

Overview:

Under the patronage of Cabo Verde and in collaboration with Italy and FAO, WASAG organizes the first International Forum on Water Scarcity in Agriculture. The forum will take place in Praia, Cabo Verde from 19 to 22 March 2019. The last day of the forum will coincide with the celebrations of the World Water Day 2019, with the theme "Leaving no one behind", during which the World Water Development Report (WWDR) will be presented.

How to submit a contribution or side event?

- 1. Interested individuals and organizations can submit technical contributions (papers or posters) to <u>WASAG-registration@fao.org</u>.
- 2. Organizations or group of organizations can also submit proposals for a side event.
- 3. The due date for all the submissions is **10 February 2019**.
- 4. Submissions from all partners and stakeholders of WASAG, regional organizations, including the private sector from different regions of the world with a keen interest in water scarcity in agriculture are encouraged.
- 5. The technical contributions (including for side events) should encompass one or more of the following themes:
 - Water and Migration: with the specific objective of understanding links between water insecurities and migration pressures in rural areas, reinforcing social cohesion and identifying interventions that can help restore, protect and/or develop productive natural capital assets through improving water security in rural areas.
 - **Drought Preparedness:** with focus on technical and policy options aimed at contributing to the restoration and/or protection of productive natural capital affected by droughts.
 - **Water and Nutrition:** with focus on creating awareness, capacity and evidence on the linkage between water and nutrition. A key component of this topic will be policy dialogues between Agriculture and Water Ministries and those in charge of Nutrition.
 - Sustainable Agriculture Water Use including efficient irrigation: with the aim to increase awareness and action by agriculture and related ministries for more sustainable agricultural water use to address water scarcity for enhanced food security and nutrition.
 - Saline Agriculture: with focus on supporting sustainable food production in increasingly saline environments while contributing to the restoration and/or protection of productive natural capital affected by salinity and water scarcity.
 - **Financing Mechanisms for sustainable management of water resources:** with focus on identify financing mechanisms to deal with the challenges related the management of water resources in the context of water scarcity with specific reference to migration, drought preparedness, nutrition, sustainable water management and saline agriculture.

To submit a contribution or side event proposal, please fill in the following table:

Name and Surname:				
	Female	Male		Other
Youth (under 35)	Yes	No		
Institution/ Organization	n/Affiliation:			
Title/Position:				
Country:				
Telephone (office)	Mobile phone:	Mobile phone:		
Email:				
Visa requirements: I need an invitation letter for the visa			YES	NO

Once you complete the table kindly indicate which of the 6 major themes your contribution is relevant to by ticking below.

Themes:		Tick (X)
1.	Water and Migration	
2.	Drought Preparedness	
3.	Water and Nutrition	
4.	Sustainable Agriculture Water Use – including efficient	
	irrigation	
5.	Saline Agriculture	
6.	Financing Mechanisms for sustainable management of water	
	resources	
7.	Other (Specify):	

How to submit:

• <u>Technical contributions (paper or poster)</u>

An abstract of the proposed contribution is required below, which will be reviewed by a Scientific Committee to ensure quality and relevance to water scarcity in agriculture.

A paper contribution should fit with one of the above themes and for a 15 minutes presentation.

The posters will be presented in a dedicated session on the second day of the forum, in the exhibition area. The presenters will be expected to explain their posters during this session.

Title:				
Abstract (200 words):				
Tick (X): o Paper	• Poster			
Key words:				

• <u>Side event proposals</u>

Space will be provided for limited number of side events. They are scheduled to last between 60 and 90 minutes. A summary of the proposed side event is required below, which will be reviewed by a Scientific Committee to ensure quality and relevance to water scarcity in agriculture.

Title:
Summary (200 words):
Tentative names/affiliations of the speakers/panelists:
Key words:

Important information:

- 1. Send your submissions (and any questions of clarity) to: <u>WASAG-registration@fao.org</u>
- 2. Deadline for submissions is: 10 February 2019
- 3. A confirmation e-mail will be sent after your submission is received
- 4. If your contribution is selected, the final submission (in powerpoint or PDF (for posters)) should be sent to <u>WASAG-registration@fao.org</u> by 5 March 2019
- 5. The participation of women and youth is highly encouraged, the forum targets to achieve a minimum 30% of gender balance.
- 6. Logistical information will be provided in due time via e-mail.