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**SIMLESA Conference on “Taking stock on Sustainable Intensification Research for Impact in ESA:
Implications and Strategies for the Future”
Mount Meru Hotel, Arusha, Tanzania 19-22 June 2017**

Day 1 Monday 19 June 08:30-16:00	Pre-conference event internal SIMLESA Partners Meeting - including PSC and PMC members Revisiting SIMLESA 2010-2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Addressing achievements and challenges and future areas of research Transforming SIMLESA beyond 2018: Overview of SDICSA CN Discussion on feed backs and inputs 				
	Session/ Activity	Presenter	Chair	Rapporteur Synthesis	Facilitator
Day-2 Tuesday 20 June 08:00- 08:30	Session 1 Welcome and Official Opening				
	Participants registration and arrival of guests		Dr Hussein Mansoor Director DRD, Tanzania Chair Local Organizing Committee		Conference Facilitator and Rose Faju
08:30-09:30	Introductions/Welcome Remarks (15min each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof Martin Kropff (Director General, CIMMYT) Prof Andrew Campbell (Chief Executive Officer, ACIAR) Dr John Dixon (ACIAR Principal Advisor and Research Program Manager) Dr Eric Craswell (Chair of SIMLESA's Program Steering Committee) 			Conference Facilitator	Mulugetta Mekuria SIMLESA Project Leader
09:30 -10:00	Official Opening: Guest of Honour; Hon Eng. Dr Charles Tizeba Minister of Agriculture and Food Security United Republic of Tanzania	Introductions of guest of honour-Dr Hussein Mansoor- Vote of thanks- CIMMYT DG			Conference Facilitator
10:00 -10:30	Keynote address: CIMMYT'S Strategy for Climate Smart Resilient Systems for Africa	Prof Martin Kropff- CIMMYT DG	Hon Eng Matthew J.Mtigumwe; Permanent Secretary of Agriculture and Food Security. Tanzania		
10:30-11:00	Coffee break and group photograph				Johnson Siamachira Comms (SIMLESA)
11:00-13:00	Session 2 Invited paper: Revisiting and Understanding Sustainable Intensification-20min each				
11:00-11:20	A systems approach to increase productivity and food security: Insights from SIMLESA	Mulugetta Mekuria SIMLESA Program Leader Daniel Rodriguez University of Queensland ,	Eric Craswell - SIMLESA PSC Chair	Paswel Marenya and Caspar Roxburgh	

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11:20-11:40	The Science Agenda for African Agriculture: Role of Sustainable Intensification as a driver for economic growth	Prof Mandi Rukuni, formerly University of Zimbabwe- Independent Consultant			
11:40-12:00	Targets and metrics for environmental sustainability: Experiences and lessons from Africa RISING	Prof Siege Snapp Soils and Cropping Systems Ecologist Michigan State University			
12:00- 12:20	The Future of Sustainable Intensification and diversification for different rural environments: A global perspective	Dr John Dixon: ACIAR Principal Advisor and Research Program Manager			
12:20-13:00	General Discussion on Session 2–Invited papers-1				
13:00-14:00	Lunch break				
14:00 – 15:00	<i>Invited Papers-2: Promoting Equity through Sustainable Intensification Research and Development initiatives</i>		Dr Olga Faftine, DG IIAM Mozambique PSC Member	Michael Misiko and Joe Eyre	
14:00-14:15	Strategies to achieve equity: Mainstreaming Gender and Youth participation in Agricultural Research and Development	Dr Maureen Miruka CARE USA, Director, Agriculture and Markets Systems CARE International ECSARO, Nairobi Kenya			
14:15-14: 30	Institutions to foster outcomes for gender with respect to climate variability and small mechanization for CA: SRFSI experience and relevance for Africa	Prof Fay Rola-Rubzen , Curtis University, Perth- Australia			
14:30- 14:45	Financial institutions and rural agricultural transformation: creating opportunities to enhance and diversify sources of farming livelihoods.	Esther Muiruri Equity Bank. Nairobi Kenya			
14:45-15:00	Discussions				
15:00-16:00	<i>Session 3 Plenary: Moderated Panel Sessions- Linkages, Partnerships to enhance Synergies and Scaling Out</i>		Dr Fentahun Mengistu, DG EIAR Ethiopia PSC Member	George Ayaga and Moti Jaleta	
15:00-15:30	Exploiting synergies across Eastern and Southern Africa R4D efforts. What have we learned? How can we collaborate better? How do we improve linkages between these efforts?	Project Leaders and representatives- FACASI, Africa Rising, ZIMCLIFS, STMA, TL-3, DTMASS, TAMASA, Adoption Pathways, N2Africa	Mulugetta/John Dixon		
15:30-16:00	Equitably reaching hundreds of thousands: the role of policy and institutions. A discussion panel with scaling out partners.	Scaling out partners	George Mburathi and Michael Misiko		
16:00-18:00	Coffee Break				
16:00-18:00	<i>Session 4: SIMLESA Village. SIMLESA Country Teams Partners and students’ poster session</i>	SIMLESA Country teams and leaders and partners			
18:30- 21:00	<i>Conference dinner and inspirational speech: Enhancing Youth economic participation and entrepreneurship in Agriculture: Insights from YYTZ</i>	Fahad Awadh ,Founder YYTZ Agro-Processing Ltd. Export Processing Zone Zanzibar	John Dixon Conference Facilitator	Paswel Marenya	

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Day-3 Wednesday 21 June 8:30:00-9:00	Highlights and Synthesis of Day 2	Conference Facilitator	Reporter/Synthesis	Facilitator	
09:00-10:30	Session 5 Thematic Sessions: Building on the legacy of SIMLESA, laying the foundations for the future-3 concurrent sessions	Thematic moderators	Dr Wilkson. Makumba Director DARS Malawi, PSC Member	Daniel Rodriguez and Dias Domingo	
	From fields to communities: From fields to communities: What have we learnt from the innovation platforms and how do they translate to the community level: panellists Patrick Mutuo (formerly, Millennium Villages), Maren Radeny (CCAFS) Bernard Vanlauwe (IITA) and Paul Murphy (Radicale Seeds, Australia)	Michael Misiko and Paswel Marenya , CIMMYT-SIMLESA			
	From incremental to transformational systems From incremental to transformational systems: What are the most likely transformational changes that will produce dramatic gains in food and nutrition security? Mechanisation, irrigation, ICTs. Panellists: Esther Muiruri (Equity Bank), Caspar Roxburg (QAAFI), Peter Thorne (ILRI), Leonidas Dusengemungu (RAB)	Frederic Baudron and Walter Mupangwa CIMMYT-FACASI	Dr Felister Makini DDG KALRO, PSC Member Kenya	Isaiah Nyagumbo and Donald Siyeni	
	From commodities to market based agri-food systems: We propose the need to work with rural communities to identify opportunities to enhance and diversify sources livelihoods through market linkages. Panellists: - Gil Mucave AgriMerc, Richard Petautchere –NASFAM, Fahad Awadh YYTZ Agro-processing Ltd, Fred Kanampu -IITA- N2Africa	Moti Jaleta and Daniel Rodriguez, SIMLESA and QAAFI	Dr Olaf Erenstein, CIMMYT SEP Director and PSC Member	Peter Setimela and Erin Wilkus CIMMYT-SIMLESA and QAAFI	
10:30-11:00	Coffee break				
11:00 -12:00	Session 6 Reporting from thematic group forums	Thematic moderators	Dr Ambrose Agona, DG NARO, Uganda	Timanyechi Munthali and Bedru Beshir	
12:00-13:00	General discussion				
13:00- 14:00	Lunch				
14:00 - 16:00	Session 7 Plenary session and closing		Mulugetta Mekuria	Daniel Rodriguez	
14:00-14:20	<i>Closing key note: An integrative CSA framework: Implications for SIDICSA</i>	<i>Brian Keating and Paswel Marenya</i>			
14:20- 14:40	<i>Ex ante Impact Assessment of SIMLESA: Initial findings and implications for Investments in Sustainable Intensification R&D</i>	<i>Andrew Alford and independent consultants- ACIAR</i>			
14:40-15:10	PSC Feedback and Report	<i>Eric Craswell, PSC Co- Chair</i>			
15:10-15:30	Conference recommendations/highlights	-Conference Facilitators			
15:30-16:00	Official Closing	CIMMYT, ACIAR and Government of Tanzania	Olaf Erenstein, John Dixon and Hussein Mansoor		
22 June	Field Visit Group 1 :Moshe Group 2 :SARI and Arusha	Local Organizing Committee			