



## 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Agriculture and Forestry - 2017

“Current Challenges and Future Perspectives of Agriculture”

24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 | Colombo, Sri Lanka

4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Agriculture and Forestry was successfully held with more than 50 participants on 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 in Colombo, Sri Lanka. ICOAF 2017 provided a solid platform for researchers and policy makers from across the globe to share their research findings with one another and to discuss the policy implications. The conference provided a refreshing experience for all, especially for the young researchers who had the opportunity to share their research findings on an international platform and to gain a better understanding about how other individuals and organizations are meeting the challenges in Agriculture and Forestry.

The conference was enlightened by international researchers representing following Nations.

- India
- Sri Lanka
- Malaysia
- China
- UAE
- Indonesia
- Philippines
- Taiwan
- Nigeria

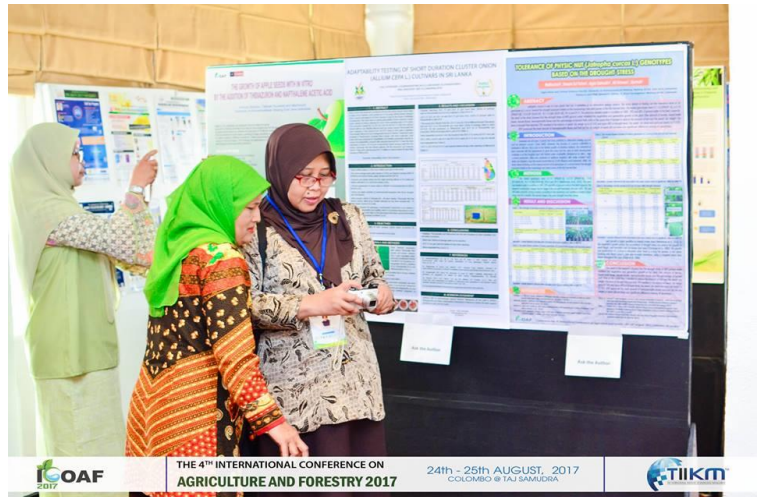
ICOAF 2017 was held under the theme “Current Challenges and Future Perspectives of Agriculture”, and was chaired by Dr. Samih Abubaker (*Al-Balqa` Applied University, Jordan*). The opening remarks of ICOAF 2018 were made by Conference Chair Dr. Samih Abubaker (*Al-Balqa` Applied University, Jordan*) and Mr. Isanka P. Gamage (Managing Director, The International Institute of Knowledge Management). The Chief Guest speech was delivered by Mr. B. Wijayaratne, Secretary Ministry of Agriculture, Sri Lanka.

The highlight of the inauguration of ICOAF 2017 was the keynote address by **Dr. Nafees Meah** (*International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Sri Lanka*) on “**Scientific Research as a Strategy for Achieving Sustainability in Developing Countries**” and University, USA) and Dr. Samih Abubaker (*Al-Balqa` Applied University, Jordan*)

The conference consisted of 13 technical sessions, during which researchers from around the world presented their research findings. The technical sessions were:

- Pest Management/Plant Health
- Animal Health and Animal Production

- Biotechnology and Genetics
- Environment and Biodiversity
- Biotechnology and Genetics
- Farming System Management
- Post Harvest Technology and Marketing
- Farming System Management
- Sustainable Agri and Natural Resources
- Food Security and Food Safety
- Food Production and Management
- Forestry, Seed and Water Management
- Poster Session





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