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5-7 July 2017

Konya, Turkey

Ramada Plaza Konya

Program

5 July 2017 - Wednesday		
08:00 – 09:00	Registration of participants	
09:00 – 09:40	Opening Session - Ms. Birim Mor, Master of Ceremony Official Preliminaries by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seyfettin Baydar, Director, Konya Provincial Directorate of the MFAL • Ms. Yuriko Shoji, FAO Sub-regional Coordinator • Mr. Hasan Özlü, Deputy Undersecretary of MFAL • Mr. Yakup Canpolat, Governor of Konya 	
Session 1: Lessons learned – Climate Change and Conservation Agriculture Chairs: Hafiz Muminjanov and Mehmet Öztiryaki		
09:40 – 10:10	Key Note Speech Global Adoption and Promotion of CA: Challenges and Perspectives	Professor Amir Kassam, UK
10:10 – 10:35	Global Warming and Drought	Professor Levent Saylan, Turkey
10:35 – 11:00	CA for Drylands and CWANA: Yes It Works	Professor Emilio Gonzalez, Spain
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee-break	
11:30 – 11:50	CA in Brazil: Success Story	Mr. Luiz Henrique, Brazil
11:50 – 12:10	A Farmer's Perspective on Sustainable Agriculture: Fifteen Years of Conservation Agriculture on a Farm in Lincolnshire, UK	Mr. Tony Reynolds, UK
12:10 – 12:30	Status of CA in Turkey: Challenges and Perspectives	Dr. İrfan Gültekin and Dr. Harun Çiçek, Turkey
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch break	



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Session 2: Research and Development for Conservation Agriculture		
<i>Chairs: Harun Cicek and Abduhakim Islamov</i>		
13:30 – 13:50	The role of CA in Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation: the contribution of CA to the Paris Agreement	<i>Mr. Antonio Holgado, Spain</i>
13:50 – 14:10	What can we learn from success of Kazakhstan on promotion of CA?	<i>Dr. Kanat Akshalov, Kazakhstan</i>
14:10 – 14:30	Status of conservation agriculture in Uzbekistan	<i>Dr. Aziz Nurbekov, Uzbekistan</i>
14:30 – 14:50	Adoption and promotion of CA in Iran	<i>Dr. M. E. Asadi, Iran</i>
14:50 – 15:20	Coffee-break	
15:20 – 15:40	CA under extreme conditions in Syria	<i>Mr. Atef Haddad, Syria</i>
15:40 – 16:00	CA researches in High Plains of Anatolia	<i>Dr. Ahmet Çelik, Turkey</i>
16:00 – 16:20	CA consultancy services in Tajikistan	<i>Mr. Shavkat Juraev, Tajikistan</i>
16:20 – 16:40	CA Research and Development in Morocco	<i>Mr. Oussama Gharras</i>
16:40 – 17:00	Assessment of agricultural soil moisture against drought	<i>Professor Günay Erpul, Turkey</i>
17:00 – 17:20	Drought and Agricultural Insurance in Turkey	<i>Mr. Bekir Engürülü, Turkey</i>
17:20 – 18:00	Questions and answers. Closure of the day 1	
19:00	Dinner	
6 July 2017 - Thursday		
Session 3: Farmers' experience on adoption and promotion of CA		
08:30 – 10:30	Panel Discussion – Facilitators E. Gonzalez and Bilal Kale Panel Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Aziz Zine El Abidine – Morocco • Mr. Recep Erun – Turkey • Mr. Hatem Cheikh Mohammad – Tunisia • Mr. Bahriddin Solehov – Tajikistan • Mr. Fatih Karça – Turkey • Mr. Tasin Izzatov – Kyrgyzstan 	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee-break	
11:00 – 12:00	Parallel Working Groups	
WG (Zone 1)	Low altitude dry semi-arid zones (<300-450 mm precipitation)	Chair: <i>Prof. Levent Saylan</i> Rapporteur: Antonio Holgado



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WG 2 (Zone 2)	Low altitude moist semi-arid zones (> 450 mm precipitation)	Chair: Hatem Cheikh Mohammad, Tunisia Rapporteur: Omer Faruk Noyan
WG 3 (Zone 3)	High altitude* dry semi-arid zones (< 300-450 mm precipitation)	Chair: Ahmet Çelik Rapporteurs: İrfan Gültekin
WG 4 (Zone4)	High altitude moist semi-arid zones (>450 mm precipitation)	Chair: Dr. M. E. Asadi Rapporteur: Sami Suzer
WG 5 (Drought Management)	Agricultural Drought Strategy	Chair: Prof. Günay ERPUL Rapporteur: Mehmet Ünal
<i>Note:</i> *Low altitude - <1000 m; High altitude - >1000 m		
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 15:00	Presentations and Roundtable Discussion	
15:00 -15:30	Coffee-break	
Session 4: Formulation of CA Development Strategy <i>Chairs: Aziz Nurbekov and N. Cem Aktuz</i>		
15:30 - 15:50	Conservation agriculture in North Africa: main results, status and opportunities	<i>Ms. Sarra Baccouri, FAO Tunisia</i>
15:50 - 16:10	Farmer's perceptions and government support for CA in Morocco	<i>Mr. Mohammad Boughlala, Morocco</i>
16:10 - 16:20	Presentation of Turkish Association on CA (TACA)	<i>Ms. Mahpeyker Feryal Karça, Turkey</i>
16:20 - 17:00	National Strategy for Promotion of CA in Turkey	<i>Dr. Harun Çiçek, Turkey</i>
17:00 - 18:00	Discussion of the draft National Strategy – Facilitator <i>Dr. Harun Çiçek</i>	
18:00 18:20	Closure of day 2	
7 July 2017, Friday		
Session 5: Field Day and Training on CA practice and machinery aspects		
07:30	Departure from hotel to the field	
09:00 – 12:30	Parallel Sessions	
	Visiting CA demonstration plots and farmers' fields	<i>Mr. Fatih Bozdemir and Mr. Antonio Holgado</i>
	Training on CA machinery	<i>Mr Jacky Desbiolle and Mr. İrfan Gultekin</i>
12:30 – 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 – 16:00	Return to the hotel	
16:00 – 17:00	Wrap-up and closure. Granting certificates	