CONFERENCE Programme



'New CONNECTIONS: plant pathology, entomology and the road ahead'
28 June – 30 June 2022 (ONLINE)

Please note carefully: All times stated are British Summer Time (BST, which is GMT +1)

Tuesday, 28th of June

8:00am – 9:00am

Joint chair: **Dr Sylvester Dickson Baguma**, Director of Research, Bulindi Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute, National Agricultural Research Organisation (NARO), Uganda

Joint chair: Prof. Gary Foster, CONNECTED Network Director, University of Bristol, UK

Welcoming remarks from the chairs

Opening Presentation

Prof. Mamokgethi Phakeng, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town, South Africa and first University of Bristol Illustrious Visiting Professor, UK

Plenary presentation

Dr Taro Takahashi, Senior Lecturer in Sustainable Livestock Systems and Food Security, and Joint Food Security Theme Research Lead at Cabot Institute for the Environment, University of Bristol, UK

Chair for all further sessions: Dr Sylvester Dickson Baguma

9:00am – 10:00am

Plenary presentation

Dr Christophe Lacomme, Senior Virologist, Science and Advice for Scottish Agriculture (SASA), UK

10:00 – 11:00am

Plenary presentation

Prof. Toby Bruce, Insect Chemical Ecology, Keele University, UK



11:30am – 1:00pm

Networking activity 1: Topic-based peer support networks

1:30pm – 3:00pm

Presentations

4 X 20 minute slots - 15 min talk + Q&A

Dr Carol Ibe, Founder of JR Biotek Foundation, University of Cambridge, UK

Dr Adrian Fox, Principal Plant Virologist at Fera Ltd, UK

Dr. Oluwatosin Aregbesola, formerly of Wesley University, Ondo, Nigeria

Dr Joseph Daron, Science Manager in International Climate Services, Met Office, UK and Senior Research Fellow, University of Bristol, UK

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Plenary presentation

Prof. Shirley Luckhart, Co-Director of Institute for Health in the Human Ecosystem, University of Idaho, USA



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Wednesday, 29th of June

Plenary presentation

Dr Kolade Olufisayo, International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), Ibadan, Nigeria

Plenary presentation

Dr Saliou Niassy, Head of Agricultural Technology Transfer Unit, International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE), Kenya

Plenary presentation

Dr Adrian Valli, Principal Investigator, Spanish National Center for Biotechnology (CNB-CSIC), Spain



11:30am – 1:00pm

Networking activity 2: Funding applications (ours and yours)

1:30pm – 4:00pm Presentations offered by CONNECTED, BSPP & RES members

8 X 15 minute slots - 10 mins talk + Q&A

Thursday, 30th of June

8:30am – 11:00am

Workshop 1: Innovation in plant vector-borne disease

Involving:

Dr Saliou Niassy, Head of Agricultural Technology Transfer Unit, International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE), Kenya

Dr Andy Evans, Crop Health and Protection Limited (CHAP) UK

Dr Vicky Jones, Cabot Institute for the Environment, University of Bristol, UK

11:30am – 1:00pm

Networking activity 3: Interdisciplinary challenges

1:30pm – 3:30pm

Workshop 2: Current and emerging issues in plant vector-borne disease

Involving Dr Vicky Jones, Cabot Institute for the Environment, University of Bristol, UK

3:30pm – 4:00pm

Summary and closing remarks from our chairs

Dr Sylvester Dickson Baguma and Prof. Gary Foster