



SANREM INNOVATION LAB



4th International Conservation Agriculture Conference in Southeast Asia (CA-SEA4)

*Conservation Agriculture and Sustainable Crop Production
Intensification: Producing more while enhancing ecosystem
services"*

University of Battambang, Battambang, Cambodia

December 9-13, 2013



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Call for Papers

In 2011, the Food and Agriculture Organization published a book: 'Save and Grow'. The challenge of Save and Grow is the focus of this conference:

"To feed a growing world population, we have no option but to intensify crop production. But farmers face unprecedented constraints In order to grow, agriculture must learn to save."

The phrase, sustainable crop production intensification (SCPI) was coined, a key component of which is soil health. Conservation Agriculture (CA) is producing food while mimicking the forest through minimum soil disturbance (no-tillage), continuous mulch, and diverse species; an approach which enhances soil health.

In this conference we are soliciting presentations about conservation agriculture production systems (CAPS) being developed in several regions of the world. We are seeking papers on CA research, teaching and extension.



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Suggested topics include:

- CA and crop yield
- CA and soil health
- CA and carbon sequestration
- CA and gender
- CA with trees
- CA equipment
- CA and income
- CA modeling
- CA adoption
- CA extension
- CA education
- CA textbook,
- CA and permaculture
- CA and biodiversity
- CA in urban & peri-urban local food production
- CA and lowland rice production
- CA and livestock
- CA and human nutrition and more ...

EXPECTED OUTPUTS:

- Abstracts, proceedings, powerpoint presentations and of presentations available on the web
- Strengthening of the Conservation Agriculture networks operated by CIRAD and FAO
- Proposing the establishment of a CA-Center in SEA; and CA Center and/or research in each SEA country
 - Presentation on Conservation Agriculture with Trees (CAT) center in the Philippines
 - Presentation on Conservation Agriculture Service Center (CASC) in Cambodia

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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- **JENNIFER HIMMELSTEIN:** Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Collaborative Research on Sustainable Agriculture and Natural Resource Management

PROGRAM (*NOTE: Not all speakers have confirmed – some adjustment will be made later*)

December 8: Arrival

December 9:

- Opening of Conference
 - Rector of UBB
 - FAO representative
 - USAID representative
 - AFD representative
 - CANSEA Director
 - WASWAC President
- Keynote Presentations:
 - FAO representative
 - Dr. Cruzado
- Sessions of various presentations grouped into topics
- Posters (posters will remain in the room until Thursday, Dec. 12)



December 10:

- Plenary Presentations: (CA-World Researches)
 - Adrian Ares SANREM
 - Director CIRAD
- Presentations on SANREM, CIRAD and FAO CA researches in several regions of the world
 - Haiti project
 - CIRAD team
 - FAO team
- CANSEA Steering Committee meeting (by invitation organized by CANSEA team)

December 11:

- Plenary Presentations: Soil Health
- Sessions of various presentations grouped into topics (dependent on abstract submissions)
- Special night program possibly at Lake Ton Le Sap

December 12:

Cambodian Women and Men Farmers experiences on CA:

- Farmers of Battambang (men and women or husband and wife teams)
- Farmers of Siem Reap (six women of Siem Reap vegetable farmers)
- Field Trip in farms in Battambang
- Visit to Temple in Battambang, home of millions of bats



Battambang Tourist Attractions

December 13: (need to leave by 6:30 am)

- Field Trip to women CA vegetable farmers in Siem Reap
- Tour of Angkor Wat (right) and other temples (entrance fee of **\$20/day** not included in the registration – but free for Cambodian nationals)



December 14:

- Tour of several other temples (optional – with additional entrance fee of **\$20**) and departure

PAPER SUBMISSION: To submit an abstract for consideration, please email the Program Chair, Dr. Victor Ella, at vbella100@yahoo.com with the following information: 1. an abstract of a length between 250-350 words; 2. full paper if available.

An applicant needs to indicate the topic category the paper should belong to and whether s/he would like to present it orally or as a poster. Specs for the posters are likely: 90 cm wide; 120 cm high, with letters readable from 2 m; with good mix of photos, diagrams, tables, maps, BUT it will be confirmed soon. Multiple submissions by the same author(s) are allowed and welcome, but please make separate submission requests. The deadline for abstract submission is October 31, 2013. Notification for abstracts acceptance will be given by November 7, 2013. Presenter must register within November 15, 2013 for abstract to be included in the conference program.

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT PAPER SUBMISSION, PLS CONTACT:

Prof. Victor Ella, at vbella100@yahoo.com



REGISTRATION FEE

Before the early bird deadline of November 15, 2013: Participant and accompanying person: @ \$250

After the early bird deadline of November 15, 2013 and payment at the site: Participant and accompanying person: @ \$300

Payment can be made online at <http://caconferencesea.conservationagricultureandagroforestry.org/>

The registration fee includes: Conference attending, conference kits, lunches, refreshments, special night at Ton Le Sap Lake and field trips (excluding entrance fee at Angkor WAT temples)

NOTE: Thai and Chinese applicants should contact their respective co-chairs shown below.

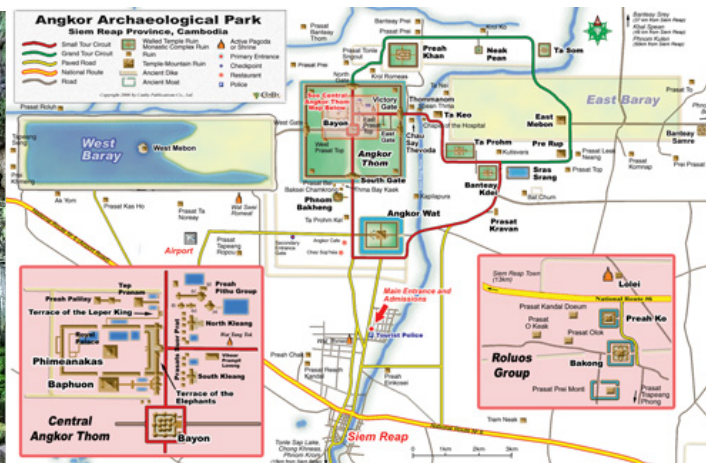
ACCOMMODATION: Rooms have been reserved at Seng Hout Hotel in the center of Battambang City (right). Single, double, twin & triple rooms are available. Rates range from \$15 to \$30/night. Free Wi-Fi in public areas and guest rooms.



LOCAL CONTACTS for China and Thailand

For China: Contact Prof. Li Rui, *Conference Co-Chair*, President, World Association of Soil and Water Conservation at lirui@ms.iswc.ac.cn Phone: +86-13992812012

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See you at Battambang and Angkor Wat in December