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The First National Virtual Conference on:

Oasis Agritourism as a Strategic Bet for Sustainable Local Development

Septembre 27–28, 2026



Preamble

Tourism is a major economic sector that contributes significantly to national income and economic diversification. Agritourism has emerged as a modern tourism trend in many countries, including some Arab countries.

Agritourism integrates agriculture, tourism, environment, and cultural heritage, involving multiple stakeholders at local, national, and international levels. Sustainable agritourism positively contributes to economic, social, and environmental sustainability.

It reduces environmental impacts by promoting sustainable agricultural practices, supports local economic development through job creation and poverty reduction in rural areas, and enhances social sustainability by strengthening awareness, social cohesion, and community belonging.

How can agritourism contribute to achieving economically, socially, and environmentally sustainable local development?

Conference Objectives

1. Highlight the importance of agritourism in achieving sustainable development;
2. Preserve local cultural and social heritage and local identity through tourism;
3. Create sustainable local development by revitalizing local economic sectors;
4. Activate the role of rural women through traditional industries, local cuisine, and various cultural activities;
5. Examine the role of sustainable agritourism in preserving biological and ecological diversity;
6. Raise awareness among relevant stakeholders of the importance of sustainable agritourism in order to place it within an appropriate legal framework;
7. Review leading international models in the field of agritourism;
8. Develop the value chain of agritourism activities.

Conference Topics

1- Agritourism: Concept and Dimensions

Exploring the foundations and scope of agritourism

2- Sustainable Agritourism and Local Development

Role in economic growth and community revitalization

3- Preservation of Cultural Heritage & Biodiversity

Protecting traditions, identity, and the environment

4- Challenges & Opportunities in Sustainable Agritourism

Constraints, legal frameworks, and future prospects

Participants in the Conference

- University professors and researchers;
- Relevant local authorities and administrative bodies related to the tourism sector;
- Various stakeholders in the tourism sector;
- PhD students.
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Conditions for Participation:

- The submitted paper must not have been previously published or presented at earlier conferences or any other scientific event.
- The paper must fall within one of the conference themes.
- The paper must comply with the recognized methodology of scientific research.
- The paper must be no fewer than 15 A4 pages, including appendices and references, with the latter listed at the end of the manuscript.

- Referencing must be done automatically according to the APA style, with all references listed at the end of the paper.
 - The paper must be written in one of the following languages: Arabic, French, or English.
 - The first page of the paper must include the following information: full title of the paper, author's name, academic rank, institutional affiliation, and email address.
 - Papers must be formatted according to the conference template, using Traditional Arabic font, size 14 for Arabic papers, and Times New Roman font, size 12 for foreign languages, with 2 cm margins on all sides, 1.15 line spacing, and references in font size 11.
 - The abstract must appear on the first page in both Arabic and a foreign language, including keywords and JEL classification.
 - All submitted papers will be subject to scientific peer review.
- The number of authors per paper must not exceed three

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Important dates

- Deadline for full paper submission : **30 Mai 2026**
- Deadline for notification of acceptance and confirmation of participation : **30 jui 2026.**
- Conference dates : **27–28 septembre, 2026.**
- Papers must be written and submitted according to the official conference template, which can be downloaded by scanning the QR code.



Full papers must be submitted using the template via the following conference email address:

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