



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ORGANIC AGRICULTURE (ICOA 2020)

*THEME: Multi-faceted Strategies of Organic Agriculture
Contributing to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)*



JULY 29-31, 2020
Los Banos, Laguna

**The Interdisciplinary Studies Center on Organic Agriculture
(IdSC OA)**

University of the Philippines Los Banos (UPLB)

invites your active participation

to the ICOA 2020! Pre-Registration starts now!

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The Interdisciplinary Studies Center on Organic Agriculture (IDSC-OA) brings you the latest research breakthroughs, strategies that work and sustainable approaches in the field of organic agriculture.

Meet and learn from organic agriculture champions, advocates, practitioners and professionals, academics and researchers.

Make meaningful connections with stakeholders in the organic agriculture field and industry. Get involved. Share your knowledge. Be part of the conversation. Join the ICOA 2020. See you on July 2020! "

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- ❖ as **PARTICIPANT / AUDIENCE**
- ❖ as **ORAL PAPER PRESENTER** (working title of the paper may be submitted)
- ❖ as **POSTER PRESENTER** (working title of the poster may be submitted)
- ❖ as **ORGANIC MARKET SELLER** (indicate the products to be sold, name of association or coop where affiliated)
- ❖ as **TECHNOLOGY OR PRODUCT EXHIBITOR** (indicate the technology or products to be exhibited and the name of company/organization)
- ❖ as **SPONSOR**

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EVENTS

July 29-30, 2020

- Main conference (Plenary Presentations and Panel Discussion)
- Posters and Technology Exhibits
- Organic Products Market

July 31, 2020

- Field Tour to Organic Farms (optional)

OBJECTIVES

- 1 Share and synthesize knowledge and experiences, science research outputs, indigenous and traditional knowledge systems, good practices, opportunities and innovations and multi-faceted strategies by which organic agriculture contributes to the attainment of SDGs;
- 2 Identify strategies and directions to mainstream organic agriculture's significance towards attainment of the SDGs;
- 3 Promote collaborative mechanisms to strengthen the organic agriculture sector while contributing to the SDGs.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS for the ICOA 2020 plenary and poster presentations IS NOW OPEN! PLEASE USE THIS LINK:

 <https://forms.gle/g8pvUo6whhFajJQg9>

General Submission guidelines:

- Abstracts should have 300-350 words.
- Present briefly the objective(s), methodology, key findings, and conclusion. Indicate 2-4 keywords.

IMPORTANT DATES

Deadline of Abstract Submission:
January 31, 2020

Notification of Accepted Abstracts
February 29, 2020

Early Bird Registration:
March 31, 2020

Regular and Student Registration:
May 31, 2020

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REGISTRATION FEES

	Local (Php)	International	Deadline
Early Bird	3, 500.00	\$ 100	March 31, 2020
Regular	5, 000.00	\$ 150	May 31, 2020
Student (with ID)	3, 500.00	\$ 100	May 31, 2020

Conference Topics

Main Session A

Global and regional program initiatives on organic agriculture contributing to the attainment of SDGs

(Presentations from International Organizations)

Main Session B

Multi-faceted strategies by which organic agriculture addresses the SDGs and targets

1. Technical aspects:

- Organic crops, animals and aquatic production systems;
- Soils and pest management;
- Organic soil amendments;
- Post-harvest technologies;
- Organic food and non-food processing;
- Mechanization and labor-saving devices;
- Information Technology and computing applications

2. Economic aspects:

- Entrepreneurship;
- Supply and value chains;
- Agribusiness, Marketing, Trade;
- Standards, certification and guarantee systems

3. Environmental aspects:

- Agrobiodiversity;
- Agroecology;
- Sustainability issues (land use, soils, water, atmosphere);
- Climate change adaptation and mitigation

4. Policy-institutional aspects:

- Policy studies;
- Governance;
- Institutional linkages and support systems

5. Socio-cultural aspects:

- Health, wellness and nutrition;
- Food systems, food safety;
- Youth engagement and education;
- Gender issues;
- Indigenous knowledge systems;
- Inclusive growth and engagement of smallholder farm families;
- Development communication

Main Session C

In-country and multi-country experiences to strengthen the organic agriculture sector while contributing to the SDGs

1. Multi-stakeholder engagement
2. Local government initiatives
3. National programs
4. Multi-country collaboration and networks