

Exploring New Opportunities and Strategic Alternatives to Inform African Agricultural Development, Planning and Policy

Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System (ReSAKSS) Africawide Conference

UN Economic Commission for Africa Headquarters, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 23-24 November 2009

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Time	Activity/Agenda Item	Presenter	Chairperson
Day One			
8:30 – 9:00	Registration		
9:00 - 9:45	<p>Official Opening Master of Ceremonies Opening Statements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ His Excellency Abdoulie Janneh, United Nations Under Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) ▪ Her Excellency Rhoda Tumesime Commissioner for Rural Economy & Agriculture, African Union Commission ▪ Richard Mkandawire, Agriculture Advisor, NEPAD and Head, Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) ▪ Representative from the donors ▪ David Nabarro, United Nations Assistant Secretary General and Coordinator for Avian and Pandemic Influenza and the Global Food Crisis ▪ Joachim Von Braun, Director General, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) 		

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9:45 – 10:15	Introduction to Conference and review of agenda Discussion on “What is ReSAKSS”	Babatunde Omilola, Coordinator, Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System (ReSAKSS), International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)	
Theme 1: Taking Stock: Agricultural Performance, Public Spending, Growth and Poverty Reduction Trends			
10:15 – 10:45	Keynote Presentation – Strategies and options for improving agricultural performance – growth and investment options, efficient and effective allocation of resources	Shenggen Fan, Director of Development Strategy and Governance Division, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)	Richard Mkandawire, Agriculture Advisor, NEPAD and Head, Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break		
11:15 – 12:30	Panel Discussion: Overview of Agricultural Performance in African regions -- how far are African regions from the CAADP and MDG targets? What is the status of public investment for agriculture by region?	Each ReSAKSS Coordinator will give status of respective region for 15 min/each: Pius Chilonda, ReSAKSS-Southern Africa; Mbaye Yade, ReSAKSS-West Africa; Joseph Karugia, ReSAKSS-East and Central Africa; and Babatunde Omilola, ReSAKSS-Africa Wide.	Richard Mkandawire, Agriculture Advisor, NEPAD and Head, Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)
12:30 – 1:00	Q&A and Discussion		Rapporteur
1:00 – 2:15	LUNCH		
Theme 2: Strategies and Options for Improving Agricultural Performance			
2:15 - 3:45	Panel Discussion: speakers from CAADP Pillars (15-minute presentation followed by 5-10 minute overview of key issues by an expert commentator on each topic) Presentation 1: How to promote growth, poverty reduction and climate change adaptation through land and water management? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commentator: Hilmy Sally, International Water Management Institute (IWMI) Presentation 2: Promoting smallholder market	Presenter 1: Elijah Phiri, Facilitator of CAADP Pillar I and Lecturer, University of Zambia	Sam Kanyarukiga, CAADP Overall Coordinator, Common Market of Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)

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	<p>access and the modernization of regional marketing systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commentator 1: Suffyan Koroma, Economist, Trade and Commodities Division, FAO • Commentator 2: Christa van Louw, Executive Chairperson of Intshona Agricultural Products (Pty) Ltd. <p>Presentation 3: Prospects for social protection of the most vulnerable populations in the face of increasing global volatility (financial and food crises, climate change, increasing population, etc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commentator: Stephen Mink, World Bank 	<p>Presenter 2: Baba Dioum, Facilitator of CAADP Pillar II and Head, Conference of Ministers of Agriculture of West and Central Africa (CMA/AOC)</p> <p>Presenter 3: Sheryl Hendricks, Facilitator of CAADP Pillar III and Professor of Food Security, University of KwaZulu Natal</p>	
3:45 - 4:15	Coffee Break		
4:15 – 5:30	<p>Presentation 4: What are the best methods of utilizing agriculture research for poverty reduction and economic growth?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commentator: Nienke Beintema, Head of ASTI, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) <p>Presentation 5: Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) strategy for CAADP implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commentator: Tobias Takavarasha, Director of Strategy, Monitoring and Evaluation, Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA) 	<p>Presenter 4: Monty Jones, Facilitator of CAADP Pillar IV and Executive Director of Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA)</p> <p>Presenter 5: Samuel Benin, Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)</p>	<p>Sam Kanyarukiga, CAADP Overall Coordinator, Common Market of Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)</p>
5:30 – 6:15	Q&A and open discussion		Rapporteur
7:00	Conference Reception		

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12:00 – 12:30	Q&A and open discussion		Rapporteur
12:30 – 2:00	Lunch		
2:00 – 3:30	Panel 4: The future role of ReSAKSS in informing African agriculture development, planning and policy	Panelists: Kwadwo Asenso-Okyere, KCID Director, IFPRI; Martin Bwalya, NEPAD; Janet Edeme, AU; Ishmael Sunga, Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU); Cris Muyunda, ACTESA; Ousmane Badiane, IFPRI; Isaac Minde, IWMI/ICRISAT; Michael Johnson, IFPRI	Mafa Chipeta, FAO Sub-regional Coordinator for Eastern Africa and FAO Representative to the African Union and the UN Economic Commission for Africa
3:30 – 4:00	Coffee Break		
4:00 – 4:30	Q&A and open discussion		
4:30 – 4:45	Wrap-up and final remarks		
4:45 – 5:45	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative from the donors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ David Nabarro, Coordination for Avian and Pandemic Influenza and the Global Food Crisis Assistant Secretary General, United Nations • Joachim Von Braun, Director General, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Richard Mkandawire, Agriculture Advisor, NEPAD and Head, Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) ▪ Her Excellency Rhoda Tumesime Commissioner for Rural Economy & Agriculture, African Union ▪ His Excellency Abdoulie Janneh, United Nations Under Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) 		
5:45	Conference closes		