

THE 14th Mara Day Celebrations SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

14th September 2025

(Venue: Mwalimu Nyerere University of Agriculture and Technology)

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS, POSTERS AND EXHIBITIONS

Introduction

The Lake Victoria Basin Commission (LVBC) in collaboration with Mwalimu Nyerere University of Agriculture and Technology (MNUAT), Maasai Mara University (Mmara-U) and the Inter-University Council for East Africa (IUCEA) is pleased to announce a call for papers, posters and exhibitions for the 14th Mara Day Scientific Conference. This conference themed **"Protect Mara River: Preserve Life**," will take place on September 14, 2025 at MNUAT, Butiama District in the United Republic of Tanzania. We invite researchers, students, the private sector and government officials from the East African Community member states—Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burundi, DRC Congo, and Somalia—as well as international researchers focused on the Mara Basin Ecosystem, to contribute their insights on issues related to the Mara River through conservation.

Conference Theme: "Protect Mara River: Preserve Life"

Conference Sub-themes

- i. Biodiversity Conservation and Ecosystem Management to foster Sustainable Development in Mara River Basin;
- ii. Cross-Border Cooperation, Policy Implementation, and Conflict Resolution through community-based and gender mainstreaming approaches for River Basin management; and
- iii. Innovative Technologies for addressing emerging threats within the Mara River Basin.

Conference registration

The conference participants must register on the following link: <u>https://shorturl.at/agVhu</u>

Conference registered participants will receive a registration confirmation email through the email: <u>maraday.conf2025@gmail.com</u> as soon the application has been submitted.

Abstract guidelines

Submitted abstracts should be saved in the following format in MS Word, named as: Sub-theme number _ Institution _ First Name _ Surname Name for instance; **2**_ **Dedan Kimathi University_ Omondi_ Taga**

Presentation Title

- i. Authors Name (s),
- ii. Times New Roman
- iii. Font size 12
- iv. Affiliation of authors i.e. Departments, Organization, Postal address, Telephone contact, Email address, ORCiD number (if available)
- v. Standard Poster templates will be shared
- vi. Abstract body
- vii. Key words (4 6 key words)

Please ensure the abstract has: a brief introduction, gap, main objectives, methodology, findings/results, conclusions and recommendations of the study (maximum 350 words).

NB; There should be **NO** citations in the abstracts.

Key Dates

| Submission deadline | – 22 nd August, 2025 |
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| Notification of Accepted Submissions | – 27 th August, 2025 |
| Submission of full papers dateline | – 29 th August, 2025 |
| Programme notification | – 30 th August, 2025 |

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