

Dear Sir/Madam,

Department of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka is organizing the “**International Trade Fair- Organics and Millets 2018**” along with **Event and Knowledge partner (ICCOA)**. The event is scheduled to be held at Bangalore Palace, Bengaluru from **19th to 21st of January 2018**. This is contemplated in the background of experience of a very successful National Trade Fair Organics & Millets hosted during April 2017 at Bengaluru. The National Trade Fair attracted large participation and interest amongst various stakeholders. The outcomes of the National Trade Fair need to be consolidated and taken forward. Hence the International Trade Fair contemplated.

ITF-O&M-2018 will include a Hi-quality Exhibition of Organic Products & Millets, Buyer-Seller Meet, International Conference, Consumer Connect Programmes and Farmers’ Workshop in Local language and in Hindi, among other things focusing various aspects pertinent to Organics & Millets. The event would provide an opportunity to Marketers, Food Processors, Equipment Manufacturers who have engaged in the field of organics and millets not only to showcase their strength and also to connect with the Farmers. It is planned to organize the whole event in a way that the emerging technology and knowledge process is grounded to meet the requirements of various stakeholders.

It is our pleasure to inform and invite your active participation at India’s biggest International conference on organic agriculture.

Theme: “Organics and Millets - Enhancing Farmers’ income in Rainfed regions”

Date: 19.01.2018 to 21.01.2018

Venue: Palace Grounds, Bangalore, India

This International conference is designed to bring into focus new opportunities in the organic sector and to enable knowledge sharing with the global organic community. It addresses a wide spectrum of knowledge domains including policy matters, research and development activities, industry practices, new business ideas, market development, among others. These topics will be addressed and attended by eminent speakers from India and abroad, including EU, Korea, Phillipines, USA and others.

We kindly request your good office to submit abstract for the conference as detailed below and also send officials to attend the same.

The main topics to be covered are -

1. **Farm biodiversity- key to sustainability**
2. **Sustainability through technology- Research and Developments in Organic agriculture!**
3. **Innovations in organic practices & techniques**
4. **Sustainability through markets (domestic and International)**
5. **Policies to promote Organic Sector**
6. ***Millets- Future of Agriculture- Success stories and technical updates***
7. **Start up on Millets**
8. ***Value Chain Management in Organic Agriculture***
9. ***Organic Textiles, Animal Husbandry etc.***

Abstracts:

Title of the Paper: 14pt Times New Roman bold title case

Author and affiliation: 12pt Times New Roman bold

Text: 12pt Times New Roman font, 350-400 words including 4-5 keywords. Use A4 size paper, portrait, 1.5 line spacing.

Submit: Soft copy to jaydip.roy@iccoa.org, events@iccoa.org, certification@iccoa.org

Important Dates:

Last date of Submission of Abstracts: **01.12.2017**

Intimation of Acceptance: **5.12.2017**

Once abstracts are selected the required speakers need to submit PPT (20 nos.) slides to be reviewed by the committee.

We request you to circulate among senior officials/scientists/any other contacts to submit papers for the conference on any of the topics as mentioned above. Few papers will also be selected for poster presentation. Details of poster will be intimated in due course.

Looking forward to hearing from you on your participation in the International Conference and sharing your experiences on one of the different aspects influencing the development and growth of Organic Agriculture.

Pl feel free to contact undersigned for any clarification.

Thanks and Regards,

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