



1ST EASTERN AFRICA AGROECOLOGY CONFERENCE PROGRAMME OUTLINE (21-24 MARCH 2023)

Conference Outcomes

1. Overall food systems transformation agenda in Eastern Africa in line with agroecological principles and practices embraced.
2. Ecosystem of organizations and initiatives working towards food systems transformation based on agroecology strengthened.
3. Strategies and joint initiatives on key levers for food systems transformation (knowledge generation & dissemination, policy reform, market systems development, investments) advanced.
4. Support and implementation of agroecology-oriented policies from government institutions and other key stakeholders in the region enhanced.

DAY ONE: 21 ST MARCH 2023	
Timings	Activity
7.00 am – 8.30am	Registration and Cultural Entertainment (Traditional dance group e.g. Kayamba Africa)
8.30 am – 10.30am	<p>PLENARY SESSION 1</p> <p>Keynote Speech: <i>Scaling up Agroecology Initiatives: Lessons learnt, successes, aspirations, and opportunities:</i> Dr. Emma Siliprandi, Agricultural Officer-Plant Production and Protection Division (NSP), FAO</p> <p>Speaker: <i>Can farmer- centered research drive food systems transformation?</i> Dr. Sara Namirembe - McKnight Collaborative Crop Research Program (CCRP) – East & Southern Africa (ESAf) Region</p>

	<p>Panel Discussion:</p> <p>Dr. Emma Siliprandi-<i>FAO</i>, Dr. Sara Namirembe <i>Mc Night Foundation</i>, Dr. Dismas Mwikali-<i>East Africa Community</i></p> <p>Moderator: Dr. David Amudavi</p>
10.30 am - 11.00 am	<p>HEALTH BREAK AND EXHIBITIONS</p> <p>GUEST OF HONOUR – VISIT THE EXHIBITIONS</p>
11.00am – 1:00pm	<p>OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entertainment • Kenya National Anthem and EAC National Anthem • Opening Prayers • Welcome Remarks - Chair of the Conference Organizing Committee: Dr. David Amudavi, Executive Director, BvAT • Remarks by the Governor of Makueni County- (HE. Mutula Kilonzo Jr.) • Remarks by Representative from the East Africa Community (EAC)-Mr Dismas Mwikila • Remarks by Representative from the African Union Commission (AUC)-Dr Simplicie Nouala Fonkou • Remarks by any other distinguished Guest • Remarks by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hon. Frank Tumwebaze- Cabinet Minister of Agriculture-Uganda ○ Representative from Tanzania Government ○ Representative from Rwanda Government <p>Official Opening of the Conference by: <i>Hon. Wycliffe Musalia Mudavadi, Prime Cabinet Secretary, Republic of Kenya</i></p> <p>Keynote Speech 1: <i>Pathways to Food Systems Transformation towards Resilience and Sustainability in Africa</i>: Dr. Hans R. Herren, President and CEO, Millennium Institute, Co-Founder and President Biovision Foundation, Recipient of the World Food Prize, Recipient of the Alternative Nobel Prize, Washington, DC.</p> <p>Keynote Speech 2: <i>Policy Developments towards Mainstreaming Ecological Organic Agriculture into CAADP and their Implications</i>: Dr. Simplicie Nouala Head of Division Agriculture and Food Security at Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture African Union Commission (AUC)</p> <p>Roundtable Panel – Keynote speakers, Ministers & County Governors</p> <p>Panelists: <i>Hon Musalia Mudavadi-Chief Cabinet Secretary-Kenya, Hon. Frank Tumwebaze- Cabinet Minister of Agriculture -Uganda, Dr Simplicie Nouala-AUC, Hon Mutula Kilonzo-Governor of Makueni County, Ministry of Agriculture Rep-Tanzania, Dr Hans Herren- President and CEO, Millennium Institute, Co-Founder and President Biovision Foundation</i></p> <p>Master of Ceremony – Johnson Mwakazi</p>

12.30-1.00	OFFICIAL TOUR OF EXHIBITIONS AND POSTERS
1.00 pm – 2.00 pm	LUNCH BREAK & EXHIBITIONS
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	<p>PLENARY SESSION 2</p> <p>Keynote Speech: <i>Taking Agroecological, Scientific Innovations and Breakthroughs to Scale in Africa:</i> Prof Zeyaur Khan, Thomas Odhiambo Distinguished Research Fellow, Leader, Push-Pull Programme, International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology</p> <p>Speaker 1: <i>Demystifying the Myth: Can Organic Agriculture Feed the World?</i> Dr. Noah Adamtey, Senior Research Scientist in the Department of International Cooperation at the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture in Switzerland</p> <p>Roundtable Discussion: <i>Panellists: Prof Zeyaur Khan, Dr Noah Adamtey, Bo Lager, Hakim Belaraine, Prof Simplicie Vodouhe</i></p> <p>Moderator: Prof Charles Ssekyewa</p>
Break-out Session 1	<p>Breakout Sessions/Parallel Sessions</p> <p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DIFFERENTIAL RESPONSES OF BACTROCERA DORSALIS AND ITS PARASITOIDS TO HEADSPACES OF DIFFERENT VARIETIES OF TREE-ATTACHED MANGO FRUITS AND THE ASSOCIATED CHEMICAL PROFILES - MR. RAPHAEL NJURAI MIANO DR. SAMIRA A. MOHAMED, DR. XAVIER CHESETO, DR. SHEPARD NDLELA, DR. TIBEBE DEJENE BIASAZIN, PROF. ABDULLAHI AHMED YUSUF, PROF. EGMONT ROHWER, PROF. TEUN DEKKER 2. THE ROLE OF AGROFORESTRY SYSTEMS IN IMPROVING FARMLANDS AND LIVELIHOODS IN AGROECOLOGICAL HIGHLANDS ZONES OF BUBERUKA-RWANDA - MR. ISAAC MUBASHAKWAYA 3. OUTCOMES OF A MULTI-YEAR AGROECOLOGY RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY PROJECT IN TANZANIA – FOCUS ON MAIZE PRODUCTION - DR. ANGELIKA HILBECK, MS. GLADNESS BRUSH 4. EVALUATING THE EFFECT OF DIFFERENT ORGANIC MANURES ON THE PERFORMANCE OF BLACK EYE COWPEA VARIETY8 - MR. RICHARD OYAT & DR. MARIUS MURONGO <p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. THE KENYA AGROECOLOGY HUB'S EXPERIENCES WITH A FARMER RESEARCH NETWORK APPROACH - DR. BETH MEDVECKY, MR. KEVIN WANJARE, DR. ELIZABETH DYCK, DR. DAVID STERN

2. AFLATOXIN AS A FACTOR IN THE DECLINE OF AGRICULTURAL INCOMES AND IMPACTS ON FOOD SECURITY IN MERU AND THARAKA NITHI COUNTIES IN THE EASTERN REGION OF KENYA. ---- *PROF. LINDA ETHANGATTA, PROF. RENSON MUCHIRI, DR. BONFACE IRERI NGARI, DR. KENDI MUCHUNGI, DR. KIMANI GICHUHI, MR. KAGWATHI GITHII*
3. FROM AGROECOLOGY TO ORGANIC FARMING: A REVIEW OF BEST PRACTICES AND LESSONS LEARNT- *MR. RAKOTO RAKOTONDRAMANANA, MR. TAHINA RAHARISON*
4. FROM ORGANIC FARMING TO AGROECOLOGICAL FARMING, WHAT CHALLENGES DO ORGANIC FARMERS FACE IN CENTRAL UGANDA? - *MR. BIENVENU DAGOUDO AKOWEDAHO, PROF. CHARLES SSEKYEWA, DR. JOSEPH SSEKANDI, MS. KHADY NGOM, PROF. ISMAIL M. MOUMOUNI*

Theme 2: Best practices towards food security, nutrition, consumption, and health: Soil health and farmer managed seed systems.

1. FARMER-CENTRED INTERVENTIONS: A KEY APPROACH FOR AGROECOLOGICAL TRANSITION IN MERU AND LAIKIPIA - *MR. SAM NJOGO, MS. NADÈGE KIPPEURT, MR. JOSES MUTHAMIA*
2. EVALUATION OF BIOPESTICIDES FOR TRADITIONAL AFRICAN VEGETABLES IN KENYA -*MR. MARTIN BARARE, DR. RALPH ROOTHAERT, DR. PAOLA SOTELO*
3. SOIL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS OF ETHIOPIA- *MR. AMHA BESUFKAD, DR. WUBETU BIHON LEGESSE, MR. GEMECHIS JALETA*
4. ORGANIC FARMING SYSTEM ENHANCES BELOW GROUND BIODIVERSITY THAN CONVENTIONAL FARMING SYSTEM IN THE TROPICS - *DR. EDWARD KARANJA, DR. NOAH ADAMTEY, MR. DAVID BAUTZE, DR. HANS-MARTIN KRAUSE, DR. JOHN ANYANGO, MS. JANET ATANDI, MR. FELIX MATHERI, MR. NDERITU MWANGI, MS. NANCY MWENDE MUNYOKI, DR. RUEGG JOHANNA, DR. AKANSHA SINGH, DR. THOMAS DUBOIS*

Theme 2: Best practices towards food security, nutrition, consumption, and health: Soil health and farmer managed seed systems. (6 Presentations)

1. CEREAL-LEGUME-BASED CROPPING SYSTEMS UNDER CONVENTIONAL AND ORGANIC MANAGEMENT IN MALAWI: INSIGHTS FROM A DEMONSTRATION TRIAL- *MR. ANDREW THADZI, MR. MIKE CHING'AMBA, MR. SHAIKU KANANJI, DR. KADZERE IRENE, MS. ANASTAZIA PEMBA, MS. STEFANIE ZEISS, MS. ALEXANDRA FARRINGTON-SCHOMBURG, MS. WENDY ZAVALA ESCOBAR, DR. PASANI KUMAMBALA, DR. NOAH ADAMTEY*
2. THE STRUGGLE TO SCALE UP AGROECOLOGY IN CONSTRAINED AREAS: THE CASE OF AGRO-ECOLOGICAL TECHNICAL CENTER OF THE SOUTH (CTAS) IN SOUTHERN MADAGASCAR - *MS. TOLOTRA HENINTSOA RANAIVO HARIMANANA*

Moderators: FiBL, Pelum Kenya, Biovision Africa Trust, Pelum Uganda & Seed Savers Network, TOAM and ROAM

4:30 pm –
5.00 pm

HEALTH BREAK & EXHIBITIONS

<p>5:00 pm – 6.00 pm</p>	<p>BREAK OUT SESSIONS/PARALLEL SESSIONS</p> <p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ELEMENTS OF AGROECOLOGICAL PEST AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT- <i>DR. ANGELA MKINDI, MS. YOLICE TEMBO, PROF. PHILIP STEVENSON, PROF. STEVEN BELMAIN</i> 2. COCOA VERSUS RUBBER TREE LANDSCAPES: ARE TREE-BASED COMMODITY HOTSPOTS OF SOIL BIODIVERSITY? EVIDENCE FROM CÔTE D’IVOIRE- <i>MS. LÉONTINE ADAHÉ, DR. MARTINEZ GUEI, DR. JULIEN N'DRI, PROF. JÉRÔME TONDOH, PROF. CONSTANT YVES ADOU YAO</i>
	<p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IMPACTS AND DRIVERS TO WONDER MULTISTOREY GARDENS FOR CROP PRODUCTION AMONG URBAN HOUSEHOLDS: EVIDENCE FROM NAIROBI CITY, KENYAN - <i>MR. ANDREW ABIYA, DR. SALIOU NIASSY, DR. DAVID KUPESA, MR. EVANSON OMUSE, DR. MENALE KASSIE</i> 2. THE EFFECTS IN CROP YIELD: OBSERVATION FROM FARMER-LED RESEARCH OF AGRO-ECOLOGICAL PRACTICES - <i>MS. LUAMBANO KIHOMA, DR. AYUBU CHURI, PROF. CAMILIUS SANGA, DR. EUGENIO TISELLI</i>
	<p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SOIL CARBON, NITROGEN, PHOSPHORUS, AND PH IMPACTS FROM A TWO-YEAR TRIAL OF AGROECOLOGICAL PRACTICES CONDUCTED WITH A FARMER RESEARCHER NETWORK IN WESTERN KENYA -<i>DR. STEVEN VANEK, MR. GABRIEL CHEGE, DR. JOHN OJIEM, DR. BETH MEDVECKY, MR. DANIEL NYAMBOK</i> 2. SOIL QUALITY CHANGE FOLLOWING COMPOST AND FARMYARD MANURE APPLICATION IN MAIZE AND CASSAVA BASED AGRO-ECOSYSTEMS OF MVOMERO AND MASASI -TANZANIA - <i>MR. JOHN CONSTANTINE, DR. MAWAZO SHITINDI, PROF. KALLUNDE SIBUGA, DR. ANGELIKA HILBECK</i>
	<p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AGRICULTURAL BIOTECHNOLOGY IN TRANSFORMING FOOD SYSTEMS FOR RESPONSIBLE PRODUCTION, CONSUMPTION AND SOCIAL WELLBEING- <i>DR. TADESSA BEDADA</i> 2. THE EFFICIENCY OF RABBIT URINE AS AN ECOLOGICAL FRIENDLY BIO-PESTICIDE FOR CONTROLLING PEST OF ETHIOPIAN MUSTARD (BRASSICA CARINATA)- <i>DR. NAZA MMBAGA, MR. JULIUS MISSANGA, DR. KELVIN NGONGOLO</i>
	<p>Moderators: FiBL, Pelum Kenya, and Biovision Africa Trust</p>

DAY TWO: 22 ND MARCH 2023	
Timing	Activity
8.30 am – 10:30 am	<p>PLENARY SESSION 3</p> <p>Reflections on Day 1 Keynote Speech: <i>Role of Farmers’ Movements in Promoting Agroecology in Africa</i>: Ms. Shamika Mone, President of Intercontinental Network of Organic Farmers Organisations (INOFO)</p> <p>Speaker 1: <i>Strengthening Organic Trade in Africa</i> – Bert-Jan Ottens, Owner & Senior Adviser, ProFound - Advisers In Development, Den Haag, Zuid-Holland, Netherlands</p> <p>Speaker 2: <i>Prioritizing Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures in Ecological Organic Agriculture Marketing and Trade in Africa</i> - Diana Akullo Ogwal - Principal Officer, SPS Department of Trade in Goods and Competition - AfCFTA Secretariat</p> <p>Speaker 3: <i>Making Agroecology Attractive to the Youth for Contributing to Resilient and Sustainability Food Systems in Africa</i>: Richard Mugisha, Regional Coordinator-Youth Track - Rwanda Kenya Ethiopia.</p> <p>ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS Panelists: Shakima Mone, Diana Akullo Ogwal, Richard Mugisha, Lise Chantal Dusabe, Eustace Kiarri</p> <p>Moderator: Wanjiru Kamau</p>
10.30 – 11.00 am	HEALTH BREAK & EXHIBITIONS
11.00 – 1.00 pm	<p>BREAK OUT SESSIONS/PARALLEL SESSIONS</p> <p>Theme 2: Best practices towards food security, nutrition, consumption, and health: Soil health and farmer managed seed systems.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> FARMER RESEARCH NETWORK TESTS THE EFFECTS OF SOIL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS ON STRIGA HERMONTICA AND MAIZE PRODUCTIVITY IN THE LAKE ZONE OF KENYA- <i>DR. BETH MEDVECKY, DR. JOHN OJIEM, MR. DANIEL NYAMBOK, DR. STEVEN VANEK</i> DIGITAL TRAINING ENHANCES ORGANIC SMALLHOLDER FARMING PRACTICES IN AFRICA- <i>MS. SELINA ULMANN, MS. FAITH MAIYO, MR. BENJAMIN BENJAMIN, MS. LISE CHANTAL DUSABE, MR. DIEUDONNE SINDIKUBWABO</i> ADOPTION OF AGROECOLOGICAL APPROACHES IN TRADITIONAL AFRICAN VEGETABLES IN KENYA: MOTIVATIONS, BARRIERS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCALING UP - <i>MS. ANNE MWATHA, DR. ROSINA WANYAMA, DR. RALPH ROOTHAERT</i> <p>Theme 2: Best practices towards food security, nutrition, consumption, and health: Soil health and farmer managed seed systems.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> SWISS NGO ALLIANCE SUFOSEC TACKLING THE GLOBAL FOOD AND NUTRITION CRISIS THROUGH AGROECOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATION - <i>MS.</i>

	<p><i>VERONICA MASSAWE, MS. MELANIE RANTSCHEN, MR. VOLKER EICK, DR. THOMAS GASS, PROF. JOHANNA JACOBI, PROF. STEPHAN RIST, MS. NICOLE STOLZ, DR. MAURICE TSCHOPP</i></p> <p>2. INFONET-BIOVISION: AN ONLINE FARMER INFORMATION PLATFORM FOR PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND ORGANIC AGRICULTURE IN AFRICA -<i>MR. CHAREI WAWERU, MS. MONIQUE HUNZIKER</i></p> <p>3. The Impact of Post-Harvest Response on Sustainable Consumption -<i>DR. JONAS YAWOVI DZINEKOU, MS. SUSAN MWANGI, DR. DAVID KIRIMI</i></p> <p>Theme 3: Women and Youth in Agroecology</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. WOMEN INVOLVEMENT IN USE OF ETHNOMEDICINAL PRODUCTS IN MASAKA AND MPIGI DISTRICTS, UGANDA - <i>PROF. GRACE NJERI NJOROGE, MR. GODFREY VIANNEY BWOGI, DR. MARIUS MURONGO</i> 2. ORGANIC LIFESTYLE INFLUENCER APPROACH (OLIA): PROMOTING AWARENESS AND CONSUMPTION OF SUSTAINABLE FOOD THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGNS- <i>MR. MARTIN NJOROGE, MS. SELINA ULMANN, DR. THOMAS BERNET, MS. LILIAN MBITHE, MR. BENJAMIN, MR. MIKE OTIENO</i> 3. HERBS MADE IN AFRICA! BRINGING HEALTH & FOOD TO PEOPLE, CROPS & ANIMALS. EXPLORING HERBS AS MEDICINE, FOOD, SPICES, ESSENTIAL OILS AND COSMETICS - <i>MS. BAKIRYA JUDITH</i> 4. ROLES OF WOMEN AND YOUTH IN AGROECOLOGY TO INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION AND REDUCE INCOME POVERTY IN DODOMA SEMI ARID, TANZANIA - <i>DR. LEOPODY GAYO</i> <p>Theme 4: Ecological Organic Trade, Markets, and Economy</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Testing the efficacy of biofertilizers-<i>DR. ELIZABETH DYCK, DR. BETH MEDVECKY, MS. PRISCA CHERONO, MR. PATRICK SHIUNDU, MR. ANDREW SIMOTWO, MR. EVANS WESONGA</i> 2. ADDRESSING CHALLENGES IN ACCESS TO ECOLOGICAL INPUTS AT THE SMALLHOLDER LEVEL IN ETHIOPIA: THE CASE OF VEGGIES 4 PLANET AND PEOPLE PROJECT -<i>MR. GEMECHIS JALETA, MRS. LEAH MWAURA, DR. RALPH ROTHHAERT</i> 3. WORKING WITH MICRO AND SMALL AGROECOLOGICAL ENTERPRISES IN LAKE VICTORIA ZONE, UGANDA- <i>MR. PATRICK DELBA KIIRYA</i> <p>Roundtable Discussion: ARSO, Private Organic Companies, Certification companies, ProFound, NOAMs, etc</p> <p>Moderators: Pelum Uganda, Seed Savers, YALTA, TOAM, ROAM, KOAN and ProFound</p>
1.00 pm – 2.00 pm	LUNCH BREAK & EXHIBITIONS
2.00pm – 4:00pm	<p>PLENARY SESSION 4</p> <p>Keynote Speech: Why social movements are crucial to the agroecological transition - Dr Million Belay General Coordinator, Alliance for Food Sovereignty in Africa (AFSA)</p> <p>Speaker 1: The Agroecology Coalition: an opportunity to accelerate the necessary food system transformation: Emile Frison, Interim Coordinators, Agroecology Coalition</p>

Roundtable Discussion

Panelists: Dr Million Belay, Emile Frison, Dr Martin Oulu, Gabor Figeczky, Josephine Akia, Hannington Owegi SG PELUM Association

Moderator: Matthias Geck

BREAK OUT SESSIONS/PARALLEL SESSIONS

Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.

1. ENHANCING CROP YIELDS AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION WITH AGROECOLOGICAL APPROACHES: EVIDENCE FROM KENYA - *DR. NOAH ADAMTEY, MR. FELIX MATHERI, MS. NANCY MWENDE MUNYOKI, MR. NDERITU MWANGI, DR. EDWARD KARANJA, MR. DAVID BAUTZE*
2. FARMER PARTICIPATORY PILOTING OF AGRO-ECOLOGICAL APPROACHES FOR SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION OF TRADITIONAL AFRICAN VEGETABLES IN SMALLHOLDER FARMS IN KENYA - *DR. SRINIVASAN RAMASAMY, MS. CAROLYNE WANGUNGU, DR. RALPH ROOTHAERT, DR. WUBETU BIHON LEGESSE, DR. ROSINA WANYAMA, MS. ANNE MWATHA, DR. JOSIAH ATEKA*
3. EFFICACY OF THE FARMER COMMUNICATION PROGRAMME IN PROMOTING AGROECOLOGY AMONG SMALLHOLDER FARMERS IN KENYA - *FREDRICK OCHIENG, JOSEPH NYAMESEGERE, CHRISTOPHER RWANDA*
4. ECONOMICS OF AGROECOLOGY - *INNOCENT FAITH, DAVID KERSTING - GIZ*

Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.

1. INVESTIGATING FACTORS THAT AFFECT THE ADOPTION OF POLLINATOR-FRIENDLY AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES WITHIN SMALLHOLDER FARMS IN VIHIGA COUNTY, WESTERN KENYA- *MS. ENNIA BOSSHARD, MR. HARRISON CARTER, DR. ANA NUNO, DR. CHRISTOPHER KETTLE, DR. CHRISTOPHER KAISER-BUNBURY*
2. A WASTE OF TIME? INCREASING ON-FARM LABOR THROUGH AN AGROECOLOGICAL TRANSITION IN MALAWI --*MS. SIDNEY MADSEN, PROF. RACHEL BEZNER KERR, MR. LAIFOLO DAKISHONI*
3. ORGANIC VERSUS CONVENTIONAL FARMER CRISIS RESPONSES: IMPLICATIONS UNDER COVID AND RUSSIA-UKRAINE WAR - *ALEX MUTUNGI, VENANCIA WAMBUA AND DAVID AMUDA VI*
4. DO ORGANIC FARMING INITIATIVES IN SUB SAHARAN AFRICA IMPROVE THE SUSTAINABILITY OF SMALLHOLDER FARMERS? EVIDENCE FROM FIVE CASE STUDIES IN GHANA AND KENYA - *MR. JOHAN BLOCKEEL, DR. IRENE EGYIR, DR. ANNE MURIUKI, DR. KADZERE IRENE, DR. JOSEPH BANDANAA, MR. JOSEPH CLOTTEY, DR. JOHN NDUNGU, DR. CHRYSANTHUS TANGA, DR. CHRISTIAN SCHADER*

Theme 2: Best practices towards food security, nutrition, consumption, and health: Soil health and farmer managed seed systems.

1. STRIVING FOR RESILIENT FARMING SYSTEMS THROUGH POULTRY INTERVENTIONS IN SEMI-ARID EASTERN KENYA- *MS. CAROLYNE KHALAYI WAFULA*

	<p>2. INVESTIGATING FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE IN WAMI VILLAGE, TANZANIA. A STUDY OF PASTORALISTS' AWARENESS, PRACTICES AND VACCINATION APPLICABILITY- <i>DR. RAJAB AWAMI, DR. SHAABANI MSHAMU, MRS. JANET MARO, MS. SALMA YASSIN, MR. ALEX WOSTRY, MR. YOHANA HAULE, DR. LATIFA MRETA</i></p> <p>3. INTERACT: PROMOTING EXPONENTIAL CHANGE TO AGROECOLOGY-<i>MS. LIESL HATTINGH, MS. SUMEETA GAWANDE, MS. SUZANNE NEAVE, MS. CLAIRE BAKE</i></p> <p>4. INFORMAL SEED EXCHANGE AND OWN SEED PRODUCTION BY FARMERS ARE THE KEY PILLARS OF TANZANIAN AGRICULTURE - <i>MS. VERONICA MASSAWE, MR. SIMON DEGELO, MS. RAJWINDER RIAR, DR. TANAY JOSHI, MR. ALEXANDER HEER, MR. RAINARD MJUNGULI, MS. BETTY MALAKI, MR. ETIENNE BASSET, DR. MONIKA MESSMER, DR. AMRITBIR RIAR</i></p> <p>Moderators: PELUM Uganda, Seed Savers, TOAM and ROAM</p>
4:30 -5.00	HEALTH BREAK & EXHIBITIONS
5.00 pm – 6.00 pm	<p>BREAK OUT SESSIONS:</p> <p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <p>1. FARM RESILIENCE ASSESSMENT USING FAO'S ADAPTED SHARP+ TOOL IN BUSIA COUNTY, KENYA- <i>MS. SOPHIE VAN DEN BERG, DR. CHARLES NWOKORO, MS. ELIZABETH IMBO, MS. ALEKSANDRA WYBIERSKA, MS. MARNIE PANNATIER, MS. JIMENA MONROY, DR. CORNELIA SPEICH MRS. KESSO GABRIELLE VAN ZUTPHEN, DR. TANJA BARTH</i></p> <p>2. EVALUATION OF THE GLOBAL ADVOCACY PROJECT (GAP) FOR THE ECOLOGICAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE INITIATIVE: FOCUS ON EASTERN AFRICA – <i>MS. VENANCIA WAMBUA, MR ALEX MUTUNGI AND DR. DAVID AMUDAVI</i></p> <p>Theme 5: Institutional and policy drivers for Agroecological transformations</p> <p>1. POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS ON AGROECOLOGY APPROACHES FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SYSTEMS THAT ENHANCE FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IN VIHIGA COUNTY-KENYA- <i>MR. REUBEN CHUMBA K. B., MS. OLIMBA LILLIAN ALUSO, DR. CAROLINE WAMBUI, MRS. ENNIA BOSSHARD, MR. HARRISON CARTER</i></p> <p>2. BREAKING THE CYCLE OF DEBT, POVERTY, AND HUNGER TO BUILD RESILIENT AGROECOLOGICAL FOOD SYSTEMS - <i>DR. HANS R. HERREN, DR. MILLION BELAY, MS. LI CHING LIM, DR. JENNIFER CLAPP, MS. SHALMALI GUTTAL, DR. DESMOND MCNEILL, MS. SOFIA MONSALVE SUÁREZ, DR. RAJEEV PATEL, MR. NICHOLAS JACOBS, DR. EMILE FRISON</i></p> <p>Theme 5: Institutional and policy drivers for Agroecological transformations</p> <p>1. MAINSTREAMING AGROECOLOGICAL POLICY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS IN AGRICULTURE FOR TRANSFORMING FOOD SYSTEMS: THE CASE OF MURANGA AND KIAMBU COUNTIES – <i>MS. FAITH GIKUNDA MR. GATHURU MBURU</i></p> <p>2. AGROECOLOGY ISSUES IN AGRICULTURAL AND ALLIED POLICIES: EXPERIENCE FROM TANZANIA - <i>DR. DEVOTHA MOSHA, DR. SUZANA NYANDA, PROF. DISMAS MWASEBA</i></p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Martin Oulu</p>

DAY THREE: 23 RD MARCH 2023	
Timings	Activity
7.00 am – 8.30 pm	Viewing of posters/ exhibitions
8.30am – 10:30 am	<p>PLENARY SESSION 5</p> <p>Reflections on Day 2 Keynote Speech: <i>Financing Food Systems for Environmental and Socio-Economic Development in Africa</i> – Dr. Frank Eyhorn, CEO Biovision Foundation</p> <p>Speaker 1: <i>Indigenous food systems and especially pastoral-based systems:</i> Milka Chepkorir, Coordinator of Community Land Action NOW! CLAN</p> <p>Speaker 2: <i>Financing Agroecology in Eastern Africa: Emerging Opportunities and Aspirations</i>-Daniel Moss, Co-Director Agroecology Fund</p> <p>Roundtable Discussion of Development Partners & Donors: <i>(SDC, Biovision Foundation, Agroecology Fund, SSNC, GIZ, SWISSAID Tanzania, ICRAF, AFSA)</i></p> <p>Moderator: Markus Arbenz, FiBL</p>
11:00am – 1:00 am	<p>BREAK OUT SESSIONS:</p> <p><i>Theme 3: Women and Youth in Agroecology</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. FOOD SOURCES AND DIETARY DIVERSITY AMONG CONVENTIONAL AND ORGANIC FEMALE FARMERS IN MURANG'A COUNTY, KENYA - <i>DR. KADZERE IRENE, DR. ANNE MURIUKI, MS. MARIAN KAMAU, MR. DAVID GATHUKA, DR. PETER MOKAYA, DR. NOAH ADAMTEY, MS. MARLENE HEEB, DR. CHRISTIAN SCHADER, PROF. ISABELLE HERTER-AEBERLI</i> 2. ENHANCING RESEARCH THROUGH FARMERS RESEARCH NETWORKS: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES – <i>SUZANA NYANDA & DR. DEVOTHA MOSHA, DR. SIWEL NYAMBA, DR. NEWTON KILASI, PROF. DISMAS MWASEBA</i> 3. AGROECOLOGICAL AND SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS AS A FRAMEWORK TO EMPOWER WOMEN AND YOUTH IN EAST AFRICA - <i>MS. CELINA BUTALI & DR. MONICA NDERIT</i> 4. INCREASING PRODUCTIVITY AND REDUCING POVERTY THROUGH REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY – <i>MS. CHIARA BAIOTTO</i> <p><i>Theme 5: Institutional and policy drivers for Agroecological transformations</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMERGING MESSAGES ON VIABILITY OF AGROECOLOGICAL PRACTICES IN AFRICA -<i>MR. RIC COE</i> 2. TESTING CO-MANAGEMENT AS AN OPTION OF SUSTAINING FISHERY RESOURCES FOR AN OPEN ACCESS WATER BODY: THE CASE OF LAKE MALAWI IN NKHOTAKOTA DISTRICT- <i>MS. CYNTHIA VUGUTSA, DR. CHARITY CHANZA, PROF. EMMANUEL KAUNDA</i>

	<p>3. THE ROLE OF AFRICAN PROGRESSIVE CULTURAL PRACTICES AND SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS ON SUSTAINABLE AGRI-FOOD SYSTEMS AND IMPROVED NUTRITION -<i>MS. SALOME OWUONDA, DR. SARAH OLEMBO</i></p> <p>Theme 6: Financing agroecological transformations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PROSPEROUS LAND, PROSPEROUS PEOPLE: SCALING FINANCE FOR NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS IN KENYA - <i>MR. JEREMIAH ROGITO</i> 2. THE AGROECOLOGY COALITION: AN OPPORTUNITY TO ACCELERATE THE NECESSARY FOOD SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION- <i>DR. EMILE FRISON, MR. OLIVER OLIVEROS</i> 3. PUBLIC INVESTMENTS IN ORGANIC AGRICULTURE IN KENYA – <i>DR. DAVID AMUDAVI, VENANCIA WAMBUA AND ALEX MUTUNGI</i> <p>Theme 1: Production, productivity, scaling up and sustainability of farming systems based on environmentally friendly technologies and methodologies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EFFECT OF FIELD MARGIN VEGETATION ON NATURAL PEST REGULATION IN DOLICHOS BEAN (LABLAB PURPUREUS L.)-<i>JANET OBANYI, PROF. JOSHUA OGENDO EGERTON UNIVERSITY, PROF. RICHARD MULWA, DR. JANE NYAANGA, PROF. ERICK CHERUIYOT, DR. PHILIP BETT, PROF. STEVEN BELMAIN, PROF. SARAH ARNOLD, DR. VICTORIA WOOLLEY, PROF. PHILIP STEVENSON</i> 2. AGROECOLOGICAL PRACTICES STRENGTHEN PERCEIVED ABILITY TO COPE WITH CLIMATE CHANGE - <i>DR. AMRITBIR RIAR MR. ALEXANDER HEER, MS. VERONICA MASSAWE, MS. RAJWINDER RIAR, DR. TANAY JOSHI, MR. RAINARD MJUNGULI, MS. SARAH MADER, MS. BETTY MALAKI, MR. ETIENNE BASSET, DR. MONIKA MESSMER</i> 3. INTEGRATED APPROACHES TO SUPPORTING SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS: ASSET-BASED AND AGENCY-BASED APPROACHES, LANDSCAPE LEVEL COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE AND CITIZEN SCIENCE - <i>LISA FUCHS</i> <p>Moderators: ISFAA, ESAFF, Swiss Aid Tanzania, FiBL, Pelum Kenya</p>
<p>2.00pm – 5.30pm</p>	<p>OFFICIAL CLOSING CEREMONY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call 2 Action: Ms Venancia Wambua • Official Closing Speech: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hon. Frank Tumwebaze- Cabinet Minister of Agriculture -Uganda ○ Hon. Mithika Linturi - Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, Kenya • Closing Remarks: Member of the COC-ISFAA • Vote of Thanks: Dr Sarah Olembo <p>Closing Prayer: TBC</p> <p>Master of Ceremony – MS VICTORIA RUBADIRI</p> <p>Chief Rapporteur - Ms. VIOLET V. NYANDO</p>

	DAY FOUR: 24TH MARCH 2023
7.00 am – 4.30 pm	EXCURSION: FARM VISITS – Excursion Sub Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Machakos: Mr. Charles Mawia’s Farm • Limuru: Brackenhurst Organic Farm • Kiambu: Grow Biointensive Agriculture Centre of Kenya (G-BIACK)

Programme for Side Events

Organizations planning side events:

- Ecological Organic Agriculture (EOA) Initiative
- Intersectoral Forum on Agrobiodiversity & Agroecology (ISFAA)
- SWISSAID Tanzania
- PELUM Association with specific country representation from PELUM KENYA, PELUM UGANDA, PELUM TANZANIA, PELUM ETHIOPIA

Day	Time	Title	Room	TIME
21 st March	SWISSAID Tanzania	Seed sovereignty for food and nutrition security, income, and resilience to climate change, agroecological transformation and sustainable food systems	Mount Kenya C	11.00-1.00pm
21 ST March	Intersectoral Forum on Agrobiodiversity & Agroecology (ISFAA)	Ongoing policy and legislative initiatives and the role of multi-stakeholder platforms (MSPs) in influencing policy and scaling up Agroecology in East Africa.	Mount Kenya C	2.00pm-4.00pm
22 nd March	The AU Ecological Organic Agriculture (EOA) Initiative)	Best EOA Practices and Successes for scaling up Agroecological Initiatives	Mount Kenya C	11.00-1.00pm
22 rd March	GIZ ProSilience	Economics of Agroecology	Mount Kenya C	2.00pm - 4.00pm
22 rd March	The U.S. Mission to the African Union (USAU)	Modelling contribution of agroecology to nutrition and food security	Mount Kenya C	4.00pm - 6.00pm
23 nd March	PELUM Association	Agroecology for resilient food systems	Mount Kenya C	11.00-1.00pm