



CALL FOR AFRO ORGANIC FAIR EXHIBITORS

DURING THE
5TH AFRICAN ORGANIC CONFERENCE
DATES: 12TH TO 15TH DECEMBER, 2023
VENUE: KIGALI, RWANDA.

About the conference

The African Organic Network (AfrONet), an umbrella body of organic agriculture actors in Africa representing the National and Regional Organic Agriculture Movements (NOAMs/ROAMs) is organizing the 5th African Organic Conference (AOC) in Kigali, Rwanda for four (4) days from December 12 - 15, 2023 in collaboration with the organic agriculture actors in Africa, the African Union Commission and other strategic organizations outside Africa. The event shall be concluded with the General Assembly of the Network.

The AOC is held every 3 years. The 4th AOC was held in November 2018 at Saly, Senegal. The 3rd AOC was held in Lagos, Nigeria in October 2015. The 2nd AOC was in Lusaka, Zambia in May 2012 while the 1st AOC was held in Kampala, Uganda in 2009. The 5th AOC (5AOC) which was scheduled to be held in Marrakesh, Morocco in November 2021, could not be convened due to circumstances beyond our control. Enforcing the resolution of the 4th AOC, the Board of AfrONet gave Rwanda Organic Agriculture Movement (ROAM), as a run-up to FIMABio of Morocco to host the 5th AOC. At an Extraordinary virtual General Assembly of AfrONet members in March 2023, the 5th AOC was rescheduled to hold in Kigali, Rwanda from 28 November – 1 December, 2023. Rwanda Organic Agriculture Movement shall be hosting the event in Rwanda on behalf of the AfrONet in both physical and virtual modes.

The theme of the conference is “Strengthening Resilient and Sustainable Food Systems in Africa through Organic Agriculture.”

The first two days of the conference shall constitute information exchange through presentations covering various topics. These will be presented in the Policy, Farmers’, Value Chain and Marketing, and Research Tracks. The third day will be dedicated to field visits to renowned organic farms, value addition, marketing, and other facilities, as well as side meetings. The fourth day will be reserved for the AfrONet General Assembly.



Objectives of the Conference

- i. To bring together organic stakeholders to a conference to discuss organic agriculture developments, progress, and challenges encountered in Africa since the last AOC held in Sally, Senegal.
- ii. To share information about the benefits of organic agriculture and its contribution to the economies, human health, soil health, climate change mitigation, adaptation, and resilience building.
- iii. To strategize mechanisms for awareness creation and dissemination of Organic agriculture benefits and facts to stakeholders and communities across Africa.
- iv. To highlight salient issues for strategizing actions for the development of organic agriculture for the next three years.
- v. To influence research and extension, financing opportunities, policy, and institutionalization of Organic Agriculture through relevant organizations across the continent including the African Union Commission, UNFAO, development partners, regional bodies, national governments, and the private sector, etc.
- vi. To enhance understanding of the role of Agroecology in Ecological and Organic Agriculture.
- vii. To support harmonization of approaches and promote intra-Africa collaborations and trade.



Conference Tracks and Leading Organizations

The conference is made up of the following Tracks with lead organizations that shall anchor activities of each Track of the conference representing the multi-stakeholder platform of organic agriculture in Africa:

- **Farmers** - Inter-Continental Network of Organic Farmer Organisations (**INOFO - Africa**)
- **Research**- Network of Organic Agriculture Researchers in Africa (**NOARA**)
- **Trade/Exhibition (Afro Organic Fair)**- Kenyan Organic Agriculture Network (**KOAN**)
- **Policy** – African Union Commission- Continental Secretariat of Ecological Organic Agriculture (**EOA**) Initiative.

Join the Afro Organic Fair in Rwanda: Calling All Organic Agriculture Enthusiasts!

The Kenya Organic Agriculture Network (KOAN) invites enthusiastic traders to participate in Rwanda at the Afro Organic Fair. This event offers a unique platform for all stakeholders in the organic agriculture value chain to connect, collaborate, and explore market linkage opportunities.



Who Can Participate as an Exhibitor?

We welcome a diverse range of participants across the organic agriculture spectrum, including:

- Organic Farmers or Producers
- Organic Input Suppliers e.g. Organic seeds, fungicides, pesticides, equipment, fertilizers,
- Organic Traders
- Organic Retailers
- Organic Processors
- Exporters of Organic Products
- Service Providers like certification companies and extension workers
- Training institutions
- Innovative technology providers e.g. Solar Driers
- Researchers in agroecology and organic agriculture
- Financial Services e.g. credit facilities, seed capital, incubation hubs,
- Marketing and Logistics e.g. Cold-chain transport providers, App and Website Developers,



Guidelines for Exhibitors

We welcome a diverse range of participants across the organic agriculture spectrum, including:

- Each exhibitor will receive a designated table and 2 seats.
- Exhibition setup begins on 11th December 2023.
- Exhibitors must dismantle their displays by 15th December 2023.
- Exhibitors should bring sample products for sale and sampling, along with exhibition materials and banners.
- Power sockets will be provided for exhibitors conducting presentations.
- Additional charges apply for the 2nd exhibitor manning the booth.
- Exhibitions will run throughout the conference.
- Exhibitors are responsible for their booth décor.
- Booth signage will be provided for each stand.



REGISTRATION

All interested exhibitors are required to submit their details using the link attached to secure a booth.

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CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION FEES

Early bird Registration (15th October 2023)

Event	Virtual (USD)	Physical (USD)	Virtual (Rwandan franc)	Physical (Rwandan franc)
	INTERNATIONAL		NATIONAL	
Individual participants (with certification of participation)	90	225	106,785.00	266,962.50
Students (Masters and below with valid evidence)	18	90	21,357.00	106,785.00
Exhibition	180	270	237,300.00	320,355.00
Side events/ day (organizations or groups)	450	900	N / A	N / A



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Early bird Registration (15th October 2023)

Event	Virtual (USD)	Physical (USD)	Virtual (Rwandan franc)	Physical (Rwandan franc)
	INTERNATIONAL		NATIONAL	
Individual participants (with certification of participation)	100	250	118,650.00	296,625.00
Students (Masters and below with valid evidence)	20	100	23730.00	118,650.00
Exhibition	200	300	237,300.00	355,950.00
Side events/ day (organizations or groups)	500	1,000	NA	NA

PAYMENT DETAILS

Account Name: **AFRICAN ORGANIC NETWORK**

IBAN: **02804900020**

Bank Name: **BANK OF AFRICA – TANZANIA**

Account Type: **EUR**

Bank Code: **EUAFTZTZ**



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Register Link: To register fill in your details in the link provided below

<https://forms.gle/vJcKwe2ryU9B5wRJ6>

Important Dates: Deadline for Registration: 31st October 2023

Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to showcase your organic products, services, and innovations. Let's together create a sustainable, organic future! For registration and inquiries, contact us via info@koan.co.ke. See you at the Afro Organic Fair!



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