



## Call for Papers



***4<sup>th</sup> AFRICAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE  
ON IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE  
(ARCID)***

**“Agricultural Land and Water Management for  
Sustainability under Climate Variability”**

**Organized by  
The Egyptian National Committee for  
Irrigation and Drainage (ENCID)**

***Egypt  
April 26-28, 2016***

## **Invitation by the Chairman of ENCID**

In accordance with the approval of ICID, and on behalf of the Egyptian National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (ENCID), I have the pleasure to invite all interested participants to take part in the 4<sup>th</sup> African Regional Conference on Irrigation and Drainage (ARCID). The conference shall be hosted by ENCID in Egypt during the period April 26 – 28, 2016, including three days technical sessions, exhibition and book fair, an exciting program for accompanying persons, and a one-day post-conference study tour under the main theme "**Agricultural Land and Water Management for Sustainability under Climate Variability.**"



Egypt, being the cradle of all civilizations, has been selected to be the venue of the conference due to its mix of Pharaonic, Greco-Roman, Coptic and Islamic heritage that provided us with our present-day culture and integrity. Our experience in facing many challenges offers a diversity of opportunities which lend themselves easily to the theme of the conference, with high expectations to render the event an outstanding, innovative, prominent and unique one.

I am confident that, with your participation by presenting research work and new ideas on applied solutions for land and water management under uncertainty of climate change, our future will be brighter than our recent past.

I look forward to welcoming you in Egypt, ensuring that we will do our best to make your stay as enjoyable and memorable as it could be.

**Prof. Dr. Mohamed Hassan Amer**

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**Chairman, ENCID**

## MAIN THEME

### *Agricultural land and Water Management for Sustainability under Climate Variability*

#### *Topics/ Subtopics*

##### **1. Water Use Management**

- 1.1 New technologies in agricultural, irrigation and drainage on-farm practices.
- 1.2 On-farm issues related to use of non-conventional water resources.
- 1.3 On-farm water storages under climate variability.
- 1.4 Drip irrigation for small farms.

##### **2. Food Security**

- 2.1 Improving on-farm agricultural water productivity.
- 2.2 On-farm environmental challenges under food and water scarcity coupled with energy.
- 2.3 Role of women on farm management.
- 2.4 Water ethics relevant to farm management.

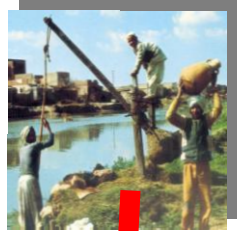
##### **3. Research extension services and capacity development**

- 3.1 Taking water management research to the farm, bridging the last mile.
- 3.2 Role of extension services: making agricultural water and climate information available at the farm level.
- 3.3 challenges and constraints facing extension services in Africa.
- 3.4 Training and capacity building for needs improvement in on-farm water management in Africa.

In addition to the technical sessions, where the themes and topics will be discussed during the conference, three keynote speeches will also be organized. Participants are invited to submit papers on any of the conference topics/subtopics.

#### **Keynote speeches**

- a. Farm and science interface under climate change.
- b. Improving agricultural water management in Africa.
- c. Water-Food-Energy nexus challenges at the farm level.



## Submission of Abstracts

Selection will be based on the relevance of the paper content to the conference theme and topics. An electronic copy of the abstract in MS Word format (.docx) (no more than one page in both English and French languages) is to be submitted to the conference email address [encid@link.com.eg](mailto:encid@link.com.eg) or [arcid@encid.org.eg](mailto:arcid@encid.org.eg) according to the following guidelines:

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| <b>Languages</b>              | <i>English and French (one page for both languages)</i>   |
| <b>Paper Size</b>             | <i>A4 (210 x 297 mm or 8.27 x 11.69 inches)</i>   |
| <b>Page Margins:</b>          | <i>Right: 35.0 mm      1.38 in<br/>Left: 35.0 mm      1.38 in<br/>Top: 38.1 mm      1.50 in<br/>Bottom: 38.1 mm 1.50 in</i>   |
| <b>Font</b>                   | <i>Times New Roman</i>  |
| <b>Line spacing</b>           | <i>Single space</i>   |
| <b>Title format:</b>          | <i>Bold, 12 points centered, all uppercase. The title should reflect the content of the research work described in the paper. It should be as short as possible (no more than 12 words) and include essential key words. Leave two blank lines between the title and the author(s).</i>         |
| <b>Author(s) format:</b>      | <i>Bold, Mixed upper and lowercase, 10 points centered. The name(s) of the author(s) should be listed first name then last name; include affiliation (title, position, organization and country) of each author as numbered footnotes. Leave two blank spaces before beginning of the text.</i> |
| <b>Affiliation(s) format:</b> | <i>Mixed upper and lowercase, Italic, 10 points left alignment. Affiliation should appear in the footnote, with full contact(phones, fax and e-mail of <u>only</u> the corresponding author who will give the presentation).</i>  |
| <b>Text of abstract</b>       | <i>The title "ABSTRACT"(10 points)should appear in the center, the abstract full text should appear in 10 points Times Roman, single- spaced, justified ("Text" Format), no more than one A4 page.</i>  |

### Note:

- *The submission of an abstract indicates the obligation that the paper will actually be presented at the conference (oral or poster presentation) by one of the authors.*
- *Authors will be advised on the format of the full-length papers upon acceptance of the abstracts.*

## **Important Deadlines**

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| Submission of Abstracts .....                   | 15 August 2015  |
| Notification of abstract acceptance .....       | 15 October 2015 |
| Submission of full text of accepted papers..... | 15 January 2016 |

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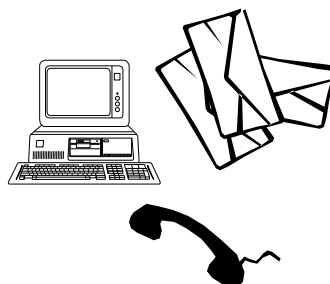
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## **Paper Submission Form**

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| Please assign your contribution to one or more of the following three conference topics:<br>(Mark your choice with “x”)      |  |                                     |
| <b>Topic 1:</b><br><b>Subtopic:</b>  | Water Use Management                                   |                                     |
| <b>Topic 2:</b><br><b>Subtopic.:</b>   | Food security  |                                     |
| <b>Topic 3:</b><br><b>Subtopic:</b>  | Research , extension services and capacity development |                                     |
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