



**International
Symposium**
on Cocoa
Research

**Promoting Advances in Research to
Enhance the Profitability of Cocoa Farming**
13 – 17 November 2017
Lima, Peru



COCOA



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RESEARCH



ISCR
2017

The International Cocoa Organization (ICCO), in partnership with the Government of Peru, is organizing the International Symposium on Cocoa Research – ISCR 2017 – to review recent advances in technology and innovations, share information and agree on common strategies aimed at accelerating the development of the world cocoa sector.

The Symposium will be held in Lima, Peru – a country with a rich history in growing fine and flavour cocoa. Peru has one of the highest diversities of cocoa germplasm in the world and boasts of cocoa-related archaeological centres that attract tourists from all over the world. With the highest growth rate in cocoa production among the ten largest cocoa producers, Peru is the ideal place to host this Symposium.

The objective of this Symposium is to provide a platform for the cocoa community and scientists involved in cocoa research to brainstorm on the latest findings in research and foster greater research collaboration among researchers as well as to agree on priorities for collective action.

The theme of the ISCR 2017 is “Promoting Advances in Research to Enhance the Profitability of Cocoa Farming”. The present economic environment as well as the future of the sustainability of cocoa production and trade present a major challenge which requires advances in research to improve the livelihoods in cocoa farming communities.



Participants can register by completing the attached registration form and returning it to **laetitia.aney@icco.org**

The deadline for registration is **31 October 2017.**



For further information on the Symposium, including logistics and other related issues, please consult the ICCO website **www.icco.org/iscr2017**



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Research Papers



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REVIEW AREAS

The ISCR 2017 will review research papers based on the following thematic areas:

- 1. Cocoa genetics and breeding** (including genetic resources and diversity, genomics, accelerated/traditional breeding and propagation);
- 2. Cocoa agronomy, agroforestry and physiology** (including soil and water management, cocoa nutrition management, heavy metals, crop mechanization and irrigation);
- 3. Cocoa pests and diseases** (emerging threats, management etc.);

- 4. Environmental issues in the cocoa sector** (including climate change adaptation and mitigation, sustainability of farming systems i.e. for smallholders, intensified and mechanised systems);
- 5. Cocoa quality, flavour, chocolate manufacturing, consumption and food safety** (including efficient utilization of cocoa and cocoa by-products);
- 6. Cocoa marketing and socio-economic analysis** (including the role of cocoa farmers' livelihood strategies, living income, improved value chains and market access); and
- 7. Adoption of technologies and efficient utilization of results from**

cocoa research (with a focus on understanding and addressing the constraints to adoption).

The Symposium will include keynote speeches and presentations on current tropical issues, to be delivered by distinguished speakers.

Participants at the Symposium will include world renowned cocoa researchers from the public and private sector; policy makers; representatives of development agencies; civil society; cocoa traders, processors and manufacturers; whose work is impacted by advances in research.

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INVITATION

Researchers on cocoa and cocoa related issues from public and private sectors are hereby invited to submit abstracts of their research to be considered for presentation at the ISCR 2017 as well as full papers for publication in the ISCR 2017 Proceedings.

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Abstracts can be submitted online for consideration at www.icco.org/iscr2017/abstracts, starting from 15 April 2017.

The guidelines for the submission of abstracts are as follows:

- 1. An abstract should address one of the seven thematic areas listed above**
- 2. Abstracts can be submitted either in English, French or Spanish**

3. An abstract should be limited to a maximum of 400 words

4. Deadline for the submission of abstracts is 31 May 2017

A Scientific Committee which includes cocoa researchers from renowned institutes will screen all submitted abstracts. The Committee is chaired by Mme Brigitte Laliberté, Scientist with Cacao Genetic, Resources and Diversity at Bioversity International. More information on the members will be posted on the website.

The deadline for the submission of full papers based on the selected abstracts will be 30 September 2017.



The event will be conducted in English with simultaneous interpretation into French and Spanish.



L'événement se déroulera en anglais avec interprétation simultanée en français.



El evento se llevará a cabo en Inglés con traducción simultánea al español.



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Registration & Payment



FEES

A Researchers and the following from ICCO Member countries: government and government institutions, cocoa farmers and cooperatives, civil society (NGOs) with no commercial activities, and students.

Early Bird: US\$200
(until 30th September, 2017)

Standard rate: US\$250

B Others (not specified in group A)

Early Bird: US\$400
(until 30th September, 2017)

Standard rate: US\$500

DETAILS

TITLE	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
LAST NAME	ORGANIZATION	
MAILING ADDRESS	PHONE	
	FAX	
	EMAIL	

The registration fee covers conference materials, breakfast, lunch, post-conference reception and refreshments. No refund will be made to registered participants who fail to attend, but the conference materials will be mailed to them.

PAYMENT

Bank Transfer to organization's account

All bank charges must be charged to purchaser's account.

Account name
Organisation Internationale du Cacao
BankName
Bank of Africa Côte d'Ivoire
Account Number
006802540017
IBAN
C193 CI03 2010 3000 6802 5400 1795
SWIFT Code
AFRICIABXXX

When transferring the payment, it is important to request the bank to quote: "ISCR" plus your name (if payment is made for you only) or the name of your institution (if payment is made for several participants) as your reference, as this will enable us to identify your payment when it is received.

For other methods of payment and further information, please contact us.

Credit/Debit Card
Visa; Visa Electron; and MasterCard

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EXPIRY DATE	ISSUE NO. (SWITCH ONLY)
CARDHOLDER'S NAME	

All bank charges must be charged to purchaser's account. please note that American Express is not accepted. Payment by card will be processed in USD.



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