

Post Conference Tour

A tour to local agricultural sites is scheduled for 6-7 April 2017 after the conference. Participants who are interested in the demonstration of local soil profile and agricultural activities are invited to join the 2D1N tour to Kabuloh Agricultural Station and Borneo Tropical Rainforest in Miri, Sarawak.

Depending on the room types of one's choice, a nominal fee that covers accommodation, logistics, materials, and meals will be charged to those who join the post-conference tour are as below :

Single Room	= RM300.00(USD100) / person
Twin-Sharing Room	= RM250.00(USD70) / person

The tour is limited to 40 participants only where the spots are available based on first-come first-served.

Please contact

Dr. Zakry Fitri Abd Aziz (zakryfitri@upm.edu.my) to reserve a spot. Payment shall be made at the registration counter on the first day of conference.

Tour Itinerary

Date : 6 April 2017

Day : Thursday

Time	Programme
7.00pm	Check out from hotel/meeting time
7.30pm	Departs from hotel
10.30pm	Kabuloh Agriculture Station, Miri Briefing on Kabuloh Agriculture Station Tour around Kabuloh Permanent Station, Miri
12.30pm	Lunch/Rest time
1.00pm	Departs from Kabuloh Agriculture Station, Miri
1.30pm	Borneo Tropical Rainforest Resort, Miri Welcome drink
2.00pm	Check in
3.00pm	Meeting time for Resort Tour Resort Tour(Trailer & Boat Ride)
7.00pm	Dinner (BBQ Buffet and Karaoke)*

Date : 7 April 2017

Day : Friday

Time	Programme
7.30pm	Breakfast is provided by resort
11.30am	Lunch/rest time Check out
1.30pm	Depart from resort
4.30pm	Bintulu Airport

Note : Please ensure to bring suitable and comfortable clothing, towel, sport shoes, hat, sun block and insect repellent. Outside beverage items are not permitted.

Meeting place :
Parkcity Everly Hotel Bintulu

Itinerary subject to change.



Keynote Speaker

Prof. Dr. Ahmet Mermut
Harran University, Turkey
Advisor to the Ministry of Food Agriculture
and Livestock, Ankara, TURKEY
President of ECSSS and EUROSOIL 2016
Pedologist



Plenary Speaker

Dr. JoungDu Shin
Principle Scientist
National Academy of Agriculture Science,
Rural Development, SOUTH KOREA
Waste Management, Agronomy
and Soil Science



Plenary Speaker

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Siva Kumar Balasundram
Faculty of Agriculture
Universiti Putra Malaysia, MALAYSIA
Precision Agriculture



Plenary Speaker

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Imran Haider Shamsi
Department of Agronomy,
College of Agriculture and Biotechnology,
Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, CHINA
Crop Science, Soil Chemistry and
Environmental Science

Final
Announcement

SOILS 2017

International Conference on Sustainable Soil Management

Quality Soil Drives Productivity

www.msss.com.my/soils2017

4 - 7 April 2017

Parkcity Everly Hotel Bintulu, Sarawak MALAYSIA

Background

The Malaysian Society of Soil Science (MSSS) and Universiti Putra Malaysia Bintulu Sarawak Campus (UPMKB) will jointly organize the International Conference on Sustainable Soil Management (SOILS 2017) at Bintulu, Sarawak MALAYSIA.

Soil is one of nature's most valuable resources and no doubt it provides vital and inevitable services including food production, conducive climate, biodiversity, water, nutrients, and waste management into perpetuity.

Continued understanding of the nature and properties of soil, with the primary aim of managing it responsibly, will guarantee its ever indisputable usefulness and services to mankind. Soil as any natural resource, is prone to mismanagement. Thus, multidisciplinary research in soil science and related fields is essential and cannot be over emphasized.

With this approach, useful knowledge on almost all aspects of sustaining soil and related ecosystems for posterity could be ensured. Therefore, the SOILS 2017 with the theme 'Quality Soil Drives Productivity' will provide a platform for academicians, researchers, industries, institutions, agencies, and organizations to have discussions on advances in responsible soil use and management.

Jointly organized by :



Malaysian Society of
Soil Science (MSSS)



Universiti Putra Malaysia
Bintulu Sarawak Campus (UPMKB)

With the support of :



Department of
Agriculture Sarawak (DOA)



Sarawak Conventional
Bureau (SCB)

Objectives

- To share knowledge on responsible soil use for sustainable crop production without degrading the quality of the environment.
- To share recent information on soils and appropriate technologies *vis a vis* sustainable crop production.
- To provide future direction for organized activities on soils.
- To promote interdisciplinary and inter-organization networking or collaboration towards achieving sustainable soil management and crop production.

Call for Papers

In conjunction with the **SOILS 2017** theme, papers of relevant topics within the conference theme are invited for oral/paper presentations. Authors are requested to submit an Extended Abstract not exceeding three (3) pages in English.

The Extended Abstract must include title, author(s), introduction, material and methods, results and discussion, conclusion, and references.

The Extended Abstract must be prepared on an A4-sized paper with 25 mm margins on all sides, with single spacing using Times New Roman (font size 12).

All illustrations must be inside the text of the Extended Abstract. Poster must be prepared on an A1-sized papers. All oral and poster presentations submitted are eligible for “Best Oral (Student only)” & “Best Poster” awards.

Topics/Scopes

- Soil Genesis and Classification
- Soil Physics and Conservation
- Soil Fertility and Nutrient Management
- Soil Health and Microbes
- Management of Plantation Soils
- Management of Peat and other Wetland Soils
- Biofertilizer and Biochar Utilization for Land Improvement

Registration Fees

- MSSS Member RM800.00 (USD250)
- Non-MSSS Member RM900.00 (USD300)
- Student* RM550.00 (USD180)

* Please attach a verification letter from the supervisor together with the registration form.

The registration fee includes a conference bag, proceedings, lunch, refreshments, and a conference dinner.

Exhibition

We would like to invite universities, research institutions and fertilizer industries to showcase their latest products and technology related to soil management, laboratory instruments, research facilities and scientific equipment.

Please contact the secretariat **Dr. Noorasmah Saupi** (noorasmah@upm.edu.my) for incurred charges and space allocation.

Organizing Committee

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Please send via mail, e-mail or fax a copy of this form and **Extended Abstract** to :

The Secretariat
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Payment Methods

Registration is not considered unless the payment has been received. Cancellation and refund will not be accepted after the registration. Payment should be made to the following bank account details:

International Conference on Sustainable Soil Management (SOILS 2017)	
Account Holder	Malaysian Society of Soil Science
Bank	Maybank Malaysia
Bank Account Number	014057303489
Bank Address	Lot 1.01, Ampang Park Shopping Complex, Jalan Ampang, 50450 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Branch Code	MBBEMYKL
Swift Code	14057

Local Participants

Payment should be in the form of a Crossed Cheque /Money Order/Postal Order/Bank Draft/Cash/Card Credit payable to the **Malaysian Society of Soil Science**. Payment via other means may be discussed with the organizer.

International Participants

Payment in USD should be made via Telegraphic Transfer (TT). Please take note on the following details for the payments:

- The payment should be made in Ringgit Malaysia and USD only. All payments made need to be accompanied by proof of payment (i.e. bank-in slip / copy of payment receipt) and email to the Secretariat at icssm2017@upm.edu.my
- For participants who make bank transfer payment, kindly send us the digital copy of your payment slip for our record by email us at icssm2017@upm.edu.my
- Payments via credit card are subjected to 6% GST surcharge (Goods and Service Tax)
- Payments via telegraphic transfers (TT) may be subjected to other fees depending on the bank. Please check with your bank.

Registration Fee Waivers

Registration fee waivers are available for **twelve (12)** early career researchers and **twelve (12)** students who submit their extended abstracts and registration forms before **15 February 2017**.

Early career researchers must be aged not more than 35 years old at the deadline; and students must provide proof of student status.

The waivers will be awarded to participants with the above-mentioned criteria based on their extended abstract quality determined by the technical committee members at their discretion.

Successful participants fee waivers will be announced on the website and by e-mail. Registration fee will be disbursed to successful participants at the registration desk on the first day of conference.

Registration Form

Full Name : (Prof./Assoc. Prof./Dr./Mr./Mrs.)

Occupation :

Organization :

Mailing Address :

Contact Number : (HP)
 (O)

E-Mail :

- ☐ I wish to attend the conference
- ☐ I wish to present a paper(s)
- ☐ I wish to present a poster(s)
- ☐ I wish to attend the conference dinner
- ☐ I wish to participate in the post conference tour

Title of paper/poster :

Signature :

Date :