

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

IN THE EAC PARTNER STATES

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Years of

Independence

Lessons from the past 50 years and prospects for the future.

DATE : November 04 to 08, 2013 Venue: Serena Hotel-Kampala



SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

About the International Symposium on Agriculture:

By December, 2013, all the EAC partner states will have celebrated 50 years since independence. To commemorate this period, Kilimo Trust together with the EAC Secretariat and ASARECA are organizing an International Symposium on Agriculture (ISA) to be held from 4th to 8th November, 2013 at Serena Hotel – Kampala, under the theme “Agricultural Development in the EAC: lessons from the past 50 years and prospects for the future”.

The symposium will aim to articulate an EAC Regional Vision of Agriculture for the future as a modern and vibrant sector that fully takes advantage of the region’s endowment with resources (youthful population, arable land, water and now the realization of oil and gas) coupled with the ever increasing global demand for food and agricultural products.

Objectives:

- ◆ To assess what worked and what did not work in agriculture for food and income security as well as for wealth creation in the EAC Partner States since independence.
- ◆ To articulate on how best the EAC can operate as a block on matters of agricultural development.
- ◆ To develop a framework for making the East African Common Market work better to revolutionize agriculture and food security in the region.
- ◆ To discuss the recommendations of the technical symposium with regional decision makers from public, private and development sectors and identify areas of possible investment.
- ◆ Propose the identified areas of investment to the Summit Meeting of the EAC Heads of State for public support.

Why Attend?

- 1) Participate in deliberating on the strides the region has made with regard to agricultural development, what went right (or wrong) in the past 50 years and the way forward for the region.
- 2) Promote your organization’s undertakings among the participating high level delegates who are potential clients and/or partners of your business going forward.
- 3) Articulate your vision to the decision makers in the sector (CEOs, Ministers and Presidents of multi-lateral development organization) who will be participating in the Executive Round Table Meeting.

For more information about the symposium and registration, kindly contact Kilimo Trust on:

Participants?

The symposium will be attended by representatives of :

- * The private sector in agriculture in the region, including farmers, leaders of farmer organizations and agribusiness players along value chains
- * Relevant ministries and departments of government (such as agriculture, industries and trade, and lands and water resources)
- * National Agricultural Research Organizations, Universities and Extension Services
- * CGIAR centres especially those based in Africa
- * International development organizations supporting agriculture in the EAC Region
- * The private sector providing services to the agricultural sector in the region
- * Civil society organizations
- * The youth in agriculture

Important Days

- ◆ **4th November, 2013** – Youth in Agriculture Workshop
- ◆ **5th to 7th November, 2013** – Technical Symposium
- ◆ **8th November, 2013** – High Level Executive Round Table

Registration Structure

Registration for participation = US\$ 300 per delegate and will cover attending the exhibitions, break out teas and buffet lunch. Participants will be responsible for their own accommodation and dinner.

Registration to exhibit = US\$ 450 per booth and will cover a 3 m by 3 m booth, one table, two chairs and branding material, accreditation tags and meals.

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