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2017 Joint AAUN Australia Awards Agricultural Research Symposium 15 November 2017



Provisional Symposium Agenda

- 8.45am** **Arrival, Take Seats**
- 9.00am** **Opening Ceremony**
Sustainable agriculture, food security and improved nutrition: ending hunger in Africa
Prof Frans Swanepoel, University of Pretoria, on behalf of Prof John Hearn, co-chair, Australia Africa Universities Network
Prof Peter Mbithi, Vice Chancellor, University of Nairobi (*TBC*)
Senior Representative, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries (*TBC*)
Australian High Commissioner to Kenya (*TBC*)
Prof Robyn McConchie, University of Sydney
- 9.45am** **Break**
- 10.30am** **Panel 1: Climate smart technologies for sustainable agriculture**
Dr Bruce Pengelly on Climate smart agriculture: lessons from SMLESA and in ZimCLIFS
Plus another speaker
- 10.55am** **Panel 2: Maximising data use and new technology for improved nutrition and food security**
Prof Hettie Schonfeldt, University of Pretoria on Food composition data for animal-source foods in Sub Saharan Africa
A/Prof Brett Whelan, University of Sydney on Digital soil mapping for food and soil security
SoilCares on the business of soil testing: innovative agro-technology and integrated soil fertility management in Kenya (*TBC*)
Prof Mu Li, University of Sydney on Using digital technology in health promotion: m-health and m-nutrition
- 11.30am** **Panel 3: Edible Insects: a key piece of the food security puzzle**
Prof Mavis Mulaudzi, University of Pretoria on An analysis of the value chain for indigenous edible insects and their potential role in mother and child nutrition in Eastern and Southern Africa: focus on Mopani (*TBC*)
Dr Sunday Ekesi, icipe, on Insects as Food and Feed in Kenya (*TBC*)
- 12.00pm** **IDIAR Awardees Lightning Presentations**
- 1.00pm** **Lunch plus Networking**
- 2.15pm** **AAUN Case Study Session: “Minimizing waste through value addition and preservation of fresh produce in Nigeria and Kenya” AAUN PRDF grant 2016/2017**
Dr Olaide Aderibigbe, National Horticultural Research Institute Nigeria and 2016 Australia Awards alumna
Prof Kolawole Falade, University of Ibadan
Prof Robyn McConchie, University of Sydney
Prof Florence Olubayo, University of Nairobi
Dr Kim-Yen Phan-Thien, University of Sydney
- 2.45pm** **Working Group Session**

- 3.45pm Working Coffee/Tea Break
- 4.15pm Working Group Report Backs
- 4.45pm Way Forward and Summary
- 5.00pm Vote of Thanks, Close

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