

# **Announcement:** 8<sup>th</sup> World Congress on Conservation Agriculture



### Introduction

The 8th World Congress on Conservation Agriculture (8WCCA) is jointly organized by the European Conservation Agriculture Federation (ECAF), and its member in Switzerland, Swiss No-till (SNT), with the support of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the African Conservation Tillage Network (ACT). It will be held in Bern, Switzerland, from 29 June to 2 July 2020.

Conservation Agriculture (CA) is recognized as an agricultural system capable of overcoming the very serious sustainability weaknesses shown by the conventional tillage-based agriculture.

CA provides a truly sustainable production system, conserving but also enhancing the natural resources, soil, water, air and biodiversity. Fields under Conservation Agriculture works as an important sink for CO2, providing a major contribution to control Greenhouse Gases emissions.

## Congress Theme

#### The Future of Farming: Profitable and Sustainable Farming with Conservation Agriculture

Aims to highlight that CA is the only ecological and regenerative agricultural model able to bring together the profitability of farmers and the environmental protection while offering ecosystem services, climate change mitigation and adaptability and satisfying the demands of civil society.



#### Sub-themes

- 1: Successful experiences and learnings from Conservation Agriculture worldwide.
- 2: Farm and ecosystem level benefits of CA systems to society and environment.
- 3: Mainstreaming of CA with national policy and institutional support and for global governance to support national and international needs and commitments.
- 4: Promoting CA-based knowledge and innovation systems and information sharing and communication.

### Program

#### Monday, 29th June:

Sessions: Opening, Farmer, Private sector, Public Sector and Civil Society Session.

Tuesday, 30th June & Wednesday, 1st July:

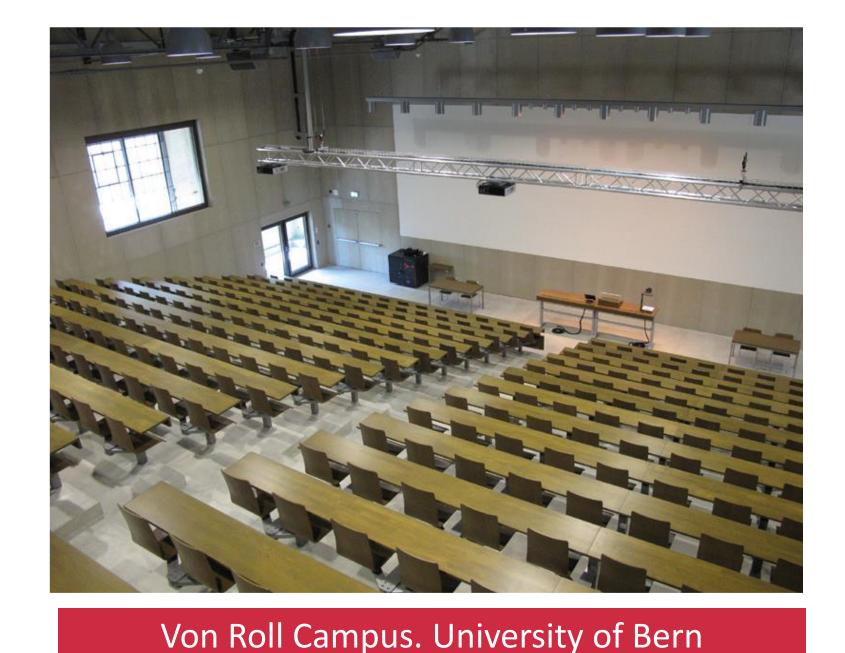
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#### **Thursday, 2nd July:**

Field Day – Visit to a CA farm.

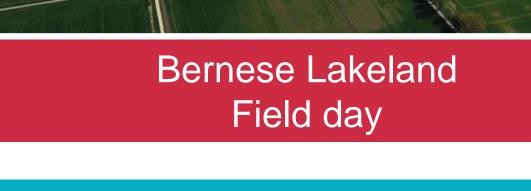
## Registration and Abstract acceptance

Now available on the 8WCCA website. www.8wcca.org



Opening sessions and Scientific sessions





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