The World Cotton Research Conference (WCRC) is held once every four years in different cotton growing countries. The previous conferences were held in Australia (1994), Greece (1998), South Africa (2003), USA (2007), India (2011) and Brazil (2016). The WCRC serves as a global platform for researchers and experts to share the latest updates in cotton research and development. The 5-day technical programme will include invited plenary lectures and keynote talks that feature world-renowned cotton scientists. The conference provides an opportunity for researchers to present their work through oral and poster presentations and for the private and public sector institutions to showcase their latest technologies and products.

The WCRC is organised jointly by the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) and the International Cotton Researchers Association (ICRA). The ICAC was set up in 1939 in Washington, DC, as an intergovernmental agency to assist member governments with information and policies on cotton. The ICRA is a global association of researchers that was set up by the ICAC in 2012 to foster research collaboration amongst cotton researchers across the globe.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Fresh paper submission: 30 July 2022
- Paper acceptance: 5 August 2022
- Sponsorship booking: 15 August 2022
- Registration: 15 August 2022

**FRESH CALL FOR PAPERS**

Researchers may submit new papers before 30 July 2022. Papers accepted previously will be presented as oral or posters at the conference. Fresh submissions if accepted will be included for presentation. The BOOK OF PAPERS will be released at the conference.

**7 October 2022**

**WORLD COTTON DAY CELEBRATIONS**
SUBJECT AREAS
1. Plant breeding and genetics
2. Molecular biology, biotechnology and genomics
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6. Agro meteorology, climate change and crop modeling
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8. Agricultural engineering, robotics and artificial intelligence
9. Cotton by-products and their utilisation
10. Spinning, fibre processing and textile technologies

PAPER SUBMISSION
Only full paper submissions will be considered for oral and poster presentations. Incomplete submissions will be liable to be rejected. Last Date of Fresh Submission: 30 July 2022
For full details visit: www.wcrc7.org

HOTELS
A number of hotels are available for online booking near Steigenberger Hotel, El Tahrir, Cairo, Egypt. Options will be displayed on the web site at a later date.

REGISTRATION FEE
FOR OVERSEAS PARTICIPANTS
Online payment www.wcrc7.org (last date 15 August 2022): US$ 450
Spot payment: US$ 500

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REGISTRATION CANCELLATION POLICY
For cancellation of registration, delegates will receive a 75% refund on their registration fees if the Organising Secretary is informed by email, on or before 1 September 2022. Registration fees will be fully refunded only if a visa has been rejected or with special approval of the Chairman of the international Organising Committee who would examine the unforeseen circumstances for cancellation of registration.
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EGYPT - THE CRADLE OF CIVILIZATIONS

Egypt is one of the oldest civilizations in human history. Its archaeological record is one of the longest known, dating back to 3110 B.C. when the ancient kingdoms of Upper and Lower Egypt were united by Pharaoh (King) Menes, who founded the first in a long array of dynasties.

The ancient Egyptians used the Nile river to develop prosperous agriculture where they successfully grew numerous crops including wheat for food and flax for clothes. They also perfected the extraction of flax fibers from the plant stalks and their processing into fine yarns and linen fabrics.

Post-conference technical and sight seeing tour options will be available.

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