

Plant Breeding Symposium

honoring the work of Adjunct Professor Ahmed Jahoor

Save the date!

3RD OF DECEMBER 2024

The Department of Plant Breeding at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) will be hosting a special seminar to honor the contributions of Adjunct Professor Ahmed Jahoor. Prof. Jahoor has been an invaluable member of our academic community, serving as an adjunct professor for the past 12 years and making significant advancements in our field.

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

- Prof. Volker Mohler, Bayerische Landesanstalt für Landwirtschaft
- Dr. Michael Baum, ICARDA
- Dr. Jihad Orabi, Nordic Seed
- Assoc. Prof. Therése Bengtsson, SLU
- Prof. Just Jensen, Aarhus University
- Prof. Ahmed Jahoor, SLU/Nordic Seed



Ahmed Jahoor

RESEARCH BACKGROUND

Ahmed Jahoor is an esteemed scientist with a distinguished career in plant breeding and genetics. After receiving a scholarship to study at the Agricultural University of Prague, he earned a Master of Science in Agriculture, specializing in wheat resistance to stem rust. He later pursued a PhD at the Technical University of Munich, Weihenstephan, under Prof. Dr. G. Fischbeck, focusing on powdery mildew resistance in wild barley. Following his PhD, he worked at the University of Munich, where he was appointed as a Docent in 1994.

In 1998, he joined Risø National Laboratory, where he was affiliated with the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University (now Copenhagen University). At Risø, he established a research group, supervising PhD students, Postdocs, and guest scientists from various countries, and collaborating closely with private breeding companies.

In 2008, he joined Nordic Seed as the Head of Breeding and Research, where he played a key role in advancing the application of molecular techniques in breeding. Since joining Nordic Seed, he has expanded the breeding programs from spring and winter barley to include 2- and 6-row spring barley, 2- and 6-row winter barley, hybrid 6-row winter barley, winter and spring wheat, spring oats, winter rye, spring peas, field beans and lupine.

In 2012, he was appointed Adjunct Professor at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), where he was heavily involved in a nine-year Public-Private Partnership (PPP) spring barley pre-breeding project. This initiative fostered strong collaboration with breeding companies across the Nordic countries and led to significant advancements in cereal breeding.

Throughout his career, he has supervised over 10 master's students, 20 PhD students, and 8 Postdocs, and collaborated with numerous guest scientists from around the world. He has published over 250 peer-reviewed articles, with his work cited more than 6,800 times, earning an h-index of 40 and an i10 index of 80.

PLACE | The Craaford Hall, Sundsvägen 14, SLU Alnarp

TIME | 13:00 -16:30