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#### **FOREWORD**

The African Regional Postgraduate Programme in Insect Science (ARPPIS) was established as a contribution to resolving the dilemma of how to produce competent African insect scientists with relevant training. ARPPIS presently involves the ICIPE as a participant and as the executing agency, and 18 African Participating Universities. The programme harnesses the strengths, expertise and facilities of both the ICIPE and the Universities into one network of cooperation, dedicated to postgraduate training in Africa.

When ARPPIS was established in 1983 it was decided to concentrate on Ph.D. training to address the need for well trained research scientists capable of generating new knowledge and of leading research teams in National Research and Development Systems (NRDS) or teaching in Universities. By 1990 86 Ph.D.'s have been admitted to this programme. Now, ARPPIS is being urged to create a Masters Degree Programme by the Participating Universities, member countries of the Pest Management Research and Development Network (PESTNET) and by donor organizations. These organizations have recognized the shortage of trained middle-level scientists in applied entomology.

The ARPPIS Academic Board proposes that currently four sub-regional centres be set up to offer a two-year M.Sc. degree Programme in Insect Science as follows:

- Southern Africa: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbambwe, based at the University of Zimbabwe, Harare;
- (ii) West Africa: Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, based at the University of Ghana, Legon;
- (iii) French-speaking Africa: Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Guinea, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Rwanda, Senegal, Togo and Zaire, based at the Dschang University Centre, Cameroon; and
- (iv) Eastern and North-Eastern Africa: Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda (the hosting University has yet to be identified).

The setting up of Sub-Regional Centres is an important attempt to strengthen higher education in African Universities, and to produce course structures and project supervision that meet the needs of NRDS and Universities at the M.Sc. level. The planning process is being undertaken with great care with all the potential collaborators being fully consulted.

It is for this purpose that ICIPE, on behalf of the ARPPIS Academic Board, has organized the International Planning Conference on Establishing the Sub-Regional Centres for Masters Degree Programme in Insect Science in Africa hosted by the Jomo Kenyatta University College of Agriculture and Technology (JKUCAT) between 5th-7th August 1991. Wide-based participation by Vice-Chancellors of ARPPIS Participating Universities; ARPPIS Academic Board Members; other Universities interested in participating in the M.Sc. programme; and representatives from the donor community as well as African regional organizations (such as the African Development Bank (ADB), the Organization of African Unity (OAU), SACCAR, and ECA), have been invited to participate in the Conference.

The aim is to facilitate exhaustive deliberations of relevant questions relating to the proposed network of sub-regional M.Sc. centres. It is hoped that this planning meeting will lead to an endorsement of the proposal and the support by the Hosting and Participating Universities as well as the donor community.

The further development of ARPPIS to encompass four Sub-Regional Centres for the M.Sc. Degree in Insect Science, and the restructuring of the existing Ph.D. programme in Insect Science at the ICIPE into an ICIPE Graduate School, will likely have an exhilarating effect on Africa's capacity to create, absorb, and use new knowledge in insect science and pest management. It is acknowledged that

world-class university-based programmes of R&D in insect science, and of first-class postgraduate education in insect science, could well turn out to be the breeding ground for the mastery of insect science and its technological applications. In this scenario, the ICIPE has a vital part to play as a partner in high-level modern training in insect science, but also as an advanced centre for R&D in tropical insect science.

It therefore gives us pleasure, the ARPPIS partnership, to welcome you personally to this conference and look forward to fruitful deliberations in this critically important International Planning Conference for the future of Africa.

#### **PROGRAMME**

#### CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN

PROFESSOR CHIWEYETE EJIKE VICE-CHANCELLOR ANAMBRA STATE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY ENUGU, NIGERIA

### Sunday, 4th August 1991

0800 - 1200 Hours

Arrival of Participants

1830 Hours

Official Opening and

Reception Chief Guest:

Hon. Mr. Peter Oloo

Aringo, M.P.

Kenya's Minister for

Education

Venue — The International

(4)

Centre of Insect

Physiology and Ecology,

Duduville

Monday, 5th August 1991

0830 - 0900

Registration

#### SESSION I

Presiding: Professor G.
Eshiwani Principal, Jomo
Kenyatta University College of
Agriculture and Technology
(IKUCAT)

THEME:

STRENGTHENING M.Sc. PROGRAMMES THROUGH REGIONAL COOPERATION IN AFRICA

0900 - 0930

Needs for Regional Cooperation in Postgraduate Training in Africa

Professor G. Eshiwani

0930 - 1000

Innovative Approaches for Promoting and Strengthening Postgraduate Studies and Research through Regional Cooperation

Professor J.S. Djangmah Association of African Universities (AAU) Accra, Ghana

1000 - 1020

Optimal Regional Utilization of Resources and Academic Potential for Postgraduate Studies

Prof. P.M. Makhurane Chairman, Network of Deans & Directors of Graduate Studies in Eastern and Southern African Universities, and Vice Chancellor, National University of Science and Technology, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

1020 - 1040

Upgrading Professional Skills of University Staff Through Cooperative Regional M.Sc Programmes

Prof. A. Mascarenhas Director Postgraduate Studies University of Dar es Salaam Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

1040 - 1100

GENERAL DISCUSSION

1100 - 1130

GROUP PHOTOGRAPH TEA/COFFEE BREAK

1130 - 1300

DONOR'S PERSPECTIVE

1130 - 1140

The Role of the African Development Bank in Human Resources Development in Africa

Mr. C. Kahangi Regional Representative African Development Bank Nairobi, Kenya

1140 - 1150

Evolution of Donors' Policy in Respect to Graduate Training Support in Africa Dr. F.C. Fischer Director REDSO/United States Agency for International Development

(USAID) Nairobi, Kenya

1150 - 1200 Recent Developments in the

Netherlands Organization for International Cooperation in Higher Education (NUFFIC)

Dr. Oebele Bruinsma NUFFIC

The Hague, Netherlands

1200 – 1210 IDRC Support for South-South Cooperation in Postgraduate

Training

Prof. A. Bekoe Regional Director International Development Research Centre (IDRC)

Nairobi, Kenya

1210 - 1300 GENERAL DISCUSSION

1300 - 1400 LUNCH BREAK

SESSION II

Presiding: Professor C. Ejike

THEME: RATIONALE, ORGANIZATION

AND ACTIVITIES OF THE REGIONAL MASTER OF

SCIENCE DEGREE

PROGRAMMES IN INSECT

SCIENCE IN AFRICA

ARPPIS Network in Relation to 1400 - 1430the Sub-Regional Centres Professor Z.T. Dabrowski Ag. Head Institutional Building and Interactive Research Unit (IBIRU) and Training Coordinator, ICIPE, Nairobi 1430 - 1500Relations Between the Hosting University and Participating Universities in the Sub-Regions A Model Professor R.K.G. Assoku Dean School of Graduate Studies University of Ghana Legon, Ghana 1500 - 1520The Role and Function of the Inter-University Consultative Groups Professor H. Morgan Vice Principal University of Sierra Leone Fourah Bay College Sierra Leone Freetown, Sierra Leone 1520 - 1545TEA/COFFEE BREAK 1545 - 1615Curricula for the M.Sc. Sub-

Science

Regional Programmes in Insect

Dr. D.C. Munthali University of Malawi, Zomba, Malawi

1615 - 1800

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Tuesday, 6th August 1991

SESSION III

Presiding: Professor C. Ejike

THEME:

VICE-CHANCELLORS' VIEWS

ON STRATEGY OF ESTABLISHING SUB-REGIONAL CENTRES

0900 - 0915

Rationale for Selecting Southern

Africa Sub-Regional Čentre

Professor A. Siwela Ag. Vice-Chancellor University of Zambia Lusaka, Zambia, and Chairman of the Mission

0915 - 0935

Strategy of Establishing the Southern Africa Sub-Regional

Centre

Professor J.C. Chetsanga Ag. Vice-Chancellor University of Zimbabwe

Harare, Zimbabwe

0935 - 0950

Rationale for Selecting West African Sub-Regional Centre (English-Speaking Countries) Professor R.I. Egwuatu Anambra State University of Technology Enugu, Nigeria and Chairman of the Mission

0950 – 1010 Strategy of Establishing the Centre for West Africa Sub-

Region

Professor Akilagper Sawyerr Vice-Chancellor University of Ghana Legon, Ghana

1010 – 1025 Rationale for Selecting Sub-Regional Centre for French-

Speaking Africa

Professor R.I. Egwuatu

1025 – 1045 Strategy for Establishing the Sub-Regional Centre for French-Speaking Africa

> Professor J. Mfoulou Director General Dschang University Centre Dschang, Cameroun

1045 – 1100 Rationale for Selecting Eastern and North-Eastern African Sub-Regional Centre

Professor. A. Siwela

1100 – 1130 TEA/COFFEE BREAK

1130 - 1300 GENERAL DISCUSSION

#### SESSION IV

Presiding: Prof. C. Ejike

THEME:

ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION

ON LOGISTICS AND

IMPLEMENTATION OF M.Sc.

PROGRAMMES IN SUB-REGIONAL CENTRES

1400 - 1530

**Academic Matters** 

Programmes curricula

Academic staff

Research projects

Quality control

1530 - 1600

COFFEE/TEA BREAK

1600 - 1730

Administrative Matters

 Procedure for student selection

Registration procedure

Graduation

Financial sources

 Relations between the host University and participating Universities

1730 - 1800

Drafting and Discussion of Communique

# Wednesday, 7th August 1991

# CONCLUDING SESSION

|             | Presiding: Professor C. Ejike   |
|-------------|---|
| THEME:      | MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR<br>THE OPERATIONS OF SUB-<br>REGIONAL CENTRES  |
| 0900 - 1030 | Discussion and Endorsement of Communique  |
| 1030 - 1100 | TEA/COFFEE BREAK  |
| 1100 - 1200 | <ul> <li>Southern African</li> <li>Consultative Group</li> <li>Western African</li> <li>Consultative Group</li> <li>French-Speaking Region</li> <li>Consultative Group</li> </ul> |
| 1200 - 1230 | Signing Agreement on<br>Management Issues to Establish<br>a Sub-regional Centre (for each<br>centre separately)<br>(Annexes to the Protocol)                                      |
| 1230 - 1300 | Closing Remarks:<br>Professor Thomas R. Odhiambo  |
| 1300 – 1400 | CLOSING LUNCHEON Jomo Kenyatta University College of Agriculture and Technology (JKUCAT)  |

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