



**AFGHANISTAN FORAGE INITIATIVE
KNOWLEDGE FOCUSED EVENT
APRIL 29 – MAY 6, 2017**

Friday April 28th, 2017

Arrival of participants to Amman

Saturday April 29th, 2017

<p>Morning briefing session (10:00 – coffee meet and greet) (10:30-12:00 briefing)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview • Q&A • Preparation for the week 	<p>Shinan Kassam Betty Abrilian Sawsan Hassan</p>
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AFTERNOON AT LEISURE

Sunday April 30th, 2017

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field visit to Majdya research site (watershed management / rangeland rehabilitation focus) • Departure from hotel at 08:00 (Arrival - 9:00) • 2 hour site visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water harvesting techniques • Shrub plantation 	<p>Mounir Louhaichi Stefan Strohmeier Biju George</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field visit to Mchaqqar Research Station • Arrival at 12:00 • 2 ½ hour site visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cactus germplasm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Multi-purpose accessions ○ Agronomic practices (hands on experience) • Integrated alley cropping and conservation agriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Perennial species (shrubs and trees) ○ Crops (Barley, lentil, vetch) • Rangeland botanical garden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Example of field gene bank ○ Saltbush species (10 different species of Atriplex) • Medicinal plants 	<p>Mounir Louhaichi Sawsan Hassan</p>

Lunch at Zwwar – End of Day



Monday May 1st, 2017

Free Day

Tuesday May 2nd, 2017

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seedling multiplication project visit (Mafraq) Departure at 8:30 (arrival at 10:00) 3.5 hour site visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's enterprise seedling multiplication (United States Forest Service sponsored) 	Mounir Louhaichi Sawsan Hassan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parallel session 2 (Amman) Assemble at hotel lobby – 830am Venue TBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit to National Centre for Agricultural Research and Extension (NCARE) Presentation from NCARE on Jordanian regulations related to varietal release, maintenance, etc. Tour of NCARE station 	Aziz Niane MAIL – ARIA - DAIL directors

Lunch at Rim Albwadi (Amman) – End of Day

Wednesday May 3rd, 2017

Check-out from hotel and departure for airport (timings to be announced)

Arrival to Cairo, hotel check in and freshen up

LUNCH AT HOTEL (14:30)

AFTERNOON PARALLEL SESSIONS (16:00 – 18:30)

Parallel session 1:	Gender research framework	Remco Mur, Silvia Sarapura Nadia Nabizada, Rahila Azizi Aideen Tamana, Bomani Afzali Sawsan Hassan
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Coffee Break (17:30)

Parallel Session 2	Project working committee meeting	Remainder
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Thursday May 4th, 2017

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Parallel Session 1 (9am – 12 pm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forages in annual cropping systems and evaluation of Afghanistan trial results Nutritional aspects of forage 	Serkan Ates Sawsan Hassan
Parallel Session 2 (9am – 12pm)	Gender research framework	Shinan Kassam Remco Mur Silvia Sarapura Nadia Nabizada Aideen Tamana Bomani Afzali Rahila Azizi
Coffee Break (10:30)		
Parallel session 4: (At the forage research institute of ARC)	<p>Discussion on varietal introduction, maintenance and release for forage and pasture crops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aziz: presentation on variety evaluation and release and implications on seed delivery Egyptian presentation(s) on varietal introduction and release processes Nang: presentation on Afghan seed policies, regulations and implications on forage and pasture seed delivery 	Aziz Niane (Facilitator) MAIL-ARIA Directors plus interested others
LUNCH (12:30)		
Visits to farmers' fields (security approval permitting)		
Friday May 5th, 2017		
Day at leisure		
Project dinner (7:00pm)		
Saturday May 6th, 2017		
Departure for most		
Breakfast meeting for remainder (reflections, next steps, learning)		



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Amman

Cairo

1. ACCOMMODATION/TRAINING VENUE:

Participants will be accommodated in Amman at Ayass Hotel
Address: Al Madinah Al Munawarah Street 153
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Participants will be accommodated in Egypt at Safir Hotel
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Website: <http://www.safirhotels.com>

2. AIRPORT - PICK-UP SERVICE

Provided we have your flight details, you will be met upon arrival at airport. Please look for a person holding ICARDA name-placard at the arrival terminal, just after passing through the baggage claim area and customs counters.

3. LOGISTICS

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