given in the 2nd announcement.

REGISTRATION

A registration fee of US\$ 120 will be charged to cater for the conference and mid-conference excursion. Registration will be done on Sunday, 20th November, 2011 starting at 3.00 p.m.

ACCOMMODATION

Jinja town is 70 km Southeast of Kampala on the northern shores of Lake Victoria. It is easily accessed on the way to Kampala from Busia or Tororo for those who may travel by road from Kenya. There are several Hotels in Jinja town, ranging from US\$ 10 – 150 per day. For more information, please contact the organisers.

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

For new membership and annual subscription fee (US\$ 10 and US\$ 5 for students) please contact the following:

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