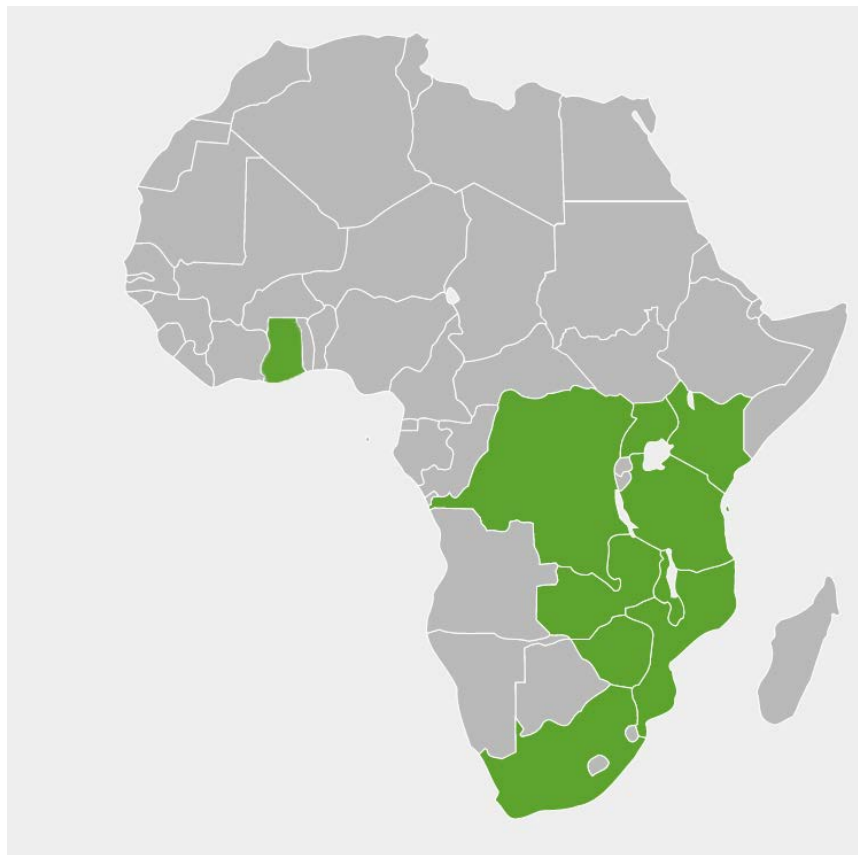


PROGRAMME



6TH ANNUAL RENAPRI STAKEHOLDER CONFERENCE

Journey to Self-Reliance: unlocking the potential of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement



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CONCEPT NOTE

Introduction

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1. Boost Intra-African trade by at least 52% (UNECA) through the reduction of import duties and improved harmonization of trade liberalization and facilitation instruments across the REC's;
2. Increase the competitiveness of African industry by providing opportunities for scale production, continental market access and improved resource allocation (TRALAC, 2019); and
3. Meet the growing food demand, which is projected to reach USD 1 Trillion by 2030 (AfDB, 2018).

However, if Africa is to realize this potential, there are challenges that will need to be addressed. Coherent domestic marketing and trade policies are needed to encourage the required private investments in agricultural commodity value chains that will achieve sustainable productivity growth. In the face of these challenges, valid questions arise as to whether or not the transformation narrative on the continent will falter (Fioramonti, 2017). To ensure sustainable transformation will require committed and innovative leadership, transparent accountability; and evidence that will allow for accurate measurement of progress.

To find solutions to these challenges, ReNAPRI's 6th Annual Stakeholder Conference will engage a diverse group of highly informed stakeholders committed to unlocking the region's agricultural potential. The sessions will be geared to identify effective policies and innovative public and private sector investments which will open markets and facilitate broad-based growth.

Conference Theme

The overarching theme of the 6th Annual ReNAPRI Stakeholder Conference is; ***"Journey to Self-Reliance: unlocking the potential of the African Free Trade Area"***.

Conference Objectives

The purpose of the conference is to create a platform for strategic dialogue and evidence-based guidance within the context of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement. Our premise is that an evidence-based understanding of agricultural marketing and trade policy impacts can assist African governments, private firms and civil society groups to anticipate and effectively respond proactively to the emerging challenges in the region.

The key objectives of the 6th Annual ReNAPRI Stakeholders' Conference is to:

1. Unpack the potential impact of the AfCFTA on the agri-food system and identify concrete policy-action to ensure its success;
2. Outline strategy for prioritizing targeted public investment that facilitates scale production within key value-chains;
3. Develop a 5-point agenda on expanding sustainable production to meet the regions' growing food demand;
4. Enhance engagement of African parliamentarians and government officials on issues pertaining to regional trade; and
5. Assess the operational feasibility of alternative policy options by clearly identifying concrete strategies that address the challenges to trade – i.e. focusing on the "how" questions.

Our Approach

The ReNAPRI conference will be held over a day-and-half period and will comprise the following activities;

- Keynote Presentations that highlights and prioritizes the key challenges on trade, national investment strategies, and sustainable agricultural production;
- Panel Discussions including industry experts/stakeholders and government officials, charged with identifying concrete strategies that address the challenges and unlocks the regions agricultural potential under AfCFTA;
- Interactive Dialogue on how best varying stakeholders can support intra-regional efforts at local, national and regional levels.

Participants

Conference participants include a range of stakeholders actively engaged in the African Agricultural sector. These include:

- Regional Economic Community and relevant government ministries' representatives
- Farmer organizations
- Private sector organizations and companies
- Academics
- Development think tanks
- Research organizations (national and international)
- Development agencies and donor community

Expected Outcomes

- Greater awareness of the challenges to unlocking the potential of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement and effective ways to address these challenges
- Identifying approaches for implementing programs that effectively address these challenges – the practical “how” questions.
- Linkages and new partnership opportunities among the various stakeholders

Planning/Organizing Committees

The planning and organization for this conference is coordinated by the ReNAPRI Secretariat and the host ReNAPRI institution, the School of Agricultural Science, Department of Agribusiness and Natural Resources at Makerere University.

Finance and Technical Support

Financial and Technical support for the conference is provided by key partners including, University of Pretoria – Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Michigan State University, Bureau of Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP), Indaba Agricultural Policy Research Institute (IAPRI) and the Alliance for African Partnership at Michigan State University.

PROGRAMME-AT-A-GLANCE

Wednesday, November 20th

07h30 – 08h30	<i>Registration</i>
08h30 – 10h00	Opening Remarks and Welcome
10h00 – 10h30	Session 1: ReNAPRI Going Beyond the Platitudes
10h30 – 11h00	Tea & Coffee Break
11h00 – 13h00	Session 2: The African Continental Free Trade Agreement – Opportunities, threats and challenges
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch
14h00 – 16h00	Session 3: Prioritizing & Targeting Public Investments along key value-chains – examples of Tanzania & Kenya
16h00 – 16h30	Tea & Coffee Break
16h30 – 17h00	Closing Day 1: Insights and Lessons Learned
18h30 – 23h00	Gala Dinner

Thursday, November 21st

08h00 – 08h30	<i>Registration</i>
08h30 – 09h00	Overview and Context of Day 2
09h00 – 10h30	Session 4A: Toward Building the Agenda for Abuja 2 Fertilizer Summit
10h30 – 11h00	Tea & Coffee Break
11h00 – 12h30	Session 4B: Toward Building the Agenda for Abuja 2 Fertilizer Summit
12h30 – 13h00	Session 5: Recap, Way Forward & Closing Remarks
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch



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Opening Remarks and Welcome

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Prof. Emílio Tostão

Chairman, Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI)
Director: Research Center for Agriculture Policy and Agri-systems (CEPPAG)
Eduardo Mondlane University, Mozambique (ReNAPRI)

Hon. Vincent Bamulangaki Ssempijja

Minister: Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries, Uganda

Hon. Amelia Kyambadde

Minister: Trade Industry and Cooperatives, Uganda

Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe

Vice-Chancellor, Makerere University, Uganda

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10:00 – 10:30

Session 1: ReNAPRI - Going beyond the Platitudes

Lulama Ndibongo Traub

Technical Chair: Bureau of Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP), (ReNAPRI)

10:30 – 11:00

Tea & Coffee Break

Roof Top 3

Wednesday, November 20th

11:00 – 13:00

Session 2: The African Continental Free Trade Agreement – Opportunities, threats and challenges

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In this session, private sector representatives, involved at various stages of the Agri-food system, will give brief presentations on the opportunities and/or challenges for their businesses under the AfCFTA. Each presenter will then identify one concrete policy action that could either facilitate their ability to leverage the identified opportunities or mitigate the potential challenges.

The panel of government representatives, operating at various levels of government (i.e. local, national, and regional) will be asked to respond to the points raised by the private sector. Specifically, each panelist will identify:

1. **How** in their capacity are they preparing for the AfCFTA?
2. **What** strategies/approaches are available to government to effectively address the identified factor/issue?
3. **How** can ReNAPRI support in the decision-making process?

Moderator:

Gerald Masila

CEO: East African Grain Council (EAGC)

Private Sector Presentations:

Wandile Sihlobo

Head of Agribusiness Research, Agricultural Business Chamber (Agbiz), South Africa

Alex Ariho

CEO: African Agribusiness Incubators Network (AAIN)

Margaret Asekenye

Head: Agriculture Uganda Division, Barclays Africa

Andrew Karani

Founder: MyCargo Limited, Nairobi Kenya

Carlson Kimkung

Commodity Trader: Export Trading Group - Farmers Foundation

Wednesday, November 20th

Panel:



Jean Baptiste Havugimana

Director Productive Sectors, EAC Secretariat

Mr. Jean Baptiste Havugimana is Director of Productive Sectors at EAC Secretariat since June 2015. He has over 23 years of experience as a Macroeconomic Policy Formulation, Analysis and Implementation Expert. Before joining EAC he worked for more than eight years for the Macroeconomic and Financial Management Institute of Eastern and Southern Africa (MEFMI) as a Programme Manager where he handled issues of capacity building and technical assistance in macroeconomic policy design, analysis and management, research methodology and statistics and natural resources management.



Hon. Amelia Anne Kyambadde

Cabinet Minister of Trade, Industry and Cooperatives: Kampala, Uganda

The Honorable Amelia Anne Kyambadde started working in the Ugandan Civil Service in 1979, at the age of twenty-four. She rose to the rank of Principal Private Secretary (PPS) of the President of Uganda. In 2010, she voluntarily resigned as the President's PPS, to run a successful bid to become a member of Parliament. On 27 March 2011, she was appointed Minister for Trade & Industry. On 6 June 2016, she was named Cabinet Minister of Trade, Industry and Cooperatives. She is the Patron and Founder of Twezimbe Development Foundation (TDF), a community-based, non-governmental, organization formed to improve the living conditions of the people of her parliamentary constituency.



Hon. Jacqueline Amongin

Member of Parliament, Uganda

Chairperson, Pan-African Parliamentarian, Committee on Rural Economy, Agriculture, Natural Resources & Environment

The Honorable Jacqueline Amongin is an MP from Uganda and serves on the Pan-African Parliament. She is the Chairperson of the Pan-African Parliamentarian Committee on Rural Economy, Agriculture, Natural Resources & Environment and the first Vice-President for the Pan-African Parliamentary Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition (PAPA-FSN). In these roles, she advocates for governments to invest more in agriculture and remove barriers to women land-ownership. Ms. Amongin is also the chairperson and founder of the Jacqueline Amongin Development Foundation (JADEF). She received the 2017 Mandela Women Leadership Prize for her work in promoting good governance and development in Africa.



Hon. Adan Haji Yussuf

Member of Parliament. Departmental Committee on Agriculture & Livestock, Kenya

The Honorable Adan Haji Yussuf has been a Member of the Kenya Parliament since 2017. Before serving in Parliament, Mr. Yussuf demonstrated a strong career in development work. He worked at Pact, Inc., an international nonprofit that works to address issues of poverty and marginalization of vulnerable populations. Before his time with Pact, Mr. Yusuf was the Director of Programs Development Alternative, a group of organizations committed to testing and creating new forms of development that are truly led by young people and their communities. Prior to this, he worked as the Regional Coordinator for Practical Action, an organization that helped communities find practical, lasting solutions to lift people out of poverty while safeguarding the planet.



Hon. Chido Madiwa

Member of Parliament, Chairperson: Women and Gender Portfolio Committee, Zimbabwe

The Honorable Chido Madiwa has worked as a lecturer at Mutare Polytechnic, the Gender Principal Officer and Head of Department in Manicaland under various ministries of government. She is the current Provincial Development Officer and former Director of Gender in the Ministry of Women Affairs, Gender and Community Development (MWAGCD) Manicaland Province. She has a Master of Arts in Public Policy and Governance; and a Master of Arts in Applied Community Change and Conservation.

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Hon. Noko Masipa

Member of Parliament: Committee on Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, South Africa



Hon. Max Bweupe Ng'onga

Chair: Agriculture and Lands Committee, Zambia

Hon. Ng'onga first became an MP of the Zambia Parliament in 2011. He has served on the Parliamentarian Agriculture and Lands Committee since October 2016. Before becoming an MP, Hon. Ng'onga was an agriculturalist by trade, receiving his BSc in Agriculture.



Ms. Joyene Isaacs

Head of Department: Western Cape Department of Agriculture, South Africa

As the Head of the Department for Western Cape Department of Agriculture, South Africa, Joyene Isaacs manages over 1,000 employees in twenty offices across the Western Cape Province. She has more than two decades of experience within agricultural development, working in government, NGOs and the private sector. Her department utilizes an innovative approach to government engagement, including in-house research on the effects of climate change on farmlands, recruiting farm mentors to support smallholder farmers, appointing social workers to help farmers and agri-workers mediate conflict, and digital mapping 100% of their province.



Eduarda Mungoi

Assistant to the Ministry of Industry & Trade, Mozambique

As a food scientist and food safety expert, Dr. Mungoi has worked to address malnutrition in Mozambique by being involved in projects to help the people of Mozambique better understand the importance of food fortification. Dr. Mungoi's projects include ensuring adequate monitoring and evaluation of food fortification programs, in order to report on the outcomes and impact for the interventions.

Open Floor Discussion

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

Chapter 2 Restaurant

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14:00 – 16:00

Session 3: Prioritizing & Targeting Public Investments along key value-chains – examples of Tanzania & Kenya

Roof Top 3

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However, if Africa is to realize this potential, there are challenges that will need to be addressed. Specifically, actionable policies and fiscally-sound public investments needed to encourage the required private investments in agricultural commodity value chains. This session presents an innovative approach to identifying and prioritizing policies and public investments along key value-chains.

Moderator:

Ferdi Meyer

Managing Director: Bureau of Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP), (ReNAPRI)

Keynote Presentations:

Lilian Kirimi

Research Director, Tegemeo Institute (ReNAPRI)

Zena Mpenda

Research Director, Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA), (ReNAPRI)

Tracy Davids

Managers, Markets Division: Bureau of Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP), (ReNAPRI)

Panel:



Daniel Njiwa

Head: Regional Food Trade & Resilience, Policy & State Capability Division, AGRA

Prior to joining AGRA, Mr. Njiwa played leadership roles in the formulation and implementation of country and regional CAADP investment programs and agriculture trade related projects in over 12 countries of the Eastern and Southern Africa sub- region. A Malawian national, Daniel Njiwa brings over 17 years' experience working and collaborating with key Regional Economic Communities such as COMESA, EAC, SADC and donor agencies such as UKAID, EU, and the World Bank. His recent experience implementing the Food Trade for East and Southern Africa program and the Regional Food Security and Risk Management project has shaped Mr. Njiwa into one of the leading practitioners of inclusive growth and development through agriculture trade in the region.

Lucy Njenga

Director of Policy, Ministry of Agriculture, Kenya

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Holger Matthey

Team Leader: Medium-term Outlook and Market Analysis Team of the Trade and Markets Division at the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) of the United Nations

Holger Matthey works as Economist at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). He leads the Medium-term Outlook and Market Analysis Team of the Trade and Markets Division which produces the annual OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook and studies the impact of emerging issues on global and domestic agricultural commodity markets. Prior to joining FAO, he was an Associate Scientist at the Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI) at Iowa State University conducting domestic and international policy analysis. He started his career in agribusiness in former East Germany developing business plans for the restructuring of large collective farms. Holger holds a Ph.D. in agricultural economics from the University of Nebraska (USA).

Open Floor Discussion

16:00 – 16:30

Tea & Coffee Break

16:30 – 17:00

Insights & Lessons Learned

Gabriel Elepu

Department Head: Department of Agribusiness and Natural Resources, Makerere University, (ReNAPRI)

19:00 – 23:00

Gala Dinner

Skyz Deck

19:00 – 19:30

Welcome Drinks

19:30 – 20h00

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- University of Pretoria
- USAID
- Michigan State University
- Bureau of Food and Agricultural Policy
- Indaba Agricultural Policy Research Institute
- Makerere University

20h00 – 22h00

Starters & Live Entertainment



Thursday, November 21st

08:00 – 08:30

Registration

Guest Relations Desk in the reception area of the hotel

08:30 – 09:00

Opening of Day 2

Roof Top 3

Thabbie Chilongo

Director: CARD, LUANAR, Malawi (ReNAPRI)

09:00 – 10:30

Session 4A: Toward Building the Agenda for Abuja II Fertilizer Summit

The continent's demand for food (cereals) is projected to more than double by 2050 relative to the 2010 demand. This becomes particularly important when the problem of increasing population is coupled with the challenge of adverse climate change. The AfCFTA provides the opportunity for scale production and continental market access in the agricultural value chains (input and produce markets). However, the realization of this potential is dependent on productivity growth in primary agriculture. Thus, increased productivity realized through improved access to fertilizer will position the African agri-food system to meet the continent's projected food demand.

Given this context, during the 2019 African Green Revolution meeting in Accra, Ghana DREA convened a meeting to discuss plans for the Abuja 2 fertilizer summit. The meeting acknowledged that over the past 13 years since the first Abuja Fertilizer Summit, the fertilizer landscape in Africa has changed rapidly. In the wake of the changing agri-food systems, characterized by increasingly globalized markets, rapid population growth, shifting employment patterns, climate change, and the rise of commercialized emergent African farmers the fertilizer landscape also has changed dramatically. New science on the transformation of African agriculture demands a shift on conversations that need to be tabled for the planned 2020 Abuja 2 Fertilizer summit.

The objectives of this side event are (1) identify new body of knowledge in the changing global and African Fertilizer markets; (2) identify existing fertilizer intervention challenges and opportunities, including successful interventions in support of smallholder farmers in Africa; (3) identify opportunities for building a coalition of African and international support for Abuja 2 Fertilizer Summit; and (4) Commence a process of preparing Abuja 2 Fertilizer Summit. As such the keynote speakers will highlight the main challenges and practical policy-relevant responses for addressing the challenges of sustainable agricultural productivity, intensification and resilience in Africa. The panel, composed of African lead researchers and international thought leaders working in the fertilizer, soil health, and agricultural policy, will highlight priority area's that the Abuja II Fertilizer Summit stakeholders need to address.

Moderator:

Richard Mkandawire

African Director: Alliance for African Partnership (AAP), Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (ReNAPRI)

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Keynote Presentation:

Thomas Jayne

Professor: Michigan State University, (ReNAPRI)

Panel:



Marie Claire Kalihangabo

Coordinator: Africa Fertilizer Financing Mechanism, African Development Bank

Marie Claire Kalihangabo is a professional with more than 18 years of work experience within public, international and development organizations across Africa, in the area of programs and projects management, financial management, budgeting, compliance, international relations, planning and auditing. Prior to joining the AFFM, Ms. Kalihangabo worked with the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC) in agricultural value chain development, specifically on fertilizers financing. She holds an MBA in Project Management from Maastricht School of Management.



Killian Banda

Fertilizer Policy Research Assistant: African Fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership

Killian Banda is a Policy Programs Manager at AFAP where he has managed and implemented a number of policy related projects since he joined in May 2015. He is an Agricultural Economist with experience in agricultural policy, agribusiness development, value chain management and inclusive market development. Prior to joining AFAP, Killian worked for AFRICRES as a Project Manager and Researcher where he successfully profiled Farmer Organizations in eight Sub-Saharan Africa countries. He also managed land reform projects in South Africa while working as a Business Development and Research Manager with Agridelight Training and Consulting. Killian holds a BSc (Honours) and an MSc in Agricultural Economics from the University of Zimbabwe and Pretoria respectively.



Martin van Ittersum

Professor: Wageningen University & Research

Professor Martin van Ittersum holds a PhD in Agricultural and Environmental Science from Wageningen University. He is a professor at the Plant Production Systems group of the same university. His research and teaching focus on research concepts and methods for the analysis, design and integrated assessment of agricultural systems from field to farm at both the regional and global level. He has led and is leading a large number of national and international projects dealing with global food availability, integrated assessment of agricultural systems, yield gap analysis, phosphorus scarcity, climate change and circular food systems. He has authored approximately 175 papers in international scientific journals and supervised many MSc and PhD students from all continents.



Alexander Fernando

Deputy Director East and Southern Africa: International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC)

Alexander Fernando has 18 years of experience in agribusiness, value chain development, and management consulting. Mr. Fernando previously served as IFDC Portfolio Manager for the region and as Country Representative and Chief of Party of the Agricultural Input Markets Strengthening (AIMS) project in Mozambique. Prior to joining IFDC, he worked for several development organizations including TechnoServe, DAI, ACDI/VOCA, CNFA, and Chemonics. His focus has been on value chain development in staple crops, horticulture, livestock, coffee, as well as in agricultural input markets. Mr. Fernando holds a Master of International Affairs degree from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) in New York.

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Hambulo Ngoma

Research Fellow: Indaba Agricultural Policy Research Institute (IAPRI) (ReNAPRI)

Dr. Ngoma has nearly 10 years of progressive experience in applied research, project management, business development, policy engagements and capacity development. He is an applied economist with research interests spanning the development-environment nexus. Dr. Ngoma aims to influence evidence-based policy making in Zambia and the wider Southern Africa region in his current position as Research Fellow in Climate Change and Natural Resources Management at the Indaba

Agricultural Policy Research Institute (IAPRI) and as an associate of the Department of Agricultural, Food and Resources Economics of Michigan State University. He holds a PhD in Economics from the School of Economics and Business, Norwegian University of Life Sciences, an MSc in Applied and Agricultural Economics from the University of Malawi and a BSc in Agricultural Economics from the University of Zambia.



Everlyn Musyoka

Commercial Operations Lead: Bayer Africa

Since 2018, Ms. Musyoka has been working at Bayer as the Commercial Operations Lead before becoming the Smallholder Strategy Lead Africa. Her involvement in agriscience extend beyond her professional career, and into personal interest. She is currently an executive member of the Board with Seed Trade Association of Kenya (STAK), a membership organization drawing members from various actors in the seed value chain both the public and private sector.



Augustin Wambo-Yamdjeu (TBC)

Head of CAADP: NEPAD Planning and Coordination Agency

Dr. Yamdjeu is an international agricultural-economist and rural development specialist. He works on various aspects of program design and implementation, including knowledge management, monitoring and evaluation, and coaching. He founded his own consultancy firm in 2008 specializing in the provision of advisory services in agricultural and rural development and economics. Previously, he served as an Associate Agriculture and Food Policy Expert with the UN-FAO, where he oversaw knowledge management for CAADP at the NEPAD Secretariat, with active contribution into reviewing, prioritizing and selecting programs for implementation. He holds a Ph.D. (with distinctions) in Agric Economics from the University of Paris-Sud 11, an MSc in Agricultural Economics from the National Advanced School of Agronomy (ENSA) of Montpellier, France, and a MSc. in Agricultural Engineering from the University of Dschang, Cameroon.



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Isaac Minde

Associate Director: Alliance for African Partnership, Michigan State University

Dr. Isaac Minde has worked on many aspects of agricultural development in Africa through his long-term assignments in Rwanda, Malawi, Uganda, Zimbabwe and South Africa. He has held positions in the Tanzanian government as District Agricultural Development Officer, academic staff member at the University of Dar es Salaam and served as Chair of the Agricultural Economics Department at Sokoine University of Agriculture. He has worked in the sub-regional agricultural research organization (ASARECA), and the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR)–IITA and later with ICRISAT as Principal Scientist and Head of the ICRISAT Diplomatic Mission in Zimbabwe. Isaac Minde is a distinguished fellow of the African Association of Agricultural Economists. Dr. Minde then joined Michigan State University and serves as the Deputy Director of iAGRI in Tanzania. Within iAGRI, Dr. Minde supervises long-term training and collaborative research among other activities.

Open Floor Discussion

10:30 – 11:00

Tea & Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30

Session 4B: Toward Building the Agenda for Abuja II Fertilizer Summit

The objective of these breakaway sessions is to gain practical insights on improving availability, access to and use of fertilizers across the continent. This will enable participants to share their experiences on what works under what conditions. Overall, the discussions will shape or generate lessons that would help to develop/strengthen national and regional fertilizer policies and regulatory frameworks for successful investments in fertilizer value chains, resilient production systems and increased crop productivity. Key questions center on which policies/practices work best, what are the experiences so far, what are the existing bottlenecks and what can be done.

Moderator:

Richard Mkandawire

African Director: Alliance for African Partnership (AAP), Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (ReNAPRI)

Breakaway Groups:

Group 1: Soil health and fertilizer interface debates and new research developments

Team: Ken Giller, Regis Chikowo, IFDC, Pedro, Lisa, AGRA, Chika Jidere, Isaac Minde

Guiding Question(s): What is the extent of use of integrated soil fertility approaches, what are the major barriers, and what can be done?

Group 2: Best-practice models to increase fertilizer investment and fertilizer availability

Team: Killan Banda, Joshua Ariga, Milton Ayieko, Richard Mkandawire, AAP; Marie Kalihangabo, AfDB; Evelyn Musyoka, Bayer

Guiding Question(s): PPP vs. Investor Consortia; in-country production/blending vs. imports.

Group 3: Best-practice models to increase fertilizer access and use by stallholder farmers

Team: Marie Kalihangabo, AfDB; Joshua Ariga, BMGF; Thom Jayne, MSU; Hambulo Ngoma, IAPRI; Felix Ansante, ISSER; David Mather, MSU; John Olwande

Guiding Question: FISP vs. out-grower credit schemes vs. Join venture capital



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Group 4: Promoting regional trade, continental and national manufacturing capacity

Team: Daniel Njiwa, Gerald Masila, Jackie Mkindi, Prosper Noyiragijje

Guiding Question(s): Compliance and standards/truthful labeling of fertilizer products/blends – to what extent is this a problem in Africa? What penalties exist and are they effective?

Report Back:

Hon. Jacqueline Amongin

Chairperson: Pan-African Parliamentarian, Committee on Rural Economy, Agriculture, Natural Resources Environment

12:30 – 13:00

Session 5: Recap, Way Forward & Closing Remarks

Jackline Wabbi

Research Director: Department of Agribusiness and Natural Resource Economics, Makerere University, (ReNAPRI)

Vincent Amanor-Boadu

Professor: Kansas State University

Hon. Amelia Kyambadde [TBC]

Minister: Trade Industry and Cooperatives, Uganda

Miltone Ayieko

Vice-Chair: Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI)

Director: Tegemeo Institute

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

Chapter 2 Restaurant