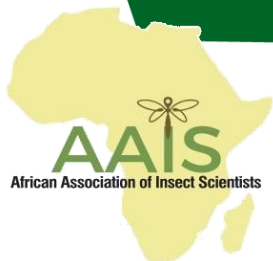


SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT 24TH MEETING AND SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE OF THE AFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF INSECT SCIENTISTS (AAIS)

CALL FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION



Dates: 22nd – 26th November 2021
Venue: Addis Ababa University/African Union Headquarters
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

THEME:

“Migratory Pests and Invasive Species: Early Warning System, Monitoring, Control and their Impact on Food Security, Environment and Livelihoods during COVID-19 pandemic.”

The Executive Committee of the AAIS and the Entomological Society of Ethiopia (ESE) Addis Ababa University (AAU) and the African Union invite you to the 24th AAIS Meeting and Scientific Conference, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The conference will provide a forum for effective communication and exchanging of information and ideas between participants on various aspects of insect science. It will also promote the advancement and dissemination of knowledge relevant to the needs of Africa. Approximately, about 300 scientists are expected to attend the conference both from outside and within Ethiopia.

Languages

English and French will be the main languages at the conference. Translation will be available during plenary sessions.

Submission of Abstracts

Abstracts should be submitted using the application form on the AAIS website: <https://aaisafrica.org/submit-abstract/> not later than the deadline, 30th April 2021.

Selection and Notification Process

Notification of acceptance of contributions will be made by the end of June 2021. Abstracts (in either English or French) should not exceed 300 words and 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 the First author name. Save in version MS word 2003 or later (.doc or .docx extension).



Oral Presentations

The presentation of the contributed papers is limited to 10 minutes and 5 minutes of discussion. All authors are invited to prepare their oral communications using AAIS PowerPoint template available on the AAIS website link: <http://aaisafrica.org/downloads/>.

Posters

The presentations on posters will be made on a surface of 90cm x 90cm. The text should be legible from a distance of 2 meters. Although posters will be on display throughout the conference, during poster sessions, contributors will be expected to avail themselves for discussions with the participants.

Sponsorship

Fellowships to enable students and young scientists undertaking cutting edge research to participate may be available. Deserving applicants may apply to the Hon. Secretary-General aaissecretary@gmail.com; oke2abiola@yahoo.com for consideration. Participants are also encouraged to approach other donors/agencies or institutions for assistance. The Secretariat can issue a letter of invitation on request to support such efforts. Female participants are highly encouraged to apply.

Young Scientists Award

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

Registration

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

Registration

Cost of registration	Amount (USD)
Corporate delegate	1000
Honorary delegate	500
Non-member of AAIS	200
Foreign delegate, member of AAIS	150
Local participant, member of AAIS/ Entomological Society of Ethiopia (ESE)	100
Local participant, student, and member of AAIS/ Entomological Society of Ethiopia (ESE)	50

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

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

- Account Name: AAIS
- Account No: 402000864 (US Dollars)
- Swift Code: KCBLKENX
- Bank: Kenya Commercial Bank Ltd.
- Moi Avenue Branch, P.O. Box 30081, Nairobi, Kenya. Telegrams KENCOM, Nairobi
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Please indicate clearly on the transfer that the payment is for the 24th AAIS Conference. Any transfer fees are payable by the participant. Payments done in cash can be addressed to the treasurer of the LOC with receipt as a proof of payment.

Accommodation

Name of the hotel	Contact details/cost in USD
Semien Hotel	
Addis View Hotel	
Ras Amba Hotel	
Desalegn Hotel	
Ararat Hotel	
Gion Hotel	
Eliele Hotels	

All these hotels are nearer to Addis Ababa University. Transport from the hotel to conference will be provided. Accommodation rates (all B&B) have been negotiated for the interested delegates. Please note that the rates vary between hotels. The option of shared rooms exists at the participants' discretion to help reduce costs. For booking, please liaise with the LOC.

All participants are requested to organize their booking as early as possible.

For further information on accommodation, kindly liaise with the hospitality committee of the LOC: Dr Ofgaa Djirata, email ofgaa.djirata@gmail.com; Mr Abera Haile, email, abera.hailu@wku.edu.et

Banking and Currency Exchange

The currency in Ethiopia is Ethiopian Birr (ETB), participants are encouraged to convert their respective currencies into Euros or US dollars to facilitate exchange. We strongly advise participants to take comprehensive short term medical and travel insurance, which should cover the possibility of any unforeseeable occurrences.

Socio-Cultural Activities

We shall organize a conference dinner for Tuesday 23rd November and excursions for Wednesday 24th November afternoon.

Immigration and Visa Requirements

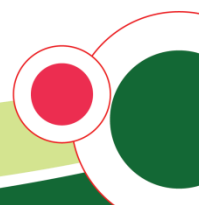
Participants should contact the Embassy of Ethiopia or the consular office in their respective countries for relevant documents. For participants from countries without an Embassy of Ethiopia, please liaise with the LOC (email address: egetudegaga@yahoo.com or esesociety2020@gmail.com) to facilitate your visa process.

Ministry of Health Regulation

All participants are requested to follow ministry of health regulations regarding the Covid-19 pandemic. Yellow fever vaccine is also mandatory.

Airport Transfer

Foreign Participants will arrive in Addis Ababa through Bole International Airport. Participants will be received and transferred to their respective hotels. LOC will facilitate everything.



Theme

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SUB-THEMES

- Desert Locusts: Monitoring Surveillance and Control
- Invasive species in Africa: Monitoring Surveillance and Control
- Commercial and Edible insects for improved livelihood
- Impacts of climate change on insects in Africa: opportunities and threats
- Insect biodiversity and Taxonomy
- Biological control for a sustainable environment and food security in Africa
- Beneficial insects (bees, silk) in pollination and sustainable livelihoods in Africa
- Human Health including Medical entomology and Public Health
- Veterinary Entomology: Study of animal diseases and acarology
- Socio-economic impact of insects on food security and livelihood
- Technology Transfer and Capacity Building
- Regional Policies on the production of safe food



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Featured activities Side events

- Desert Locusts management
- Fall Armyworm and its implication on Food Security in Africa: Lessons learned
- Capacity Building-African Entomology Curriculum

Scientific programme

The scientific programme will include an inaugural conference, seven plenary sessions and scientific presentations in relation to the respective sub-themes. Members are encouraged to organize round-tables/symposia with thematic focus areas

For more information please contact:

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