

Review Process

The submitted abstracts will undergo a review process led by the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC). The review will be based on the following criteria:

- Significance of content
- Originality and innovation
- Capacity-building potential
- Relevance for the overall conference topic
- Presentation and formal appearance
- Relevance for policy making



Pre-registration

Please register via: <http://2sc.unccd.int>
No conference registration fees will be charged.

Awards

Three presentation awards will be issued during the conference:

- Best oral presentation
- Best poster presentation
- Best oral presentation of a young scientist (under the age of 35)

More information
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UNCCD 2nd scientific conference
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“Economic assessment of desertification, sustainable land management and resilience of arid, semi-arid and dry sub-humid areas”

Call for Abstracts

Topics to be addressed:

- Economic, environmental and social assessment of desertification, land degradation and drought (DLDD)
- Valuation of sustainable land management (SLM)
- Drivers of change & resilience increase

Organized by:



Scope of the Conference

There is a widespread consensus that the pressing issues of desertification, land degradation and drought are not yet properly included and addressed in today's political and private sector agendas on global, national and local levels. It is therefore of vital importance to raise awareness of the effects – costs and benefits – that decisions related to land management and ecosystems have.

The UNCCD 2nd Scientific Conference is expected to produce sound scientific outputs and policy-oriented recommendations based on the analysis and compilation of peer-reviewed and published literature informing policy formulation and dialogue.



Who should attend?

Scientists from different disciplines, professional experts and practitioners, policy and decision makers, representatives from IGOs, NGOs and the private sector are encouraged to contribute and participate in the conference.

Venue

The UNCCD 2nd Scientific Conference will be held in the Ceara Events Center in Fortaleza, Brazil, during the 3rd special session of the UNCCD Committee for Science and Technology (CST S-3).

Call for Abstracts

Short abstracts, comprising a maximum of 250 words (600 for special sessions or workshops), should include the goals, the research methods and the findings of the papers to be presented and for the special sessions/workshops a list of potential speakers. Abstracts can be submitted for the following contribution types:

- Oral presentation
- Poster presentation
- Special session
- Workshop

Languages

- Short abstracts have to be submitted in English.
- Extended abstract may be submitted in English, Spanish or French.
- Limited interpretation services for oral presentations held in French and Spanish will be provided.

Submission

Submit your abstract online at <http://2sc.unccd.int>

Deadlines

Short abstract submission: **30 September 2012**

Notification of acceptance: **20 October 2012**

Extended abstract submission: **30 November 2012**



Call Topics

Economic, environmental and social assessment of desertification, land degradation and drought DLDD

- Macro-economic policy drivers of land management
- Economic and social impacts of DLDD
- Identification and valuation of ecosystem services
- Indicators for DLDD and SLM
- Water and land, water related ecosystem services
- Soil functions and related ecosystem services
- Economics of land-use changes
- Traditional knowledge related to DLDD / SLM

Valuation of sustainable land management SLM

- Incentives for SLM
- Green economy application and impacts on SLM
- Macro-economic policy drivers of SLM
- Policy analysis, good policy examples
- Investment opportunities in drylands / PPP models
- Awareness raising, research and education on the economics of DLDD
- Good practice in SLM and lessons learned
- Land and habitat planning

Drivers of change & resilience increase

- Economics of the commons, community land management
- Land prices, markets, foreign investment in land
- Land rights and governance
- Implications of demographic changes for DLDD
- Land Degradation in industrialized countries
- Water scarcity and land (the nexus aspects)
- Climatic changes and impacts on DLDD trends
- Financial drivers of DLDD and resilience