

Call for Abstracts

Submission deadline: July 5th, 2016

Introduction

The Society for Family Health (SFH) Rwanda and Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Alliance Rwanda invite the nutrition community to submit abstracts for presentation at the **Nutrition 4 Growth and Development Conference** - 2016 in Kigali, Rwanda. The conference will bring together people from a wide array of sectors– including researchers, policy-makers, program implementers, and the private sector who share interest in alleviating malnutrition.

Conference Main Focus: *Evidence based advocacy to increase Nutrition funding in Rwanda*

Conference Theme: Investment and multi-sectoral coordination for Nutrition: Challenges and Opportunities

Conference Sub-themes

1. Malnutrition: A Public Health Concern
2. Strategies to eradicate malnutrition
3. Multi-sectoral coordination of nutrition initiatives
4. -Sustainable financing of Nutrition
5. Human capital development
6. Data, information and Knowledge systems

Conference outcomes: Identify challenges, opportunities and priorities

- Coordinated nutrition programs
- Strategies for financial investment in nutrition initiatives to end malnutrition
- Advocacy for increasing human capital
- Nutrition surveillance

The conference program will include keynote speakers, presentations, poster presentations, plenary sessions.

Abstract Format

Abstracts must be submitted here or at the bottom of this page. The following information must be included in the abstracts:

- Presentation type (Oral or poster);
- The primary sub-theme addressed
- Full title of the presentation
- Full list of author(s); underlined primary presenter(s)
- Contact information of the corresponding author
- Description

When submitting your abstract description (300 words maximum) please use one of the following formats;

- Research abstract: Background/Rationale; Methods/Methodology; Results; conclusions; and Recommendations
- Program implementation abstracts: Background, Methodology, Results, conclusions and Recommendations
- Work-in-Progress or Proposal abstracts: Learning Objective(s); Background/Rationale; Methods/Methodology; and summary.
- Project, Evaluations or Issues abstract: Learning Objective(s); Background/Rationale; description/Overview; Activities; and Evaluation/Outcomes.

Meeting Sessions

Opening/closing session:

These sessions welcome our delegates and wrap up the conference. No other sessions are scheduled for these time slots.

Plenary Session:

Plenary session will take place on day 1 of the conference to address the expected outcomes of the conference

Poster Presentations:

Posters will be presented during a single poster session throughout the conference days. Presenting authors will be required to stand by their poster during their presentation session. Innovative poster presentations are encouraged. Poster Boards are 90 cm wide by 120 cm tall and all material must fit in that space.

Abstract Deadline

Abstracts must be submitted to the conference secretariat (E- mail: conference@sfrwanda.org) by 5th July 2016 using the online submission process to be considered for presentation at the conference.

Abstract Review Criteria

Submissions will be double blind peer-reviewed based on the following criteria:

- **Originality** - Novelty of ideas, methods, program or evaluation approach.
- **Merit/Relevance** - Importance to investing opportunities to nutrition, commitment to nutrition and contributes new knowledge, brings forward lessons learned.
- **Findings/Results** (for concurrent and Poster abstracts) – Demonstrate concrete outcomes of an initiative completed or in progress.
- **Objectives** – Realistic, and would they be of interest to attendees.
- **Clarity** - Well written, understandable, follows required submission format;
- **Overall Impression** - Good synthesis of initiative, demonstrates alignment of purpose, approach, findings, and implications.
- **Relevance to Conference Theme** - Alignment with conference theme and selected sub theme.

Please submit your abstract to: conference@sfrwanda.org

Other Information and Questions

If you have any questions, please contact secretariat at conference@sfrwanda.org

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