The AZCUBA Sugar Group, the Association of Sugar Technicians of Cuba (ATAC) and the Cuban Research Institute of Sugar Cane Derivatives (ICIDCA), are pleased to invite you to the XVI International Congress on Sugar and Sugar Cane Derivatives (DIVERSIFICATION 2024), to be held at the National Hotel of Cuba, from June 24 to 28, 2024.

SCIENTIFIC EVENT
In this opportunity the event will be focused on the following topics:
- New technologies in sugar cane agriculture
- Technological advances in the sugar industry
- Agribusiness 4.0 and digital transition
- Circular economy in agroindustry, bio-refinery and diversification
- Energy from biomass and other renewable sources, biogas, bio-methane
- First and second generation ethanol
- Animal feeding
- Bio-products for agriculture
- Alcoholic beverages
- Quality and environmental management
- Environmental technologies

Papers should be sent by e-mail or delivered on magnetic support before April 15, 2024. The Scientific Committee will have until May 20, 2024 to inform the acceptance of the papers. Presentations will be in the form of lectures, oral presentations and posters, and will be duly informed by the Committee. These papers may be published according to the author's interest.

The submission should be made to:
Ing. Sara Mendoza Ferrer. Scientific Secretary
e-mail: evento@icidca.azcuba.cu

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INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS
The paper will be a short communication no longer than 4 pages (it is suggested to use the attached template), including graphs and tables. No typographical corrections will be made; papers will be published in the Congress Proceedings as submitted by the authors. The official languages will be Spanish and English.

The file will be a Word document. It will be named with the first author’s last name. Example: Cruz. doc.

Size pages: Letter with top and bottom margins: 2.5 cm right and left: 2.3 cm.

Font: Times New Roman, 11 point. Single spacing

The title (in Spanish and English) should be written with capital letters, starting from the second line of the first page, center justified. The authors' names should be placed on the second line after the title, left justified. Affiliations and e-mail addresses should be written left justified on the second line after the authors.

The paper should begin with a brief abstract in Spanish and English, with a maximum of 150 words and should reflect the most important results. This should be followed by 3 to 5 key words (in Spanish and English respectively) that identify the content of the paper.
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The text should include the sections of: Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results and Discussion, Conclusions and References and should be left one line before and one after the title of each section.

Tables should be inserted in the text and numbered consecutively with Roman numerals and with the title centered at the top of the tables. Figures should be also inserted in the text and will be numbered consecutively with Arabic numerals and with the title centered at the bottom of them. They should also be submitted in a separate file in jpg format, following the order of appearance in the paper.

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Main responsibility. Name of the computer program (software). [Type of support] Version. Place of publication: year. The types of support may be the following: online, CD-ROM, e-mail, DVD and video recording. The availability and access shall refer to information that identifies and allows locating the consulted document as well as the web address for its location (e.g. http//...).

In case of the document has more than three authors, only the first author will be cited and the abbreviation et al. will be used.

BUSINESS FORUM

In the BUSINESS FORUM, the Portfolio of Opportunities for foreign investment in the sugar sector will be presented and business meetings will be organized.
SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

Interested participants should contact:
MSc. Bárbara González  Business Director.
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COMMERCIAL PRESENTATIONS
There will also be the possibility of commercial presentations, where companies can promote their products, services and technologies related to the topics of the event and will last 30 minutes. If your company is interested in this modality, you may send it to:
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