



universities of agriculture and life sciences :
entrepreneurs for sustainable rural development

JUNE 27-29, 2011

INSTITUT POLYTECHNIQUE LASALLE BEAUVAIS
PARIS - FRANCE

The Conference will address the enhancement of the strategic role of Universities of Agriculture and Life Sciences as a driving force in sustainable rural development at the local level in areas worldwide, and in contributing to global initiatives.

Online registration is open! Register [here](#)

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GCHERA Conference and Side meetings update

1. Simultaneous translation facilities

Available from English to **Chinese, Russian and Spanish**, during the plenary sessions

2. Two new Key Note speakers - see full program below

Akin Adesina - Vice President for Policy & Partnerships, Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa, Kenya

Per Holten Andersen - Dean - Faculty of Life Sciences. University of Copenhagen, Denmark

3. Announcements

Sunday 26 June 2011

Follow up of the GCARD through CIPCAD 2:

Challenges and Innovative Processes for Capacity Strengthening in Agriculture for Development

Outline programme:

9:30 – 12:30: African capacity building programme for food security and sustainable agricultural development

16:00 – 18:30: Review of progress post GCARD Capacity Building Montpellier Action Plan : sharing actions and projects

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Monday 27 June 2011

Ongoing

Conference International Forum

Monday 27 to Wednesday 29 (lunch time),
in the Conference main venue (see picture).

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Side meetings

GCHERA Executive Committee Meeting - June 26 at 14:00

General Assembly of AGRINATURA (www.agrinatura.eu) - June 27 at 9:00

General Assembly of ICA (www.ica-europe.info) - June 27 at 14:30

Opening session of the Conference on Monday 27 June

Key note address by Dallas Tonsager, Under Secretary for Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture at the Opening Session of the Conference on Monday 27 June 2011 at 17:00.



The Opening session will be followed by the Opening Reception at « La Maladrerie Saint-Lazare » (authentic medieval barn), cocktail party on the « French regions tour ».

Thematic Visits ([read more](#))

Enjoy your stay in France to discover:

French Agriculture - on Monday 27 and Thursday 30 from 8:30 to 16:00

Food Industry - on Thursday 30 from 8:30 to 16:00

French Gastronomy - on Thursday 30 from 9:00 to 14:00

Thematic visits are subject to a sufficient number of subscribers. Register [here](#).

Tuesday 28 June 2011

Plenary Session 1, Theme A: Education for Sustainable Rural Development.

Tom Johnson - Director Community Policy Analysis Center, University of Missouri, USA

Carlos Gomez Restrepo - Rector, University of LaSalle Bogotá, President, International Association of LaSallian Universities (IALU), Columbia
“Education for rural Sustainable Development”

Michel Ngongo Luhembwe - Dean, Faculty of Agronomical Sciences, University of Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of Congo

Plenary Session 2, Theme B: Research and Innovation strategies.

Ganesh P. Shivakoti - Professor of Agricultural and Natural Resources Economics, School of Environment, Resources and Development, Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand
“Innovative Research Issues Addressing Policies, Institutions and Governance Challenges of Irrigation in Twenty-First Century”

Håkan Schroeder - Deputy Dean at the Faculty of Landscape Planning, Horticulture and Agricultural Sciences, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden
“Collaboration between the university and the industry - strategies for a Win-Win concept”

Dmytro Melnychuk - Rector, National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine, Ukraine

Parallel sessions (afternoon): presentations of contributed papers themes A & B

Conference dinner
Pierrefonds Castle



Wednesday 29 June

Plenary Session 3, Theme C : Partnership Strategies with Local Stakeholders.

New!

Akin Adesina - Vice President for Policy and Partnerships, Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa, Kenya

Bungaran Saragih - Former Minister of Agriculture in Indonesia and former Professor, President of the Board of Trustee, Bogor University and Borneo Orangutan Survival Foundation, Indonesia
"Stakeholders, Agriculture and Life Science Universities and the Future in Context"

Raul Machado Neto- Vice-president of the Commission of International Affairs and assessor to the Provost of Graduate Courses, ESALQ and University of Sao Paulo. Former Vice-dean, ESALQ ("Escola Superior de Agricultura"Luiz de Queiroz »), 2003-2007.
"Consecana: A Success partnership experience in the Brazilian sugar and ethanol sector"

Plenary Session 4, Theme D : Strategic positioning of universities of agriculture and life sciences.

New!

Per Holten Andersen - Dean. Faculty of Life Sciences. University of Copenhagen, Denmark
"Strategic positioning of universities of agriculture and life sciences - the Copenhagen Case"

Stéphane Guilbert - Director, Agreenium, The French Consortium for Research and Education in Agriculture, Nutrition, Animal Health and Environment, France

Zhimin Liu - Director, Higher Education Institute, Nanjing Agricultural University, China
"The Strategic Disciplinary Boundaries of China's Key Agricultural & Forestry Universities"

Parallel Sessions: presentations of contributed papers theme C&D (5 session total)

Closing Session: Supporting Global networking of Universities of Agriculture and Life Science

Followed by the Conference Closing dinner on the River Seine- Paris.



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