

# YEAR PLANNER **2021**

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# WHO WE ARE

The Avocado Society of Kenya is a registered association for growers, exporters and other Value - chain players by the Registrar of Societies (Cap. 108). Our goal is to promote efficiency of production and organized marketing towards a long-term profitability of avocado agribusiness in Kenya.

### **Vision**

To take the lead role towards a sustainable and profitable avocado agribusiness.

## **Our Mission**

To work in partnership with public and private stakeholders, provide innovative services that influence the transformation of agriculture, empower members and specifically small-holders to sustainably increase productivity in response to the market demands for improved livelihoods.

### **How We Work**

We assist our growers to achieve their highest crop production potential in both quality and quantity. We link growers and exporters of the avocado to ethical buyers locally and abroad. We train our members on Good Agricultural Practices and help them set systems to be compliant with local and global standards. We guide on the establishment of orchards by ensuring that nurseries produce certified trueto- the- type disease free seedlings.

We offer right extension advice alongside credible input suppliers and other service providers. We supply and retail farm inputs and equipment in partnership with the manufacturers globally. We provide business networking opportunities for our members. We also lobby government and stakeholders to that which is good for the value - chain to thrive.

We participate and organize local and international kindred events such as county farmers' field days and exhibit on International Trade fairs on avocado themed events. We are an active member of the World Avocado Congress Committee – WACC and core - share membership with major avocado producing countries. We participate in policy chain drive. We have embarked on promoting the brand "Avocados from Kenya, Delicious Naturally" in the international market as a mark of product quality, ethical business practices and authentic Kenyan avocado heritage.

| MONTHS   | EVENTS  | TARGET PARTICIPANTS  |
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| JANUARY  | <ul> <li>Avocados Post-Harvest Handling &amp; Shipping, 15<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>Food Safety Standards Training (GLOBALGAP, GRASP, SMETA), 22<sup>ND</sup></li> <li>ASOK AVOCADO PROTOCOL, 29<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>   | <ul><li> Growers</li><li> Exporters</li><li> Value Chain Players</li><li> Government Agencies</li></ul>  |
| FEBRUARY | <ul> <li>Avocado agribusiness training and Farm Tour, 5<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>South African Avocado research symposium (Virtual), 17<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>The Avocado Farming Handbook Launch ,19<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>GULF FOOD -Dubai, 21<sup>ST</sup> - 25<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Growers</li> <li>Extension Agents</li> <li>Input Suppliers</li> <li>Development Partners</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul> |
| MARCH    | <ul> <li>KS1758/GLOBAL GAP Training, 12<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>Nakuru Farmers' Day, 26<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Growers</li> <li>Extension Agents</li> <li>Input Suppliers</li> <li>Development Partners</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul> |

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| APRIL     | <ul> <li>Kenya Avocado Festival &amp; Awards 2019/2020, 9<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>Meru Farmers Day, 23<sup>RD</sup></li> <li>Food Safety Standards Training (USDA ORGANIC, RAINFOREST), 30<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul> | <ul> <li>General Public</li> <li>Avocado Retailers</li> <li>Hotels and Eateries</li> <li>Development Partners</li> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul> |
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| MAY       | <ul> <li>Avocado Agribusiness Training and Farm Tour, 7<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>Kirinyaga Farmers' Day, 28<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>FRUIT LOGISTICA, Berlin, 18<sup>TH</sup> - 20<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>             | <ul> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Farmers</li> <li>Extension Agents</li> <li>Input Suppliers</li> <li>Development Partners</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul>             |
| JUNE      | INTERNATIONAL AFRICA AVOCADO CONGRESS,<br>23RD - 25TH NAIROBI, KENYA<br>www.avocadoafrica.com  | <ul> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Farmers</li> <li>Extension Agents</li> <li>Input Suppliers</li> <li>Development Agencies</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul>             |
| JULY      | <ul> <li>Nyeri Farmers' day, 9<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>SOUTH AFRICA INTERNATIONAL TOUR, 19<sup>TH</sup> - 23<sup>RD</sup></li> <li>Machakos/Makueni Farmers', 30<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>                           | <ul> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Farmers</li> <li>Extension Agents</li> <li>Input Suppliers</li> <li>Development Partners</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul>             |
| AUGUST    | <ul> <li>Kisii Farmers' Day, 13<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>Bomet Farmers' Day, 27<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Farmers</li> <li>Extension Agents</li> <li>Input Suppliers</li> <li>Development Partners</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul>             |
| SEPTEMBER | <ul> <li>Uasin Gishu Famers' Day, 10<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>WORLD FOOD MOSCOW, 21<sup>TH</sup> - 24<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>Western Kenya Farmers' Day - Kitale, 24<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>                         | <ul> <li>Exporters</li> <li>Farmers</li> <li>Extension Agents</li> <li>Input Suppliers</li> <li>Development Partners</li> <li>Government Agencies</li> </ul>             |
| OCTOBER   | <ul> <li>Avocado Agribusiness Training and Farm Tour,<br/>8<sup>TH</sup> - 9<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>ISRAEL INTERNATIONAL FARM TOUR, 26<sup>TH</sup> - 29<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>                                  | <ul><li>Exporters</li><li>Farmers</li><li>Extension Agents</li><li>Input Suppliers</li></ul>   |
| NOVEMBER  | <ul> <li>Food Safety Standards Training (KS1748,<br/>GLOBALGAP, GRASP, SMETA), 19<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>  | <ul><li>Exporters</li><li>Farmers</li><li>Extension Agents</li><li>Input Suppliers</li></ul>   |
| DECEMBER  | <ul> <li>Avocado Agribusiness Training and Farm Tour,<br/>10<sup>TH</sup></li> <li>Annual General Meeting (AGM), 17<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>  | <ul><li>Exporters</li><li>Registered Members</li></ul>   |

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL BE OBSERVED IN ALL THE PUBLIC EVENTS.

