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Lead. Measure. Grow

Pathways to Turn Smallholder Farmers into Sustainable Agribusiness

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How will HE @WilliamsRuto lead? By making it easier for Africans to trade with each other rather than with the rest of the world, by removing barriers at borders, by adding value to our products and consume the MADE in AFRICA we all aspire to! Eloquent! **#HowWillYouLead #AGRF2018**

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Trade is a driver of growth, but when it is trade in agriculture, it is more inclusive, bottom-up, growth. @SongweVera **#AGRF2018 #HowWillYouLead**

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Main Highlights

AGRF 2018 – Leaving a vital legacy for African agriculture
Today marks the end of what Dr. Agnes Kalibata called "the biggest and best AGRF ever". Over the last four days, industry leaders, heads of state, policy makers, delegates, farmers and agripreneurs came together to discuss and commit to programs, investments, and policies that can counter the major challenges affecting the agriculture sector on the continent. **Read more**

Lead. Measure. Grow. African leaders pledge full support for agricultural development efforts at AGRF 2018
Leaders from four African nations came together at the Presidential Summit on the final day of the 2018 African Green Revolution Forum (AGRF) in Kigali, Rwanda. The panellists offered a shared vision for Africa's agriculture transformation, emphasising the need to turn smallholders into sustainable agribusinesses across the continent. **Read more**

Young agribusiness entrepreneurs honoured at Presidential Summit
Nine young agripreneurs were announced as winners of the prestigious 2018 Pitch AgriHack competition today, organised by the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA). The award recipients were recognised for creating viable businesses that boost innovation for a more sustainable agricultural sector. **Read more**

VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

WHO SAID IT?

"The majority of Africans still earn their livelihood directly or indirectly from the land. Agriculture therefore deserves the concentrated attention of Africa's policy-makers, scientists and entrepreneurs. Fortunately, we know what works."

H.E. Paul Kagame,
President, Republic of Rwanda

"It cannot be right that the continent that has 25 percent of the world's agricultural lands produces 10 percent of the world's output of food...Until we sit down and work out what we need to do, we should stop blaming other people for our problems. We have to deal with our reality and find solutions for our situations – it has to be our responsibility."

H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo,
President, Republic of Rwanda

For more quotes from the final day of AGRF, **click here**

KEY MOMENTS

At the AGRF, 2018

The role of the state: effective leadership is about making things happen

Technology, youth involvement are keys to unlock Africa's agricultural revolution

Enough rain, not enough water: the vast potential of farmer-led irrigation

How was your experience at AGRF? Let us know by filling out a **brief survey.**

NEED ASSISTANCE?

Please see this **logistical note** for more information.
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