Workshop Announcement

TEEAL AND AGORA PROGRAMMES TRAINING-OF-TRAINER WORKSHOP

Date: 13 – 15 August 2013  
Venue: Jimma University (JU)  
Organized by: ITOCA - Information Training and Outreach Centre for Africa

Funded by:

Cornell University’s Albert R. Mann Library

Information training and Outreach Centre for Africa (ITOCA), South Africa
COURSE OVERVIEW

Breakthroughs in Information Delivery: TEEAL, AGORA

**TEEAL** [www.teeal.org](http://www.teeal.org)

TEEAL (The Essential Electronic Agricultural Library) launched in 1999, is an offline resource containing 200 full-text journals in agriculture and related sciences. LanTEEAL 2.0, the latest version of TEEAL is available on a hard-drive and most journals in the collection span from 1993 through 2009. Their content encompasses agricultural sciences in the broadest terms, from agricultural economics and crop improvement to food science and nutrition and natural resources management. TEEAL is a project of Cornell University’s Albert R. Mann Library in cooperation with over 60 major scientific publishers, societies and index providers. Over the years, critical financial support has been provided by the Rockefeller Foundation. A key player was Dr. Robert Herdt, former vice-president of [the Rockefeller Foundation](https://www.rocks.org), who was an early supporter of TEEAL. The TEEAL Project is administered through Mann Library’s Collection and Services Department, where a small staff oversee production, distribution, outreach and training. [ITOCA](http://www.aginternetwork.org) (Information Training and Outreach Centre for Africa), in Centurion, South Africa, formerly the TEEAL Africa Office, conducts awareness and training missions all over the continent.

**AGORA** [www.aginternetwork.org](http://www.aginternetwork.org)

Access to Global Online Research in Agriculture (AGORA) is an initiative led by Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) to provide free or low-cost access to major scientific journals in agriculture and related biological, environmental and social sciences to public and qualifying not-for-profit organizations in developing countries. Launched in October 2003, AGORA is a unique collaboration of public and private partners including the World Health Organization (WHO), major scientific publishers, Cornell University’s Mann Library, the Rockefeller Foundation, the UK’s Department of International Development (DFID), CABI publishing and others. Through its Internet gateway [www.aginternetwork.org](http://www.aginternetwork.org), AGORA provides access to over 900 journals from the world’s leading academic publishers. AGORA’s collection focuses on food, agriculture, environmental science and related social sciences. Since its launch, About 600 institutions in 60 countries have registered. Almost all national agricultural research organizations in Africa have registered. Of the 69 countries that are eligible for AGORA’s free journal access, over half are in sub-Saharan Africa.
THE WORKSHOP

The TEEAL training workshops seek to increase the quality and effectiveness of research and education in health, agriculture, environment and related biological and social sciences, which would contribute towards improving food security in the SSA region and encourage cross disciplinary collaboration between agriculture, health and the environment. The expected outcome of the workshops is to enable researchers, policy-makers, educators, librarians and extension specialists have access to high quality, relevant and timely information on research via the Internet, CD-ROM and external hard disk.

WORKSHOP VENUE

The venue of the workshop is Jimma University (JU), Ethiopia. Further information on the venue logistics will be communicated to all confirmed participants at a later date.

COURSE CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The workshop will be conducted over 3 days (13-15 August, 2013). The course will comprise lectures delivered in a classroom setting, hands-on exercises and group work. Some of the exercises will involve accessing relevant live websites and portals on the Internet and others will be conducted offline. Each participant will have access to a computer during the practical exercises.

PARTICIPATION

The course is open to librarians, researchers, graduate students and academic staff from Jimma University and its consortium members. The language of instruction is English. It is assumed that all participants have a basic computers skills and the use of the Internet. No basic computer modules will be covered during the training.

FUNDING AND FINANCE

This course is supported and funded by Cornell University’s Albert R. Mann Library and run by ITOCA. The sponsorship for successful applicants will cover the cost of registration, light refreshments and lunches for each participant.
Please, take note of the following:

1. Local and in-country transportation to and from the course venue as well as accommodation costs (if any) will be borne by the participants/nominating institutions.
2. During the course, lunch and teas will be served for all. No reimbursement will be paid for any meals that are missed.
3. There will be no honorarium or “sitting allowance” paid to any participant at the Workshop.
4. Those who have previously participated in earlier Workshops should not apply.

Only thirty (30) participants will be invited to attend the Workshop. Therefore we would appreciate if you respond quickly as the available slots will be filled on first-come-first-served basis. An Application Form is included in this Announcement. Completed application forms with signed authorization should reach the Workshop Coordinator by July 31, 2013.

ORGANIZERS

The workshop is organized by ITOCA in collaboration with A. Mann Library at Cornell University. The Workshop Coordinator will be happy to answer any questions about the workshop or participant attendance.

WORKSHOP CURRICULUM

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| Day 2 Advanced Training in Using AGORA/TEEAL | |
| Session 8 How to use AGORA | Hands-on exercises |
| Session 9 Cab Abstracts | Presentation and hands-on exercises |
| Session 10 How to use TEEAL (The Essential Electronic Agricultural Library) | Presentation and hands-on exercises |
| Session 11 How to use PROTABASE | Presentation and hands-on exercises |
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ITOCA Workshop Application Form

TEEAL- RESEARCH4LIFE PROGRAMS TOT WORKSHOP (August 13 - 15, 2013); Venue: Jimma University

Participant's Personal Particulars

Family name: _________________________________________________________________

First name ___________________________________Gender: (Male or Female) _________

Title: (Prof/Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss): ______________________________________________

Job Title: __________________________________________________________________

Institution/Organization: _________________________________________________________

Postal address: ________________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________ E-mail: _____________________________________________

Information literacy skills

On a scale of 1-10 (1 is low and 10 is high), how would you rate your skills and confidence in the following?
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What would you like to achieve during the ITOCA ToT E-resources workshop?

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Signature------------------------------------------Date:---------------------------
PARTICIPATING INSTITUTION AUTHORIZATION

(Must be attached to the Application Form)

Please sign below to confirm that your organization authorizes the named applicant to attend the TEEAL and AGORA Ethiopia Workshop-2013 and will fully fund the participant’s travel and accommodation expenses to and from the venue of the workshop.

Name of Institution: _________________________________________________________

Name of Authorizing Officer _________________________________________________

Signature of Authorizing Officer_______________________________________________

Designation of Authorizing Officer _____________________________________________

Institution Stamp: _______________________________________________________

Date:_____________

Please return the application to the email address below by July 31, 2013

TEEAL-RESEARCH4LIFE PROGRAMS TOT WORKSHOP COORDINATORS

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