



**SOILS 2006
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Please mark your choices:

- I wish to attend the conference
 I wish to present an oral paper
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 Please book accommodation for single/
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Title of my oral/poster paper (please attach extended abstract):

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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



**SOILS
2006**

**STRATEGIES FOR
ENHANCED SOIL AND CROP
QUALITY**

April 18-20, 2006

Kuantan, Pahang Darul Makmur

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INTRODUCTION

The Malaysian Society of Soil Science (MSSS) will hold Soils 2006, the annual soil science conference, in conjunction with its annual general meeting on **April 18-20, 2006** in **Kuantan, Pahang**.

Soil is an important resource because it serves as the production base in most agricultural systems. Long-term sustainability of our soil resources requires a better understanding of how various soil and crop management strategies affect productivity and environmental endpoints. Soil quality affects crop quality, which in turn impacts animal and human health.

The Malaysian agriculture paradigm is changing due to evolving technologies and emerging issues. Relatively new farming approaches such as precision agriculture, controlled-environment agriculture, and agrobiotechnology are altering the way we manage our soils and crops. Issues such as food security, food safety, biodiversity and land carrying capacity are having a greater influence on policy development. Taken together, we are being faced by an urgent need to repackage our research and advocacy direction.

This conference will provide opportunities for agricultural stakeholders such as soil scientists, agronomists, planters and agrobased entrepreneurs to share knowledge and ideas, to identify and update emerging issues, and to network with one another in an effort to improve soil and crop quality.

CALL FOR PAPERS

We invite oral and poster papers in the following fields:

- Soil chemistry
- Soil physics
- Soil microbiology & biochemistry
- Soil conservation & management
- Soil fertility and plant nutrition
- Soil genesis & classification
- Land use & management
- Land/soil information system
- Site-specific soil/crop management
- New techniques for soil/crop improvement
- Soil remediation and reclamation
- Soils in urban ecosystems

For those interested in presenting a paper, kindly submit an Extended Abstract (EA) not exceeding 4 pages in soft-copy format before **February 28, 2006**. The EA should include title, name and address of author(s), introduction, methodology, summary of findings, conclusion, and references, all within a word count of 300-400. The EA should be prepared using Microsoft Word with the following specifications: A4-size paper (25 mm margins on all sides), single-spaced typeface, and Arial font (size 11). Illustrations (graph, table, plate) must be prepared outside the main body of text. Posters will be accepted for display in A1 size (594 x 841 mm; 24 x 33 in). At the time of submission, all EAs must be camera-ready.

Suitable papers from the conference will be considered for publication in the Malaysian Journal of Soil Science (MJSS). There will also be a 'Best Poster Award' competition.

CONFERENCE VENUE

Soils 2006 will be held at one of the beachside hotels in Kuantan, Pahang Darul Makmur. Accommodation details are being finalized and will be made available on our website (<http://www.e-msss.com/soils2006>).

POST-CONFERENCE TOUR

We are planning a day trip to the Felda settlement in Jengka. Further details will be made available on our website (<http://www.e-msss.com/soils2006>).

CONFERENCE FEE

MSSS Members	RM 500
Non-MSSS Members	RM 550
Students	RM 200

The above fee includes conference materials, lunch and refreshments only. Additional payment will be required for hotel accommodation, annual dinner, post-conference tour, and exhibition of products and/or scientific equipments.

All payments should be made in the form of a crossed check or money order payable to the:
Malaysian Society of Soil Science

Conference Opening by:

YB DATO' SRI DR JAMALUDDIN MOHD JARJIS
Minister of Science, Technology & Innovation

Dinner Talk by:

YAB DATO' SRI ADNAN YAKOB
Menteri Besar Pahang

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