

## **AGENDA FOR THE 9<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN AND EASTERN AFRICAN COTTON FORUM (SEACF)**

**VENUE:** Peacock Hotel, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania  
**DATE:** 7 April 2008  
**TIME:** 08h30 for 09h00  
**REGISTRATION:** 08h00 -09h00

1. Opening : Dr J. Kabissa – Tanzanian Cotton Lint & Seed Board
2. Welcome : Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture
3. Opening Address : World Cotton Production Trends - Dr. R. Chaudhry, ICAC
4. Chairman's address : Dr. Graham Thompson – Chairman, SEACF
5. Acknowledgements
6. Apologies
7. Additions to Agenda
8. Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of 7 March 2006, Rustenburg, South Africa
9. Matters arising from minutes
  - 9.1. Regional germplasm database and exchange programme
  - 9.2. Funding for SEACF secretariat and meetings
  - 9.3. SEACF newsletter
  - 9.4. Nematode survey
  - 9.5. Database of scientists in SEACF region
10. Invited Papers (20 min each including discussion)
  - 10.1. SADC Cotton Disease Project - Ms. J. Terblanche, ARC-IIC, South Africa
  - 10.2. Cotton Cultivars for Africa - Mr. D. Olivier, Monsanto- Delta Pine
11. Reports from the different countries on cotton production, research, training and marketing (20 min/country including discussion)
  - 11.1. Ethiopia
  - 11.2. Namibia
  - 11.3. South Africa
  - 11.4. Sudan
  - 11.5. Tanzania
  - 11.6. Uganda
  - 11.7. Zambia
  - 11.8. Zimbabwe
12. New matters

- 12.1. Election of chairman
- 12.2. Election of secretary
- 12.3. Election of country representatives

13. General

14. Next meeting

15. Closure

**ORGANIC COTTON PRODUCTION WORKSHOP**  
**8 APRIL 2008**  
**Dar es Salaam, Tanzania**

<b>8h30</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>9h00</b>	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	
<b>09h00</b>	<b>:</b>		<b>OPENING</b>	<b>Programme Director: Dr GJ Thompson</b>
9h00	:	9h15	Welcome and brief introduction of participants	Dr Joe Kabissa
09h15	:	09h20	Workshop Overview	Dr Graham Thompson (SEACF)
09h20	:	09h40	Organic Cotton Market Overview, and Overview of Organic Cotton Projects in Africa	Silvere Tovignan, Organic Exchange: Africa Farm Development Coordinator
09h40	:	10h10	Organic Cotton Certification	Phil Monday; Organic Exchange, Organic Agronomist
10h10	:	10h40	Nutrient Feeding of Organic Cotton	Kelvin Munsanje, Kasisi Agricultural Training Centre, Zambia
10h40	:	11h00	<i>Break (Tea)</i>	
11h00	:	11h15	Organic cotton production in Tanzania	Niranjan Pattni, bioRE, Tanzania
11h15	:	11h30	Organic cotton production in Uganda	D. Lubwama. Cotton Development Organization, Uganda
11h30	:	11h45	Organic cotton production by small-scale farmers in Zambia	Kelvin Munsanje, Kasisi Agricultural Training Centre, Zambia
11h45	:	12h00	Organic cotton supply chain	Barry Fisher, Arican Cotton, Kenya
<b>12h00</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>12h45</b>	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b>	<b>Facilitators: Phil Monday, Silvere Tovignon, Segune, Kelvin Munsanje , bioRE</b>
<b>12h45</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>13h45</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	

<b>13h45</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>14h45</b>	<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>Facilitator: Dr J. Kabissa</b>
			<b>POSITION</b>	
			<b>REPORTS</b>	
13h45	:	14h00	South Africa	Tilla Pretorius
14h00	:	14h10	Sudan	
14h10	:	14h20	Ethiopia	Abraham G. Hiwet
14h20	:	14h30	Zimbabwe	
14h30	:	14h40	Namibia	
14h40	:	14h50		
14h50	:	15h00		
15h00	:	15h15	Break (Tea)	
<b>15h15</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>16h15</b>	<b>GROUP</b>	<b>Facilitator: Silvere Tovignan</b>
			<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharing the research results and extension tools emerging from the Organic Cotton Research Projects</li> <li>• Exchange of experience among the stakeholders related to implementing organic cotton projects.</li> <li>• Discussion of topics relevant for scaling up (training and extension, marketing of rotation crops etc.)</li> <li>• Planning of joint future steps to foster the development of the organic cotton sector in the region</li> </ul>	
<b>16h15</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>17h00</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b>	<b>Facilitator: Dr G. Thompson</b>
			<b>CONCLUSION</b>	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary and Conclusions</li> <li>• Way forward</li> <li>• Topics for next workshop</li> <li>• Closure</li> </ul>	