Conference program: Agricultural Research Towards Sustainable Development Goals 25-26th of September 2013



Venue: SLU - Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences in Uppsala, Sweden Updates: News about the conference will be published on <u>www.agri4D.se</u> Register for the conference no later than September 16th at: <u>www.akademikonferens.se/agri2013</u> Twitter: See and use #Agri4D2013 for tweets about the conference

The Millennium Development Goals (MDG's) were formulated as a tool for focusing development work during the first fifteen years of this millennium. Although they have not been reached some important headway has been achieved for all of them (to varying degrees). They have also served to align and focus research in the development area. Most importantly, from an agricultural research perspective, the MDG's have helped bringing agriculture and agricultural research back on the development agenda.

Since 2015 is the target date for the achievement of the MDG's and the logical date to begin a second phase that will build on their achievements, member states of the General Assembly of the United Nations agreed at Rio+20 to develop a set of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's), that are coherent with and integrated into the development agenda beyond 2015. After Rio+20 a consultative process was initiated and a High Level panel presented a report on the Post 2015 development agenda to the UN General Secretary. This is a part of the process to formulate the SDG's and to create a shared global development agenda beyond 2015 with sustainable development at its core.

Conference theme:

Agricultural production and agricultural research are fundamental and instrumental in the tremendous challenge to reach Sustainable Development. Achieving the SDG's could be the driver and motivator in Agricultural Research for Development. Hence the theme for the 2013 Agricultural Research for Development will be: *Agricultural Research Towards Sustainable Development Goals*. In addition the conference sessions are related to four sub-themes, relevant to the main theme and also continuously relevant to agricultural research for development, to the research society and to sustainable development.

The sub-themes are:

- Capacity Development,
- Sustainable Intensification,
- Climate Change
- Multi-disciplinarily

More information about the conference:

At the conference there will be opportunities for individual scientists and PhD students to present research projects, ideas and results in posters, open speakers corner sessions, parallel sessions and/or in discussion fora. Read more about these possibilities and take part of updates about the, conference program, parallel sessions, logistics etc. on: <u>www.Agri4D.se</u> Titles of presentations will be announced in a later version of the program.

Questions about the conference?

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Day 1 am: Wednesday, 25 September						
08.15- 08.45	Registration & Coffee					
08.45- 09.00	Prof. Lisa Sennerby Forsse Vice Chancellor SLU (Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences)					
09.00- 09.45	Prof. Lidia Brito (To be confirmed) Director for Science Policies and Sustainable Development at UNESCO (United Nations Organization for Education, Science and Culture)					
09.45- 10.15	Dr. David Nielson The World Bank					
10.15- 10.45	Coffee	Speakers Corner				
10.45- 11.15	Prof. Hannah Akuffo & Dr. Anders Granlund Sida (Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency)					
1.15- 11.45	Prof. Hamidou Boly & Prof. Gerald Monela TEAM Africa (Tertiary Education for Agriculture Mechanism) & Sokoine Univer-	rsity of Agriculture				
11.45- 12.15	Dr. Peter Holmgren Director General CIFOR (Center for International Forestry Research)					
12.15- 13.15	Lunch	Speakers Corner				

Conference organizers:











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Day 1 pm: Wednesday, 25 September							
13.15- 14.00	Prof. Johan Rockström Director Stockholm Resilience Centre (SRC)						
14.00- 14.45	Panel discussion with keynote speakers from day 1 Moderator: Johan Kuylenstierna, Executive Director Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI)						
14.45- 15.15		Speakers Corner					
15.15- 17.15	Sessions: 1:1 Securing Land Rights in Sub-Saharan Africa - In the context of increased competition for land Organized by: Lasse Krantz & Maria Ölund LARRI (Land Rights Research Initiative), Linda Engström & Michael Ståhl The Nordic Africa	1:2 Capacity Development - For Higher Education and Research Organized by: Ulf Magnusson SLU/SLU Global	1:3 Multifuncional Landscapes part 1: - How to enhance productivity and restore ecosystem services for improved livelihoods? Organized by: Anders Malmer SLU/ SLU Global & Madelene Ostwald GMV (Centre for Environment and Sustainability)/Chalmers/ Linköping University/Focali	1:4 Pre/Post Harvest Losses - Including postharvest handling and storage Organized By: Matthew Fielding SIANI (Swedish International Agricultural Network Initiative)/SEI			
17.15- 19.00	Institute (NAI)	Reception					



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Day 2: Thursday, 26 September							
08.30- 09.00	Coffee						
09.00- 11.00	Sessions: 2:1	2:2	2:3	2:4			
	Restoration and use of grass-land	Water resources and sustainable intensification – trade-offs and opportunities across scales and agricultural systems	Multifunctional landscapes, part 2: - How to enhance productivity and restore ecosystem services for improved livelihoods?	Transforming Gender Roles in Agriculture: - Ways Forward			
	Organized by: Ewa Wredle SLU	Organized by: Mats Lannerstad SEI & ILRI	Organized by: Ingrid Öborn ICRAF (World Agroforestry Centre)	Organized by: Melinda Fones Sundell SEI/SIANI			
11.00- 11.45	Dr. Segenet Kelemu Vice President for Programs AGRA (Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa)						
11.45- 12.45	Lunch			Speakers Corner			
12.45- 13.15	Dr. Tony Simons Director General ICRAF (World Agroforestry Centre)						
13.15- 13.45	Prof. Deliang Chen - Evolution of climate science: moving towards transdisciplinarity? University of Gothenburg						
13.45- 14.15		Speakers Corner					
14.15- 14.45	Dr. Jimmy Smith - Improving environmental sustainability of livestock systems in the developing world Director General ILRI (The International Livestock Research Institute)						
14.45- 15.15	Prof. Arild Angelsen UMB (Norwegian University of Life Sciences)						
15.15- 16.00	Prof. Bina Agarwal The University of Manchester						
16.00- 16.45	Panel discussion with keynote speakers from day 2 Moderator: Annika Åhnberg, former Swedish Minister of Agriculture						