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Thematic Session:

## **Sustainable Agricultural Management of Drylands: The Case of Arab Countries**



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Agriculture is the main income of populations living in droughty areas of Arab Countries. Sustainable agricultural management of drylands will help these populations increase their income, avoid emigration and stop desertification. This can be achieved through appropriate agricultural practices well adapted to drylands, and a reasonable use of natural resources (soil, water, and plant species). On the other hand, good systems of drought monitoring and mitigation should be developed for decision makers and local governments to take the appropriate measures to alleviate the adverse affects of severe droughts on the national economy and local populations.

### **Topics of the Session:**

- ✓ Drought Mitigation
- ✓ Water Harvest and Management in Drylands
- ✓ Soil Conservation Techniques in Drylands
- ✓ Agroforestry
- ✓ Pasture Management in Drought Prone Areas.
- ✓ Sustainable Livestock Management in Drylands
- ✓ New and Alternatives Crops for Drought Prone Areas
- ✓ Sustainable Crop Management in Drylands

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**Please note that the deadline for submitting your abstract is October 15, 2006.**