CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 30th August 2020

Conference Brief

Addis Ababa will play host to the **19th African Fine Coffee Conference and Exhibition**. The event will be held from **Wednesday 17th to Friday 19th February 2021** at the Millennium Hall, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Call for Presentations

The *19th African Fine Coffee Conference & Exhibition Presentation Committee* calls for technical presentations on the main theme **"Specialty Coffees at Origin"** to be made during the Conference.

This year AFCA would like to invite all members to submit their abstracts in line with the theme. Key themes include:

i. *World Coffee Markets: Review of the Specialty Markets and exploring the specialty segments*
ii. *Innovations and emerging technology in the Coffee Markets*
iii. *Domestic Coffee consumptions*
iv. *Production and productivity at the Farm level*
v. *Climate Change and Mitigation strategies*
vi. *Emerging trends in the Coffee industry world-wide*
vii. *Economic viability models for coffee farming*

However, while we are seeking a variety of topics, we would also like to inform presenters we have raised the standards for the selective process, with key emphasis on coffee technical presentations. Company promotional presentations will not be accepted.

Presentations should be relevant, practical and offer solutions and information on emerging issues in the Coffee Industry. Country specific presentations will be accepted.
Please submit a brief (1) page summary / abstract of your preferred area of presentation by **30th August 2020** for evaluation by the *Technical Committee.*

Your abstract must include a signed copy of the submission guidelines below, to be considered valid.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

Contact information: Please, provide the following information about yourself: name; job title; company / organization; address; phone, cell phone, skype and e-mail contact.
Profile of presenters: Include a biography and brief teaching/speaking experience of all the presenters. These should not exceed 50 words in total for each individual and should be accompanied by a recent high resolution photograph.

- **Presentation Title:** The summary (abstract) should have a title**,** should state the target audience, the learning goals for the audience and the key points.

- **Audio visuals:** Available equipment is limited to LCD projector and sound output/speakers. Short videos are accepted subject to equipment capabilities.

- All presentations must be submitted in **Microsoft PowerPoint 1999 – 2010 version only.**
- All presentations must not last more than 15 minutes.

Please note that there are several obligations and deadlines regarding presentations. AFCA reserves the right to cancel presentations by those who prove unable to fulfil these obligations:

- The Presentation Committee does not always accept proposals as submitted. All presenters must adhere to at least one of the subthemes for it to be considered.

- Presentations should be about technical issues and NOT company promotions.

- In the event that the presentation committee wishes to make changes, presenters will be contacted, advised on the committee's wishes and given the opportunity to either participate or decline.

- The committee will offer discounts on the early bird registration fees to the selected presenters. However all presenters must register as **Full Conference Delegates** by 30th August 2020. Everyone participating in a presentation is responsible for completing and submitting his or her conference registration online.

- All presenters are responsible for their own hotel and travel arrangements and expenses. AFCA will not meet any of these costs.

- Selected presenters will be notified in writing by 30th September 2020.

- Complete presentations must be submitted electronically to AFCA not later than 20th January 2021. Presenters who do not meet the date will not be considered in the final presentation panels.

I hereby understand and agree to compile the Call for Speaker guidelines and information as outlined above to be considered to present at the *19th African Fine Coffee Conference & Exhibition*.
Send your complete presentation proposals to the AFCA Secretariat to the attention of the Executive Director at ed@africanfinecoffees.org and mary.mbabazi@africanfinecoffees.org by 30th August 2020

Signature: _____   Date: _____