



1st PAKISTAN SEED CONGRESS

Main Theme “Seeds For Food Security”

December 08-10, 2015

Venue: University of Agriculture, Faisalabad



Pakistan Seed Academy (PAKSA) is an initiative of the University of Agriculture Faisalabad and Federal Seed Certification and Registration Department, joined by Seed Association of Pakistan, Crop Life Pakistan and Farmers Associates of Pakistan. The purpose of PAKSA is to invigorate public private partnership in seed innovations. This forum is organizing “1st Pakistan Seed Congress” on December 8-10, 2015 at Faisalabad in which national and international seed organizations are invited. The theme of congress is “Seeds for Food Security” which provides possible solutions to the seed business people and farming community to deal with the challenges of climate change and food security. An exhibition to showcase seeds and seed conditioning, warehousing and storage related equipments would be displayed during congress days. This congress is hosted by University of Agriculture Faisalabad, a world reckoned institution in agricultural sciences. Pakistan Seed Congress will provide a platform for the seed industry to interact strongly with technology developers, academia, government officials and policy makers.

PAKSA is extremely proud to invite you to the 1st Pakistan Seed Congress at UAF on December 8-10, 2015. This will be a mega seed event in which all the key stakeholders that include public and private seed sectors, policy makers, scientists and farming community will participate actively. The leading seed experts of the world will share their expertise during this congress.

WHO CAN REGISTER AS A PARTICIPANT?

Participation in Pakistan Seed Congress is not open to everyone. You can register if you are involved in seed business and research activities. Only limited students are allowed to attend this event.



REGISTRATION FEE BEFORE NOVEMBER 25 AFTER DUE DATE WITH PAKSA MEMBERSHIP

Private sector	PKR 3000	PKR 4000	PKR 2000
Public sector	PKR 2000	PKR 3000	PKR 1500
PhD Students	PKR 1000	PKR 2000	
Foreign delegates	US\$ 100	US\$ 200	-----

This registration fee will cover two lunches, three dinners, four hi-teas and social gathering.

WHO CAN REGISTER AS AN EXHIBITOR?

National and international seed organizations are highly encouraged to showcase their products and technologies. The number of exhibit booths is limited and allocation of space will be done on a first-come, first served basis. However, organizing committee will be responsible for the approval of submissions. The cost of each stall having dimension of 3x3 m2 would be PKR 10,000. The last date to book a stall in the exhibition is November 25, 2015.

POSTER COMPETITION

People from public and private sectors including graduate students are highly encouraged to participate in poster competition. The winners will be awarded with prizes in the concluding ceremony of congress.

AWARDS

During this seed congress, applications will be invited from seed companies and awards will be announced for the seed companies on the basis of their performance. The executive committee of PAKSA will scrutinize the applications.

SPONSORS

Five categories of sponsorships are announced i.e.

Platinum (PKR 300,000) = Front Two stalls, Logo on main banners, Free registration for three persons, Life time membership PAKSA, opening session speech, Platinum sponsorship award in opening ceremony

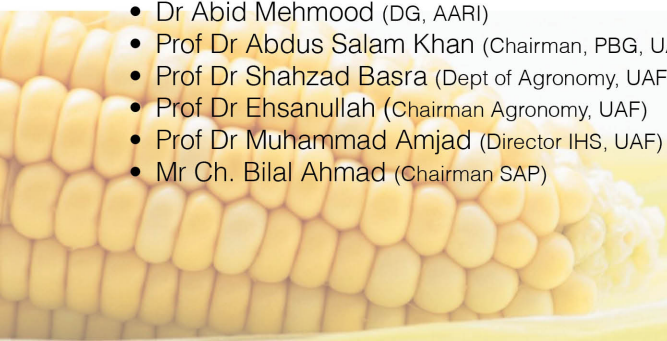
Gold (PKR 200,000) = One stall, banner display, Free registration for two persons, Life time membership PAKSA, Gold sponsorship award in closing ceremony

Silver (PKR100,000) = One stall, banner display, Free registration for one person, Silver sponsorship award in closing ceremony

Bronz (PKR 50,000) = Free registration for one person, Silver sponsorship award in closing ceremony

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- Prof Dr Iqrar A Khan (Vice Chancellor, UAF)
- Prof Dr Muhammad Arshad (Dean, Faculty of Agri., UAF)
- Prof Dr Asif Ali (Director ORIC, UAF)
- Dr Shakeel Ahmad Khan (DG, FSC & RD)
- Dr Abid Mehmood (DG, AARI)
- Prof Dr Abdus Salam Khan (Chairman, PBG, UAF)
- Prof Dr Shahzad Basra (Dept of Agronomy, UAF)
- Prof Dr Ehsanullah (Chairman Agronomy, UAF)
- Prof Dr Muhammad Amjad (Director IHS, UAF)
- Mr Ch. Bilal Ahmad (Chairman SAP)
- Mr. Mudassir Afeef (Senior Vice Chairman SAP)
- Mr Rana Salman Mehmood Khan (VP-I PAKSA)
- Mr Muhammad Asim (Crop Life Pakistan/VP-II PAKSA)
- Mr Yasin Baig (Treasurer PAKSA)
- Dr Afzal Haider Rizvi, Farmers Associates of Pakistan
- Dr Zulfiqar Ali (PBG, UAF)
- Dr Rizwana Maqbool (PBG, UAF)
- Dr Muhammad Imran Khan (Agronomy, UAF)
- Dr Irfan Afzal (Agronomy, UAF/General Secretary PAKSA)



PROGRAM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 08, 2015

Arrival of guests and preparation of Exhibition

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 09, 2015

9.00-10.45	Opening Ceremony (Venue: New Senate Hall, UAF) Welcome address by Dr Shakeel Ahmed Khan , President PAKSA/DG, FSC & RD Address by Mr Ch. Bilal Ahmad , Chairman, Seed Association of Pakistan Address by Mr Tallal Hakim , Chairman Biotech, Crop Life Pakistan Address by Chief Guest (Mr Sikandar Hayat Boson , Federal Minister, MNFSR) Concluding remarks by Prof Dr Iqrar Ahmad Khan , Vice Chancellor, UAF Vote of thanks by Prof Dr Asif Ali , Director ORIC, UAF
10.45-11.15	Visit to Seed Expo at Exhibition Centre, UAF
11.15-11.45	Refreshment/Group Photo

11.45-13.45 Scientific Session 1: Seed industry and trade

INVITED SPEAKERS

- Dr Dennis Thompson, The University of Illinois, USA
- Dr Shakeel Ahmed Khan, DG, FSC & RD
- Mr Nadeem Mirza, MD Pioneer Seeds Pvt Ltd
- Mr Furqan Khan Babar, MD, Punjab Seed Corporation

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

13.45-14.30 Lunch

14.30-17.00 Scientific Session 2: Seed Policy and regulation

INVITED SPEAKERS

- Mr Saeed Iqbal, FSC & RD
- Mr Muhammad Asim, Monsanto Pakistan (Pvt) Ltd
- Mr Muhammad Ismail, IPO, Government of Pakistan
- Dr Khalid Zafar, Plant Protection Department, Government of Pakistan
- Dr Fawad, President/CEO of Minnesota Crop Improvement Association, USA

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

17.00	Tea break
17.30-18.15	Poster Viewing
18.15-21.00	Dinner & Social gathering

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2015

09.00-11.00 Scientific Session 3: Seed Biotechnology/Development and Production

INVITED SPEAKERS

- Dr Kulvinder Gill, Washington State University, Pullman, USA
- Dr Shahid Mansoor, Director NIBGE
- Dr Tariq Mahmood, PBI, University of Sydney, Australia
- Dr Abid Mehmood, DG, AARI

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

11.00-11.30 Tea Break and Poster viewing

INVITED SPEAKERS

- Dr Khalid Aziz, Rafhan Maize Products Pvt Ltd
- Dr Nacer Bellaloui, USDA-ARS, Crop Genetics Research Unit, USA
- Mr Mazullah Khan, AVRDC
- Dr Uma Sinniah Rani, Seed Centre, UPM, Malaysia
- Dr Ilham Uddin, FSC & RD

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

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- Mr Johan Van Asbrouck, Rhino Research Group, Thailand
- Dr Akhlaq Ahmed, Storage Grain Research Institute, Karachi
- Dr Sadar Uddin Siddiqui, NARC, Islamabad
- Dr Irfan Afzal, Seed Physiology Lab, UAF

16.00-16.30 Tea Break

16.30-17.00 Pakistan Seed Academy meeting

17.00-18.00 Closing Ceremony

Chief Guest: Dr Farukh Javed, Provincial Minister for Agriculture

19.00-21.00 Farewell Dinner and Interactions

Registration Form

Name

Position

Organization

Address

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Phone/Mobile

Fax

Signature with date

Please send the filled in form alongwith registration fee to:

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