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**Towards shifting
paradigms
in agriculture for a healthy
and
sustainable future**



**Tropentag 2021
University of Hohenheim,
Stuttgart, Germany**

www.tropentag.de



Tropentag is an international annual conference on research in tropical and subtropical agriculture and rural development. It is jointly organised by the universities of Berlin, Bonn, Goettingen, Hohenheim, Kassel, ZALF e.V. (all Germany), Ghent University (Belgium), Czech University of Life Sciences Prague (Czech Republic), BOKU Vienna (Austria), and the Council for Tropical and Subtropical Research (ATSAF e.V.)

Tropentag is interdisciplinary, science-based and development-oriented. It addresses issues of agriculture, agro-/forestry, fisheries, and overarching topics of natural resources management, environmental and economic sustainability, food security, and nutrition in the context of rural development and poverty alleviation worldwide. The conference brings together students, junior and senior scientists, development practitioners, and experts from international research and funding organisations.

Tropentag 2021 is organised by the Institute of Agricultural Sciences in the Tropics (Hans-Ruthenberg-Institute) at the University of Hohenheim, Germany.

All MSc and PhD students, scientists, extension workers, decision makers and politicians interested and engaged in agricultural research and rural development are cordially invited to participate and actively contribute. We particularly encourage young scientists (MSc and PhD students and Post Docs) to present their work.

We look forward to welcoming you either physically at the University of Hohenheim or online in September 2021

Host Institution and Venue:

University of Hohenheim
and
online

Conference theme

“Towards shifting paradigms in agriculture for a healthy and sustainable future”.

Agriculture needs to be perceived in the minds of the people as in line with nature – we need to shift paradigms to a positive relationship between humans, environment, ecology and nature. Only products produced in line with the need and requirements of the planet should be positive in the minds of the people. If we achieve that, we may be able to still save the planet for a healthy and sustainable future. That is the discussion we would like to start (or indeed continue) during *Tropentag 2021* in Hohenheim

Tropentag 2021 will review recent research results addressing these challenges from various points of view with different approaches. Discussions in plenary and thematic sessions, guided poster tours, and workshops will provide participants with new ideas to enhance our understanding and to keep the conversation going **“Towards shifting paradigms in agriculture for a healthy and sustainable future”.**

CGIAR Feature Center-of-the-year

In 2021, we spotlight the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI). ILRI’s mission is to improve food and nutritional security and to reduce poverty in developing countries through research for efficient, safe and sustainable use of livestock—ensuring better lives through livestock. ILRI is co-hosted by Kenya and Ethiopia, and has 14 offices across Asia and Africa. ILRI’s research is carried out in close collaboration with hundreds of partners, including national and regional research institutes, civil society organisations, academia, development organisations and the private sector. ILRI’s vision and mission fits very well with the overarching topic of *Tropentag 2021*.

Conference structure

The theme of *Tropentag 2021* will be introduced by invited international guest speakers and developed further by keynote speeches in parallel thematic sessions. The latter span the diversity of research related to shifting paradigms in agriculture for a healthy and sustainable future. Related aspects will be addressed by oral presentations and guided poster sessions.

Due to the on-going pandemic and resultant restrictions, there will be no Apéro social evening and conference dinner this year. However, we encourage participants to take any available on-line opportunities for networking, discussion and exchange.

Preliminary programme

14.09.	pm	Pre-conference online workshops
15.09.	am	Pre-conference online workshops
	pm	Opening (13:00 h) keynote session, <i>fiat panis</i> session, Parallel thematic oral sessions
16.09.	am	Poster sessions Parallel thematic oral sessions
	pm	Parallel thematic oral sessions Poster sessions
17.09.	am	Poster sessions Plenary keynote session Closing (around 13:30h)
	pm	Post-conference online workshops

Submission procedure

The conference language is English. Abstracts of original research containing 250-350 words must be submitted by May 03, 2021, using the online form at www.tropentag.de. Please ensure that submitted abstracts meet quality standards for content and language. A panel of referees will decide on acceptance of an abstract as a poster or an oral contribution. A programme committee will allocate accepted contributions to the sessions. Acceptance of abstracts will be sent by June 01, 2021. Contributors must confirm their participation by June 15, 2021 and pay their conference fee before July 15, 2021. Poster contributions will be grouped into thematic clusters and addressed in guided poster sessions. All presented contributions will be contained in the online Book of Abstracts.

Workshops

You may organise your own workshop, specifically tailored to your audience. You may wish to tackle a particular topic, offer capacity building or gather task forces for projects. The only condition is that your topic should be related to tropical agriculture in a wider sense.

Workshops can be offered on Tuesday 14.09. (13:00 - 17:00), Wednesday 15.09. (09:00 - 12:00) and Friday 17.09. (14:00 - 18:00 h).

To offer a workshop, please apply and describe its topic and objective as well as expected participant number by using the template provided at: <https://www.tropentag.de/conference/workshop.php>.

Please send your application to info@tropentag.de not later than 03.05.2021. You will receive feedback on your application not later than 01.06.2021; in case of approval, details will be individually discussed with the *Tropentag* organisation team.

Dates and deadlines

Submission of abstracts	03.05.2021
Submission of workshops	03.05.2021
Acceptance of abstracts	01.06.2021
Acceptance of workshops	01.06.2021
Reconfirmation of participation	15.06.2021
Early bird payment of conference fees by contributors	15.07.2021

Conference fees

	By 15.08.2021	Later
Full participants	€ 50	€75
PhD candidates	€ 30	€45
ATSAF PhD members	€ 30	€45
Students	€ 10	€15

After online registration, you can either pay your conference fee by bank transfer or via an online payment service.

Organisation and contacts

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