




## EAST AFRICAN ORGANIC POLICY FORUM AGENDA

Time	Activities	Details	Responsible
<b>Day 1 (1<sup>st</sup> June 2017)</b>			
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Participants arrive	Registration	Registration staff
9:00 AM – 9:05 AM	Welcome remark		John Abaho
9:05 AM – 9:15 AM	Introduction of participants		Moses Aisu
9:15 AM – 9:50 AM	Structure of the Conference	Structure and expected results of the conference	AfrONet President
	Ongoing initiatives in the region.	OA perspective and the relevance to the global, continental, regional and national agenda	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. OTEA -Barbara Zilly</li> <li>2. OSOSEA- Michael Clements</li> <li>3. EOA Eastern Africa-Prof. Charles Ssekyewa</li> </ol>
9:50 AM- 10:00 AM	Why Organic Agriculture?		Dr. Henrique Pacini
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	EOA	Updates: Decision of the African heads of state on organic farming, EOA strategic and action plan	Dr. David Amudavi
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Official Opening		Guest of honour: Director of Productive Sectors, East African Community
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Break ☕	Group photo, coffee, tea & bites	Photographer
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	Opportunities and Challenges	Presentation on the East African Organic Policy Report	Nadia Lampkin and John Abaho
11:20 AM – 11:35 AM	Trade Policy Gaps and Enhancing Cross Border Trade		Prof. Joseph Hella
11:35 AM – 12:15 AM	OA Policy Status	National presentations on OA supportive policy, strategy and program development.	Kenya Tanzania Uganda Rwanda Burundi

12:15 AM – 1:00 PM	Q &A	Q & A panel	Facilitator
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch 		
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Panel discussion	Part A - Reflection from the food and catering sector:	Mr. Charles Tumaini Marijani, Tanga Fresh Ltd
	Roundtable: Linkages between tourism and organic agriculture	Food and catering industries on the demand for organic produce and areas for development	Mr. Balasheab Gavane, Darsh Industries
	Panel and Roundtable discussion	Part B - reflection from the hospitality sector:  The hospitality industry on the demand for organic produce and challenge in obtaining reliable supply.	Mr. Joseph Sendwa, Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism, Tanzania  Prof. Neema Sabulaki, National College of Tourism, Tanzania  Ms. Nura Karamagi, Hotel Association of Tanzania (HAT)
3:30 PM – 4:15 PM	Q & A		Facilitator
4:15 PM- 4:30 PM	Global Organic Policy Perspectives	Presentation on Global Policy Toolkit	IFOAM-Organics International Barbara Zilly
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Wrap up	Summary of critical issues and a preview of day 2	John Abaho and Stephen Boustred

Time	Activities	Details	Responsible
<b>Day 2 (2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017)</b>			
8:30 am – 9:00 AM	Participants arrive	Registration	Registration staff
9:00 AM - 9:10 AM	Opening	Recapping day 1 and overview for day 2	Musa K. Muwanga
9:10 AM – 10:00 AM	OA operators	Cases (successes /limitations) from organic operators on their experience with OA.	5 operators
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Research and academia	Organic policy research at tertiary level and perspectives from ProEco Africa –Kenya	Dr. Anne Muriuki
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Q & A		
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Break 		
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Group work	<p>Opportunities, obstacles and actions;</p> <p>Discussion on policy opportunities, barriers and way forward in the four groups</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Policy, programmes and strategies/ projects</li> <li>2. Trade and consumption, market development</li> <li>3. Production and extension</li> <li>4. Research and Training</li> </ol>	Facilitator
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Group presentations	Action plan template and way forward.	
1:00 PM– 2:00 PM	Lunch 		
2:00 PM - 2:45 PM	Closing panel	Closing remarks by national level policy makers, AfrONet President, Development partners, EAC, EOA/ AUC	<p>AfrONet</p> <p>UNCTAD, TRAC, IFOAM</p> <p>Policy makers: Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda, and Burundi</p> <p>EAC</p> <p>AUC</p>
2:45 PM	The End		Moderator