Objectives

- Provide a platform to review the state of the insects for food, feed and other sectors in Africa
- Present research outcomes relevant for the future development of the sector
- Facilitate stakeholder interactions with a particular focus on how the insect sector can contribute to achieving SDGs in Africa

Conference topics

A. Insect species – Biology & Ecology
   - Relevant species for mass production
   - Genetic diversity
   - Ecosystem services

B. Insect production systems
   - Small scale systems: challenges and solutions
   - Scaling up: industrialization and automation
   - Pest & Diseases
   - Breeding and Substrates

C. Food and non-food applications of insects
   - Feed
   - Food – nutrition and consumers
   - Human health, Plant/soil health
   - Waste management

D. Insects in social & economy context
   - Insects in food culture and food security
   - Regulatory, Economic empowerment
   - Producer networks
   - Special session by World Bank: Insects in refugee settings

Accommodation

Accommodation will be available at the AICAD Guest House, Maxland Hotel, Centurion Hotel and Hotel Lillies.

How to participate

- Submit an abstract to igec2024@gmail.com
- Instructions for abstract preparation and submission here
- Deadline for abstract submission: 15th December 2023
- Participation fee: USD 100
- Exhibition space available

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