PROGRAM

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Bold Actions for Resilient Food Systems

05 - 09 September 2022
Kigali Rwanda
**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM**

**11:30 - 13:00 Developing value chains, boost investability to strengthen African food systems and increase local sourcing**

*Venue: AD10*

*Chair: IDH*

This session will showcase how providing seed capital and TA to SMEs and farmers can lead to resilience and investability. It introduces the IDH value chain development program (VCD) highlighting how it contributes to the food systems transformation in Africa (Cassava & horticulture sectors), strategically partnering with off-takers to develop local sourcing through investment in SMEs and smallholder farmers.

The session will also showcase proven business models and innovations in value chain and sector development, highlighting pain points and practical solutions when investing in smallholder business models and value chains.

**Moderator:** Mr. CJ Fonzi, Partner, Dalberg

**Panel discussion**

- Mr. Cyril Ugwu, Country Director Nigeria, IDH
- Ms. Sylvie Nirere, Country Manager Rwanda, IDH
- Ms. Bunmi Akingba, CEO, FMS Farms Limited
- Mr. Faustin Mbundu, Chairman, Garden Fresh
- Rwandan Development Bank Representative

**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM**

**14:30 - 15:30 Learnings from demand led approaches to value chain development**

*Venue: AD10*

*Chair: Agribusiness Dealroom*

Currently an estimated 60% of key commodities consumed in Africa are sourced from outside of the continent – a huge lost opportunity for buyers of raw and processed agricultural commodities, African farmers and African economies and societies that benefit in many ways from increased local sourcing including increased investment, improved regional trade food security and job creation.

This session looks at business models and approaches taken by buyers, traders and value chain development / market facilitation organizations to increasing local sourcing in Africa. What works? What are the obstacles to scale and how can these be addressed? Insights and best practice will be shared from the following perspectives.

**Moderator**

- Mr. Omid Kassiri, Managing Partner, East Africa, McKinsey

**Panel discussion**

- Ms. Poorva Pandya, Head of International Relations, Research and Development, Empowering Farmers Foundation (EFF)
- Mr. Reji George, Vice President, Farming, Olam
- Mr. Saint-Francis Tohlang, Corporate Affairs Director, Nestlé East & Southern Africa Region
- Mr. Kebba Colley, Director, inclusive business development, IDH, The Sustainable Trade Initiative
- Mr. Hemense Orkar, Vice President, Corporate Services, AFEX
- Mr. Yebeltal Getachew, CEO, East Africa, Twiga Foods
- Mr. Dimieari Von Kemedi, Managing Director, Alluvial
AGRICIBUSINESS DEALROOM
15:00 – 16:00 Making Systems Change Actionable
Venue: AD07
Chair: SCOPEInsight
**Round table discussion**

This session takes a deeper dive into the practicalities of driving real systems change through an integrated and holistic approach of collaboration with many different partners at a sector or country level. The discussions will focus on using data to gain insights into agribusinesses at country or sector level and build innovative and scalable models for financing agribusinesses. Showcasing pilots from Uganda National Database, Ethiopia Dairy Sector, and AGRA’s Graduation Agri-SMES project.

AGRICIBUSINESS DEALROOM
16:00 – 17:00 Business Models for financing and provision of mechanization to smallholder farmers
Venue: AD10
Chair: Agribusiness Dealroom

Uptake of mechanized agricultural equipment for farming and post-harvest processing remains low in Africa. Statistics from the AfDB indicate that African farmers have 10 times fewer mechanized implements per farm area than farmers in other developing regions.

This session explores the obstacles to scaling mechanization in sub-Saharan Africa. It looks at emerging financing models, particularly lease financing and asks how these can be scaled. Business models for linking mechanization to farmer aggregation and offtake are also explored. Finally, the session presents learnings on policy instruments to encourage uptake of mechanization.

**Moderator**
- Ms. Hedwig Siewertsen, Head Inclusive Finance, AGRA

**Panel discussion:**
- Mr. Jehiel Oliver, CEO, Hello Tractor
- Ms. JudyAnne Wanjiku, MD, EFKen Leasing
- Mr. Ahmed Adekunle, Chief Executive, Nigerian Agricultural Mechanization and Equipment Leasing Company
- Mr. James Wabala, Manager Credit Alliance and GTF, John Deere Financial
- Ms. Elizabeth Nsimadala, President, Eastern Africa Farmers Federation
- Mr. Vincent Munyeshyaka, CEO, Business Development Fund Rwanda

AGRICIBUSINESS DEALROOM
17:00 – 18:30 Bridging Capital Supply and Demand for Agri-SMEs: Challenges & Opportunities
Venue: AD10
Chair: AECF, ACELI, ROCKEFELLER

The Bridging Capital Supply and Demand for Agri-SMEs: Challenges & Opportunities session will convene leading actors to reflect on the barriers and opportunities to financing agricultural SMEs. Panelists will discuss how their organizations are approaching this market while identifying areas of growth and opportunity across both capital supply and addressable demand. The panel will shine a light on the recent traction that has emerged in the agri-SME finance market and reinforce this progress with a call to collaborate among the key actors and develop much needed enabling policies. The panel will include perspectives on impact priorities: gender and youth inclusion, food security & nutrition, and climate & environment.

**Moderator**
- Ms. Titianne Donde, Chief of Party for Feed the Future Rwanda Kungahara Wagura Amasoko
Panelists

- Ms. Nishdeep Sethi, Group Director of Structured Finance, African Guarantee Fund
- Mr. Paul Nyandika, Impact investments area manager Africa, Heifer International
- Mr. Mehrdad Ehsani, Vice President Food Initiative, Rockefeller Foundation
- Mr. Etienne Ndatimana, Head Product and Operations at Aceli Africa
- Ms. Victoria Sabula, CEO, AECF
DAY 1  
Tuesday, 6 September 2022  
Advancing Food Systems Action in the Face of Crisis

09:00 - 11:00 Opening Plenary – Advancing Food Systems in A Time of Crises  
Venue: Auditorium  
Chair: AGRF Secretariat  
In-person

Official Opening of the AGRF Summit 2022, laying out the vision of success for the week, elevating what is at stake for people, planet, and prosperity at this time of crisis, and acknowledging the type of leadership and action needed to move forward with more resilient food systems.

Moderator: Mr. Jeff Koinange, Anchor

Welcome Remarks & AGRF Rebranding
- Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA and Host of the AGRF Secretariat  
- Hon. Gerardine Mukeshimana, Minister for Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda

Keynote Remarks:
- H.E. President of Zimbabwe  
- Ms. Nardos Bekele-Thomas, CEO, AUDA-NEPAD

Framing Remarks: What is at Stake
- Mr. Acha Leke, Senior Partner, McKinsey & Co

Panel Discussion on What is at Stake for African Food Systems
- Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, South Sudan  
- Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Nigeria  
- Hon. Gerardine Mukeshimana, Minister for Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda  
- Hon. Dr. Delwendé Innocent Kiba, Minister of Agriculture, Animal Resources and Fisheries, Burkina Faso  
- H.E. Ambassador Gabriel Ferrero, CFS Chair, Ambassador at Large Global Food Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation, Spain  
- Mr. Svein Tore Holsether, CEO, Yara International ASA  
- Mr. Kolyang Palebele, President, Pan-African Farmers Organization (PAFO)  
- Mr. Abraham Vermeulen, President Africa Middle East, Corteva Agriscience  
- Ms. Hindou Ibrahim, Coordinator, Association of Peul Women and Autochthonous Peoples of Chad (AFPAT) and SDG Advocate

AASR launch Accelerating African Food Systems Transformation

Presentation:
- Mr. Edward Mabaya, Research Professor, Cornell University and AASR Author

Panel Discussion on Accelerating African Food Systems Transformation

- Hon. Oumer Hussien Oba, Minister of Agriculture, Ethiopia  
- Dr. Steven Were Omamo, CEO, New Growth International (NGI)  
- Ms. Lulama Traub, Chair of the Technical Committee, Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI) and AASR Author
Official Opening Remarks

- Rt. Hon. Édouard Ngirente, Prime Minister of Rwanda

Launch of AASR and Photo Opportunity

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break / Press Conference

11:30 - 13:00 Special Event – Agribusiness Deal Room Launch
Venue: MH4
Chair: Agribusiness Deal room and Finance Working Group
In person

In recent years we have seen a growing effort to mobilize and support inclusive private and public investments in African agriculture with different levels of success. What has become evident is that unlocking agriculture investment opportunities will require a holistic and systemic approach that addresses multiple bottlenecks around a single investment or a portfolio of investments.

This session will be discussing how a joint effort and streamlined approach by critical stakeholders, including African governments, development partners, private sector, and other value chain actors, can build and promote a continental wide pipeline of inclusive investable business opportunities.

Moderator: Ms. Amandla Ooko-Ombaka, Economist and Associate Partner, McKinsey

Framing Remarks and introductory Remarks:
- Hon. Clare Akamanzi, CEO, Rwanda Development Board

Keynote Remarks: The investment opportunity in Africa.
- H.E. President, Zambia

Panel Discussion: Why do investments in agriculture remain below 5% of all investments on the continent despite all commitments and funds? Where is the mismatch?

Moderator: Mr. Frank Braeken, AGRA Board Member

- Hon. Dr. Jean Chrysostome Ngabitsinze, Minister of Trade and Industry, Rwanda
- Minister of Investment, Zambia
- Hon. Rose Mivedor, Minister of Investment Promotion, Togo
- Mr. Mauricio Macri, Executive Chairman, FIFA Foundation
- Mr. Thomas Essel, Secretary General AFRACA and former Bank of Ghana/GIRSAL
- Dr. Beth Dunford, Vice President for Agriculture, Human and Social Development, African Development Bank
- Mr. Lloyd Muposhi, CEO, Africinvest

Panel Discussion: Closing the deal - Insights from successful transactions
Moderator: **Mr. Frank Braeken**, AGRA Board Member

- **Mr. Jerry Parkes**, CEO, Injaro Investments and ABC Fund
- **Mr. Francis Nderitu**, Founder, Rain4Tech
- **Ms. Kudzayi Hove**, Founder, Amayi Foods
- **Ms. Seun Sangoleye**, Founder, Baby Grubz
- **Ms. Victoria Sabula**, CEO, AECF

**Sequence 3: Official opening of the Agribusiness Deal Room with Co-Chairs**

Moderator: **Ms. Vanessa Adams**, Vice President, Strategic Partnerships & Chief of Party, AGRA

- **Dr. Donal Brown**, Associate Vice President, Programme Management, IFAD
- **Dr. Agnes Kalibata**, President of AGRA and UN Secretary General's Special Envoy on Food Systems Summit
- **Ms. Maura Barry Boyle**, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Resilience & Food Security, USAID

**11:30 - 13:00 Nourishing Urban Communities, Protecting our Planet – How Cities and Local Governments Are Pioneering Food Systems for the Future**

*Venue: MH1*

*Chair: Food Systems & Nutrition Working Group*

*Hybrid*

This session will showcase cities and local governments striving to feed their populations with nutritious food, while also improving livelihoods, the environment, and the climate. Cities and local governments are often at the forefront of progress, and it may be no different in accelerating action for food systems transformation, with leading coalitions like the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact, C40 Cities, 100 Resilient Cities, Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI), and many more. What can we learn from examples of progress across the continent and the globe? How can we support their growth and overcome their challenges to accelerate sustainable transformation at scale?

Moderator: **Ms. Betty Kibaara**, Director, the Food Initiative, The Rockefeller Foundation, Africa Region Office

**Welcome Remarks:**

- **Dr. Abebe Haile-Gabriel**, Assistant Director-General, Regional Representative for Africa, FAO
- **Hon. Pudence Rubingisa**, Mayor, City of Kigali, Rwanda

**Panel Discussion:**

- **Dr. Gunhild Stordalen**, Founder and Executive Chair, EAT Forum and Founder, Food Forward Consortium
- **Hon. Fabrice Rulinda**, Mayor, Entebbe Municipal Council, Uganda and Member, ICLEI Regional Executive Committee
- **Hon. Elizabeth Sackey**, Mayor, Accra, Ghana
- **Hon. Adanech Abiebie**, Mayor, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
• **Prof. Joao Bosco Monte**, President, Brazil Africa Institute and General Coordination of the Brazil Africa Forum
• **Mr. Paul Currie**, Director for Urban Systems, ICLEI Africa
• **Ms. Wangari Kuria**, Founder and CEO, Farmer on Fire
• **Ms. Josephine Favre**, President, African Association for Vertical Farming (AAVF)
• **Dr. Abdoulaye Mohamadou**, Executive Secretary, Permanent Interstate Committee for drought control in the Sahel, CILSS

**Closing Remarks**

**11:30 - 13:00 Partnering for Sustainable Productivity**

*Venue: MH3  
Chair: Sustainable Productivity Working Group  
Hybrid*

African Food systems are not on course to meet the SDG 1 and SDG 2 by 2030, and they are in need of urgent action to be transformed into a food system in which sufficient, healthy food is produced and delivered in a sustainable, inclusive way, by smallholder farmers (women and men) and a private sector that is operating in a robust enabling environment.

According to the State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2020 around 57% of the population in Sub Saharan Africa cannot afford a healthy diet and they rely more on staple foods and less on fruits and vegetables and animal source foods. Prevalence of undernourishment (PoU) in Africa is 19.1%, or more than 250 million undernourished people and will increase to 433 million people. Out of the 2 billion people suffering from food insecurity, 675 million in Africa. In 2019, 40% of stunted children lived in Africa.

The session will deliberate on how stakeholders can collaborate to enable Africa produce nutritious food sustainably. Some of the issues to be explored include climate smart technologies, last mile delivery initiatives and partnership with private sector.

**Moderator:** **Ms. Wanjira Mathai**, Managing Director for Africa and Global Partnerships, World Resources Institute

**Fireside Chat**

• **Hon. Dr. Ildephonse Musafiri**, Minister of State of Agriculture, Rwanda
• **Prof. Rattan Lal**, World Food Prize Winner 2020
• **Dr. Robert Bertram**, Director, Office of Agriculture, Research and Technology at US Agency for International Development

**Keynote Remarks:**

• **Mr. Sidi Ould Tah**, Director-General, Arab Bank for Economic Development of Africa, BADEA
• **Dr. Simplice Nouala**, Head of Division Agriculture and Food Security at the Department of Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission

**Panel Discussion:**

• **Hon. Oumer Hussien Oba**, Minister of Agriculture, Ethiopia
• **Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Land Reclamation, Egypt**
• **Ms. Fernanda Lopes Larsen**, Executive Vice President Africa & Asia, Yara International ASA
• Mr. Mehdi Filali, Vice President Farmer Solutions, OCP Africa
• Dr. Michel Evequoz, Deputy Regional Director Rwanda, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
• Dr. Betty Chinyamunyamu, CEO, National Smallholder Farmers' Association of Malawi (NASFAM)
• Dr. Joe DeVries, Founder and CEO, Seed Systems Group
• Mr. Theo de Jager, Outgoing President, World Farmers' Organisation and former president of the Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU)
• Dr. Vanlauwe Bernard, Director R4D, Central Africa Hub and Natural Resource Management, Leader of the One CGIAR Excellence in Agronomy 2030 Initiative

Closing Remarks
• Dr. Rudy Rabbinge, Professor Emeritus in Sustainable Development and Food Security, Wageningen University

11:30 - 13:00 Where does the food systems science and policy agenda go from here?
Venue: AD12
Hybrid

Moderator: Dr. Yemi Akinbamijo, Executive Director of the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA)

Welcome and Framing Remarks:
• Prof. Sheryl Hendricks, Head of Department and Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics, Extension, and Rural Development, University of Pretoria, South Africa

Presentation:
• Dr. Ismahane Elouafi, Chief Scientist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Roundtable Discussion:
• Hon. Minister, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, South Africa
• Ms. Rhoda Peace Tumusiime, Member, Malabo Montepellier Panel
• Prof. Adipala Ekwamu, Executive Secretary, Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM)
• Dr. Thabbie Chilongo, Board Member, Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (RENAPRI)
• Prof. Jane Nelson, Director of the Corporate Responsibility Initiative, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
• Mr. Kunal Prasad, Co-Founder, Cropin Technology
• Ms. Eleni Gabre-Madhin, Chief Innovation Officer, UNDP

Closing Remarks (5 mins)
• Mr. Johan Swinnen, Director General, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
11:30 - 13:00 Crises Response and What We Learned from COVID-19  
Venue: MH2  
In-person

This working session will bring together many of the leaders and institutions who have been and continue to be on the frontlines of responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and the food, fuel, and finance crisis. Under the leadership of the UN Crisis Response Working Group and the AU Crisis Response Working Group, the session will reflect on lessons learned to date, troubleshoot current priorities, and seek to give recommendations on the way forward into the AGRF Summit Communique.

Moderator: Dr. Fadel Ndiame, CEO, Food Systems Transformation Solutions

Keynote Remarks:
- Dr. David Nabarro, UN Response Group and Strategic Director, 4SD

Panel Discussion:
- Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, African Union Commission and Coordinator of the AU Response Group
- Mr. Mansoor Ahmad MBE, Group Head, Africa Economic Development, FCDO UK’s Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office
- Ms. Thule Lenneiye, Coordinator, Agriculture Transformation Office, Kenya
- Mr. Arne Cartridge, Special Adviser, Strategy and Business Development, Yara International, Yara International ASA
- Mr. Ndubisi Anyanwu, Nigeria Country Director, Mercy Corps
- Mr. Jean-Claude Rubyogo, Director, Pan-African Bean Research Alliance (PABRA)
- Ms. Sara Mbago-Bhunu, Director East and Southern Africa Division, IFAD and Commissioner, Commission on Sustainable Agriculture Intensification (COSAI)
- Dr. Claudia Sadoff, Managing Director, Research Delivery and Impact of the CGIAR System Organization
- Mr. Daniel Njiwa, Head of Regional Food Trade & Resilience, AGRA

Closing Remarks

13:00-14:30 - Lunch Break

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM  
13:00 – 15:00 Invest in Rwanda  
(Lunch session)  
Venue: Dealroom Marquee  
Organizers: Government Rwanda Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.
14:30 - 16:30 Special Event – Farmers Forum
Venue: MH4
Chair: PAFO
Hybrid

Leaders in a dialogue with African farmers.

Moderator: Mr. Eugene Anangwe, Anchor, CNBC

Welcome and Framing Remarks:
- Mr. Kolyang Palebele, President, Pan-African Farmers Organization (PAFO)

Keynote Remarks:
- H.E. Samia Suluhu Hassan, President, Tanzania
- H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Chair, AGRF Partners Group and Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia

Panel discussion:
- Mrs. Massandje Toure-Litse, Commissioner of Economic Affairs and Agriculture, ECOWAS
- Mr. Ibrahima Coulibaly, Network of Farmers and Producers Organizations in West Africa (ROPPA)
- Ms. Elizabeth Nsimadala, President, Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF)
- Dr. Sinare Yusuf Sinare, President of Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU)
- Dr. Babafemi O. Oyewole, CEO, Pan-African Farmers Organization (PAFO)
- Mr. Felix Kili, Climate Positive Farmer, Eldoret Rift Valley, Kenya
- Ms. Haddy Ceesay, Young Professional for Agriculture Development, The Gambia
- Ms. Lilian Sambu, Agribusiness & Agroforestry Value Chain, Dodoma, Tanzania

Closing remarks
- Dr. Apollos Nwafor, Vice President, Policy & State Capability, AGRA

14:30 - 16:30 Experiences, Lessons and Tools for National Food Systems Transformation
Venue: MH3
Hybrid

Following last year’s UN Food Systems Summit, this session will look at the state of play in moving from national pathways to food systems strategies, investment plans, and coordination mechanisms that can accelerate action on the ground for people and business. It will draw out the experience of leaders at country level at the forefront of advancing a whole of government, systemic approach, as well as many of the regional and global institutions working to support them with tools, models, and technical assistance as desired. To achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, we must learn from these experiences, lessons, and tools as many more countries and institutions scale up similar next steps across Africa.

Moderator: Ms. Sylvia Lopez-Ekra, Deputy, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub

Welcome and Framing Remarks:
**Dr. Apollos Nwafor**, Vice President, Policy & State Capability, AGRA

**Keynote Remarks:**
- **H.E. Gerda Verburg**, Coordinator, Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement

**Presentations:**
- **Hon. Reuben Phiri Mtolo**, Minister of Agriculture and Livestock, Zambia
- **Hon. Lee White**, Minister of Water, Forests, the Sea, and Environment, Gabon
- **Ms. Julie Tshilombo Diomi**, National Convenor for Food Systems, Office of the President, Democratic Republic of Congo
- **Hon. Olusola O. Idowu**, National Convenor for Food Systems and Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Budget and National Planning, Nigeria

**Crunching the data - Insights from the Food Systems Dashboard and CAADP Food Systems Monitoring**
- **Dr. Lawrence Haddad**, Executive Director, GAIN
- **Mr. Boaz Keizire**, Head, Policy & Advocacy, AGRA

**Panel Discussion**
- **Ms. Safia Boly**, Executive Director, AATI
- **Mr. Mandefro Nigussie**, CEO, Ethiopian Agricultural Transformation Agency
- **Mr. Mohamed Manssouri**, Director, FAO Investment Centre
- **Mr. Enock Chikava**, Acting Director, Agricultural Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- **Mr. Peiman Milani**, Director, Food Initiative, The Rockefeller Foundation
- **Ms. Astrid Mastenbroek**, Senior Policy Advisor Food & Nutrition Security at Inclusive Green Growth, ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands
- **Ms. Melissa Pinfield**, Executive Director, Just Rural Transition

**Closing Remarks**
- **Mr. Holger Kray**, Practice Manager, Agriculture & Food Security, World Bank

**14:30 - 16:30 Accelerating data-driven strategies for boosting food systems transformation**

*Venue: AD12*  
*Chair: AgTech & Digitalisation Working Group*  
*In-person*

Agricultural data is the foundation of successful digital agriculture innovations – technologies, solutions, and services. The viability of digital agricultural technologies, solutions, and services depends largely on the quality of the data behind their operations. Above that, the digital transformation agenda of Africa will revolve around how reliable, trusted, and safe this resource across the continent is, considering the importance of agriculture to its economy. However, agricultural data across the continent is plagued with numerous challenges including duplication of data systems, unwillingness of data collectors to share data, farmers loss of control over data, insufficient regulatory guidance, capacity issues, among others.

The session will deliberate on how stakeholders can collaborate to enable agricultural data management at national/regional level through agricultural data infrastructure coordination.

**Moderator: Mr. John Kamara**, CEO, Adanian Labs
Framing Remarks:

- **Ms. Marcella McClathey**, Senior Program Officer, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Fireside Chat:

- **Hon. Paula Ingabire**, Minister of Information and Communications Technology and Innovation, Rwanda
- **Rt Hon Patricia Scotland QC**, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Secretariat

Launch of the **Use Centric data Governance Report** by USAID and BMGF

**Panel discussion 1** – In whose hands will our agriculture data be in the next 5-10 years?

- **Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe**, Minister of Agriculture, Tanzania
- **Mr. Seember Joy Ali**, Consultant, Development Gateway
- **Mr. Yusuf Murangwa**, Director General, National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR)
- **Mr. Ken Lohento**, Digital Agriculture Specialist, Regional Office for Africa, FAO
- **Dr. Catherine Nakalembe**, Lead, NASA Harvest and 2020 Africa Food Prize Laureate
- **Mr. Philip Tuinenburg**, Chief of staff, Gro Intelligence

**Panel discussion 2** - How can we develop innovative data-sharing mechanisms for the benefits of farmers, agri-food system planning and the design of new value-added services?

- **Mr. Mark Blackett**, CEO, AMEA
- **Mr. Akintunde Akinwande**, Head of Digital and Business Development Nigeria, Middle Africa, OCP Africa
- **Ms. Catherine Gachuhi**, Marketing and Communication Manager, UPL
- **Ms. Archana Karanam**, Program Manager, Digital Green
- **Mr. Richard Choularton**, Director of Agriculture and Economic Growth, Tetra Tech

**Closing Remarks**

**14:30 - 16:30 Scaling up Innovations for Climate-Resilient Food, Land, and Water Systems**

*Venue: MH2  
Chair: CGIAR & AGRA  
Hybrid*

Global food, land and water systems already under threat from climate change and biodiversity emergencies, now face a series of short-term shocks creating the conditions for a crisis. While we must act to protect those at immediate risk, we also need to build resilience to inevitable future shocks. This session will explore how to support a well-funded science agenda to identify and scale innovations that address today’s interconnected challenges.

**Welcome and Framing Remarks:**

- **Dr. Claudia Sadoff**, Managing Director, Research Delivery and Impact of the CGIAR System Organization
Panel Discussion 1 – How can science, research, innovation and partnerships contribute to developing climate-resilient food, land and water systems in Africa?

Moderator: **Mr. Ruben Echeverría**, Senior Advisor Agriculture Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)

- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Democratic Republic of the Congo**
- **Dr. Juan Lucas Restrepo**, Director General, CIAT and Biodiversity International
- **Mr. Arun Baral**, CEO, HarvestPlus
- **Mr. Innocent Musabyimana**, Chief Technology Officer, African Development Bank
- **Ms. Ebube Akah**, CEO, Aga’s Wholesome Foods
- **Eng. Linda Bihire**, Chief Strategist, Bridges to Prosperity
- **Col. Francis Ngabo**, CEO, Rwanda Space Agency
- **Dr. Cary Fowler**, US Special Envoy for Food Security

Panel Discussion 2 – What are some useful experiences and lessons that would help strengthen food, land and water systems in Africa?

Moderator: **Mr. Kwesi Atta-Krah**, Director, Country Alignment and Systems Integration (CASI), IITA

- **Hon. Dr. Jean Chrysostome Ngabitsinze**, Minister of Trade and Industry, Rwanda
- **Dr. Yemi Akinbamijo**, Executive Director, Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA)
- **Dr. Enock Warinda**, Executive Director, Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa (ASARECA)
- **Ms. Danielle Abraham**, Executive Director, Volcani International Partnerships
- **Ms. Beth Wagude**, Program Manager Aquaculture, IDH
- **Mr. George Bigirwa**, Deputy Vice President for PID, AGRA
- **Ms. Geeta Sethi**, Advisor and Global Lead for Food Systems, World Bank
- **Ms. Diana Sabrain**, CEO, Co-Founder, OneAgrix

Wrap-up and closing remarks:

- **Mr. Harold Roy-Macauley**, Managing Director, Regions and Partnership, CGIAR and Director General, AfricaRice

**14:30 – 17:00 GoGettaz Finals**

*Venue: MH1*

*Chair: Generation Africa*

*Hybrid*

This session brings together young entrepreneurs, innovators, movers and shakers in Africa’s agri-food sector and presents inspiration from 12 young agripreneurs competing for this year’s prestigious GoGettaz Agripreneur Prize. The scene will be preceded by key messages from Generation Africa Steering Committee members, Generation Africa Steerco Co-Chairs and Generation Africa Co-Catalysts. The objective of the session is to raise awareness of the new Generation Africa Partnership Initiative and opportunities for broader collaboration to strengthen the ecosystem for young entrepreneurs across Africa.
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Moderator and Framing Remarks: **Ms. Sherrie Silver**, UN IFAD Advocate for Rural Youth, Emcee for Generation Africa

Welcome Remarks:
- **Mr. Dickson Naftali**, Head, Generation Africa
- **Mr. Svein Tore Holsether**, CEO, Yara International ASA

Special Entertainment and Introductions to Distinguished Judges
- **Ms. Ellen Cathrine Rasmussen**, EVP Scalable Enterprises, Norfund
- **Mr. George Apaka**, Agriculture Sector Lead, Mastercard Foundation
- **Mr. Edson Mpyisi**, Chief Financial Economist, Coordinator ENABLE Youth Programme, African Development Bank (AfDB)
- **Ms. Jane Lowicki-Zucca**, Senior Youth Advisor, USAID
- **Mr. Jean Muthamia-Mwenda**, Global Lead, Youth Employment & Entrepreneurship, SNV Netherlands
- **Mr. Zvichapera Katiyo**, Group CEO, Delta Philanthropies
- **Ms. Barbra Muzata**, Head of Corporate Communications, Corteva AgriScience

GoGettaz Agripreneur Prize Finalist Pitches
- **12 Young Agripreneur Finalists pitches**

Closing Remarks

**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM**
**16:00 – 17:30 The Market is Africa: Driving Competitive Markets and Trade in Africa**
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: AGRA/ AfCFTA/ AFRIEXIM

The continent has recorded a major milestone with the ratification of the Continental Free Trade Area in 2019 and coming into force in 2021. The agreement presents a huge opportunity for access to the growing Africa market.

This session will be discussing the key ingredients to expanding domestic and intra-continental markets as well as cross-border investments. Showcasing the opportunity, emerging actors, and infrastructure available, while looking into necessary investments to execute the free trade area.

**Moderator:**
- **Mr. Daniel Njiwa**, Head, Regional Trade, AGRA

**Speakers:**
- **Mr. Clay Hamilton**, Associate Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA
- **Mr. Komla Prosper Bissi**, Senior Advisor Agriculture, AfCFTA
- **Mr. Godwin Obaseki**, Governor of Edo State Nigeria and Founder, Afrinvest West Africa Ltd.
- **Mr. Leonard Kachebonaho**, Founder, Kaderes Peasant Development Ltd.
- **Mr. Mamadou Biteye**, Executive Secretary, African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF)
Mr. Simon Winter, Syngenta Foundation and FTMA Chair
Ms. Nalan Yuksel, Regional Director, Pan-Africa & Development, Global Affairs Canada
Mr. Suffyan Kormawa, Senior Economist, FAO
Ms. Christiana Anim Asare, Business Manager, Olam Agri

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
16:00 – 17:00 Invest in Kenya
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Kenya Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

16:30 – 17:00 - Coffee Break

17:00 - 18:30 Plenary – Leadership, Finance & Accountability: Advancing National Food Systems’ Pathways
Venue: Auditorium
Chair: Secretariat
Hybrid

In 2021, African countries united behind a Common African Position on food systems transformation to achieve the 2030 Agenda, and more than two-thirds of them (37 African countries) developed national pathways customized to their unique contexts. In this plenary session, leaders from the global level, continental level, and countries will speak to the way forward and where the AGRF community must focus attention to support country progress. It will look at opportunities to unlock much-needed public and private finance for food systems transformation, as well as the latest efforts by the African Union to track and monitor progress, with the aim of driving continual country-level improvement for people, planet, and prosperity.

Moderator: Ms. Nozipho Mbanjwa, Anchor

Framing and Introductory Remarks:
- H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission

Keynote Remarks: Championing and Advancing Africa’s Food Systems
- Rt. Hon. Tony Blair, Executive Chairman, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change
- Mr. Didier Drogba, President, Didier Drogba Foundation

Presentation: Framework in Advancing African National Pathways for Food Systems Transformation
- Mr. Martin Bwalya, Director for Agriculture, Knowledge Management and Programme Evaluation (KMPE), AU-NEPAD
Presentation: Food Systems Indicators and monitoring progress on the Malabo declaration
- **Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa**, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, African Union Commission

Showcase on Country Progress
- **Hon. -**, Minister for Food and Agriculture, Ghana
- **Hon. Lobin Lowe**, Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development, Malawi
- **Mr. Jean-Claude Musabyimana**, Permanent Secretary, Minister of Agriculture, Rwanda

Panel Discussion reflecting Leadership, Finance, and Accountability
- **Mr. Alvaro Lario**, President-Elect, IFAD
- **Ms. Geeta Sethi**, Advisor and Global Lead for Food Systems, World Bank
- **Mr. Peter Bakker**, CEO, World Business Council for Sustainable Development
- **Mr. Roy Steiner**, Senior Vice President, Rockefeller Foundation
- **Mr. Ozonnia Ojielo**, Resident Coordinator Rwanda, United Nations
- **Dr. Beth Dunford**, Vice President for Agriculture, Human and Social Development, African Development Bank (AfDB)

Closing Remarks
**Dr. Stefanos Fotiou**, Director, Office of Sustainable Development Goals, FAO
The state of the Climate Africa (2020) report highlighted that Africa is in crossroads: The compounded effects of political instability, coronavirus disease pandemic, pest outbreaks and economic crises, exacerbated by the impacts of climate variability, were the key drivers of a significant increase in food insecurity. Most African countries will enter unprecedented hotter climates earlier in this century than generally wealthier, higher latitude countries, emphasizing the urgency for adaptation measures. Africa needs to invest in curbing the effects of climate change through employing targeted policies in adaptation but also contributing to mitigation strategies. The objective of this session is to exchange lessons, best practices and policy dimension among global players that would contribute to climate change adaptation and resilience building and assess investment opportunities ensuring climate-resilient development in Africa, including in climate smart agriculture, hydrometeorological infrastructure and early warning systems to prepare for escalating high-impact events.

Moderator:
- **Mr. Morgan Gillespy**, Programme Director of the Food and Land Use Coalition, World Resources Institute

Welcome Remarks and introduction:
- **Ms. Barbara Stinson**, President, The World Food Prize Foundation

Keynote remarks
- **Dr. Cynthia Rosenzweig**, 2022 World Food Prize Laureate and Climatologist and Senior Research Scientist, NASA
- **Hon. Mariam Almheiri**, Minister of Climate Change and Environment, United Arab Emirates and Co-Lead, Food Innovation Hubs

Fireside Chat – Raising Our Ambitions for Climate Action
- **Mr. Nigel Topping**, UK High-Level Champion for Climate
- **Mr. Patrick Verkoijjen**, CEO, Global Center for Adaptation

Panel Discussion 1
- **H.E. Yasmine Fouad**, Minister of Environment, Egypt
- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Niger**
- **Mr. Ibrahima Cheikh-Diong**, UN-ASG and Director-General, Africa Risk Capacity Group
- **Prof. Joachim von Braun**, Director of the Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn
- **Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw**, Executive Secretary, United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
- **Ms. Razan Al Mubarak**, President, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
Panel Discussion 2

- **H.E. Prof. Eyasu Elias**, State Minister, Ministry of Agriculture, Ethiopia
- **Hon. Olegario dos Anjos Banze**, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Mozambique
- **Amb. Ayman Amin**, First Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Egypt
- **Prof. Saleemul Huq**, Director, International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD)
- **Ms. Sara Mbago-Bhunu**, Director East and Southern Africa Division, IFAD and Commissioner, Commission on Sustainable Agriculture Intensification (COSAI)
- **Mr. Enock Chikava**, Acting Director, Agricultural Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- **Mr. Santiago Alba-Corral**, Director, Climate Resilient Food Programs, IDRC

Moderator Wrap Up Remarks

[10:30-11:00 Coffee Break]

Technical Session from 11:00-13:00

Farmers across the African continent are being challenged to increase the resilience of their crops, farms, and livelihoods in the face of accelerating environmental degradation and tumultuous trade links. Balancing food and nutritional security, income stability, and a positive relationship with the natural world presents a compelling challenge, but a refreshed approach to how farmers use and think about crop cultivation may offer a path to true resilience and prosperity.

Regenerative agriculture recognizes that farmers live in harmony with their farms, and that the health of their cropping conditions is tantamount to the health of their crops. Offering a pragmatic framework of actions, from crop diversification, to agroforestry, and cover cropping, regenerative agricultural interventions offer farmers a broad spectrum of resilience outcomes, from hardier crops, reduced water intensification, and manifold biodiversity benefits. But chief among these outcomes – and central to their realization – is soil health. Building and preserving the health of soils provides immediate and long-term benefits to farmers and the food system, integrating regenerative practices as a first principle while acknowledging and championing the natural technologies contained within soils as the reactive area for healthy crops, predictable yields, and even soil-carbon sequestration.

Moderator:
- **Mr. Chris Mitchell**, Managing Director & Partner, BCG Group Kenya

Keynote remarks:
- **The Nature Conservancy**

Panel discussion:
- **Mr. Divine Ntiokam**, Founder and Managing Director, Climate Smart Agriculture Youth Network
- **Dr. David Bergvinson**, Senior Advisor, DevGlobal
- **Ms. Emma Fuller**, Global Portfolio Leader, Corteva
09:00 – 13:00 Producing and Adding More Value in African Food Systems

Venue: MH3
Chair: Agribusiness Working Group
Hybrid

Agriculture in Africa has a massive social and economic footprint. More than 60 percent of the population of sub-Saharan Africa is smallholder farmers, and about 23 percent of sub-Saharan Africa’s GDP comes from agriculture. Yet, Africa’s full agricultural potential remains untapped. Realizing Africa’s full agricultural potential will require significant investment. Sub-Saharan Africa will need eight times more fertilizer, six times more improved seed, at least $8 billion of investment in basic storage (not including cold-chain investments for horticulture or animal products), and as much as $65 billion in irrigation to fulfill its agricultural promise.

This session brings in key private sector players, financiers and development partners to agree on a roadmap to realise Africa’s full agriculture potential.

Moderator:
- Mr. Khalid Bomba, Managing Director, Agrifood Transformation Agency Support Center (TASC)

Framing Remarks – The Latest Evidence
- Mr. Jeff Dykstra, Co-Founder & CEO, Partners in Food Solutions

Keynote Remarks – Raising Our Ambitions
- Mr. Aliko Dangote, Founder and CEO, Dangote group

Panel Discussion – The Latest Business Efforts
- Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Nigeria
- Mr. Vimal Shah, CEO, BIDCO
- Ms. Hanneke Faber, President of Foods & Refreshment, Unilever
Closing Remarks – Country and Regional Leadership

- **Hon. Moussa Baldé**, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Equipment, Senegal

Moderator Wrap Up Remarks

[10:30-11:00 Coffee Break]

Technical Session from 11:00-13:00

**Panel discussion 1 - Business models for promoting integrated value chains and value-added processing**

**Moderator:** Mr. Grant Merrick, Head Agriculture and Food, Tony Blair Institute

- Mr. Khalid Bomba, Managing Director, Agrifood Transformation Agency Support Center (TASC)
- **Mr. Martin Fregene**, Director of Agriculture and Agro-Industry, African Development Bank (AFDB)
- **Hon. Nasir Ahmad el-Rufai**, Governor, Kaduna State, Nigeria
- Mr. Geoffrey Kirenga, CEO, SAGCOT Centre
- **Mr. John Mathew Mnali**, Ag. Executive Director, Tanzania Investment Center (TIC)
- **Mr. Simon Winter**, Executive Director, Syngenta Foundation and Chair of the Farm to Market Alliance (FTMA)
- **Dr. Canisius K. Kanangire**, CEO, African Agriculture Technology Foundation (AATF)
- Mr. Ahmed Sylla, Country Manager, Africa Improved Foods
- Ms. Hannah Ratcliffe, Director, Technical Assistance Facility and Enterprise Development Team, AgDevCo

**Panel discussion 2 - Challenges and Opportunities in Commodity-Specific Value chains**

**Moderator:** Mr. Quentin Rukiama, Managing Partner, JBQ Africa

- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Côte d'Ivoire**
- Mr. Tom Kehoe, Deputy Director, Africa Agriculture, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- **Mr. Ishmael Sunga**, CEO, Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU)
- Mr. Ekko Oosterhuis, Managing Director, Silverlands Tanzania ltd.
- Mr. Reji Georg, Vice President, Farming, Olam Agri
In the AU Year of Nutrition, African governments and their partners have been challenged to ensure nutrition is at the forefront of priorities and action plans for COVID-19 response and recovery. A strong base of political will is present, as advancing healthy diets from sustainable food systems emerged as the #1 priority of African countries coming out of the UN Food Systems Summit, with more than 90% of countries including this in their national pathways for food systems transformation. But this is an ambitious priority, requiring work not just on increasing productivity, but also on increasing accessibility, desirability, affordability, and sustainability. It requires leadership across the board, advocating for adequate financing, implementation capacity, and coordination to drive effective implementation.

With the leadership of First Ladies across the continent – drawing in coalitions from community to global level – this session will elevate and champion the transformative actions and investments needed to increase access to healthy diets today, while also protecting the environment and climate for the future.

Facilitator: Ms. Fiona Mbabazi, Anchor

Co-host Welcome Remarks
- H.E. Roman Tesfaye, Former First Lady of Ethiopia
- H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission

Framing Remarks - The Latest Evidence
- Dr. Gunhild Stordalen, Founder and Executive Chair, EAT Forum and Founder, Food Forward Consortium
- Hon. Prof. Jeannette Bayisenge, Minister of Gender and Family Promotion, Rwanda

Guest of Honor Remarks –
- H.E. Jeannette Kagame, First Lady of Rwanda

Roundtable Discussion of First Ladies and Experts in Healthy Diets & Nutrition

Moderator: Ms. Redi Tlhabi, Anchor, UN Global Journalists Corps
First Ladies in attendance
- H.E. Auxillia Mnangagwa, First Lady, Republic of Zimbabwe
- Hon. Dr. Ildephonse Musafiri, Minister of State of Agriculture, Rwanda
- H.E. Gerda Verburg, Coordinator, Scaling Up Nutrition Movement
- Chef Sam Kass, Food Entrepreneur
- Chef Marcus Samuelsson, Ethiopian-Swedish Chef
- Prof. Ruth Oniang’o, Founder and Director, Rural Outreach Africa
- Ms. Hajia Salamatu Garba, WAYA 2021 winner
- Ms. Coumba Dieng Sow, Rwanda Country Director, FAO

Announcement of Winner WAYA competition

Award Presenter & Speakers
- Attending First Lady
- Ms. Hajia Salamatu Garba, WAYA 2021 winner

Award Winners: TBC

Award Judges
- Ms. Betty Kiplagat, Government Affairs Leader, Africa & the Middle East, Corteva
- Ms. Marieme Esther Dassanou, AFAWA Coordinator, African Development Bank (AfDB)
- Ms. Robynne Anderson, President, Emerging Ag Inc
- Ms. Binta Toure Ndoye, Board Member, AGRA

Moderator Wrap Up Remarks

[10:30-11:00 Coffee Break]

Speakers in Technical Session from 11:00-13:00

Moderator: Dr. Namukulo Covic, Director General’s Representative in Ethiopia, President of the Africa Nutrition Society

Keynote remarks: H.E. Amb. Hans Hoogeveen, Independent Council Chairperson, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Framing remarks:
- Dr. Lawrence Haddad, Executive Director, GAIN

Panel discussion 1
- Hon. Ahmed Mathobe Nunow, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation, Somalia
- Mr. Roy Steiner, Senior Vice President, Rockefeller Foundation
- Ms. Rahmat Eyinfunjowo, Co-CEO, Nourishing Africa
- Ms. Adesuwa Ifedi, Senior Vice President of Africa Programs, Heifer International
- Ms. Seynabou Dieng, CEO, MAYA Enterprises
Panel discussion 2

- **Ms. Lynnette Neufeld**, Director of Food and Nutrition Division (ESN), FAO
- **Ms. Tei Mukunya-Oundo**, Co-Founder and Executive Director for Nutrition Solutions Africa, NatureLock Foods Ltd
- **Dr. Francesco Branca**, Director of the Department of Nutrition for Health and Development, WHO
- **Ms. Edith Heines**, WFP Country Director, Rwanda
- **Prof. Corinna Hawkes**, Director, Centre for Food Policy, City University, London
- **Mr. Paul Newnham**, Coordinator, SDG2 Advocacy Hub
- **Ms. Stephanie Sargeant**, Youth Leader, #Act4Food #Act4Change
- **Dr. Abdou Tenkouano**, Executive Director, CORAF
- **Dr. Klaus Kraemer**, Managing Director, Sight and Life Foundation

**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM 9:00 – 10:00 Invest in Tanzania**
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: Government Tanzania Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM 9:00 – 10:00 Invest in Burkina Faso**
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Burkina Faso Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM 10:15 – 11:15 Invest in Zambia**
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Zambia Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM 10:15 – 11:15 Invest in Uganda**
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: Government Uganda Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

11:00 - 11:30 - Coffee Break / Press Conference

11:00 - 13:00 Special Event - Africa Fertilizer and Soil Health Session: A new vision for sustainable agriculture and food systems transformation

Venue: MH1
Chair: AGRA, AUC Working Group
In-person

The session will seek to build a common understanding the role of fertilizers and the importance of soil health as Africa seeks sustainable solutions to the challenges of food systems transformation, agree on the priority actions based on data and evidence, outline the short and long term actions by different stakeholders and ensure Africa’s farmers access and apply fertilizers to increase productivity without compromising soil health.

Moderator:
- Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, African Union Commission

Host Welcome Remarks:
- H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission

Framing Remarks on the Abuja Declaration
- H.E. Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, Former President, Nigeria, and Outgoing Chair of the Africa Food Prize Committee

Presentation on Progress, Priorities and Issues
- Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, African Union Commission

Fireside Chat:
- Prof. Richard Mkandawire, Vice President, African Fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership (AFAP)
- Mr. Albin Hubsher, President and CEO, IFDC
- Mr. Svein Tore Holsether, CEO, Yara International ASA
- Mr. Mostafa Terrab, CEO, OCP Group
Panel Discussion:
- Hon. Oumer Hussien Oba, Minister of Agriculture, Ethiopia
- Hon. Mohamed Sadiki, Minister of Agriculture, Morocco
- Mr. Bimal Kantaria, CEO, Elgon Kenya
- Prof. Pedro Sanchez, Director, Agriculture & Food Security Center
- Mr. Douglas Kerr, Vice-President for Business Development, IFDC
- Mr. Patrick Heffer, Deputy Director General, International Fertilizer Association
- Ms. Marie Claire Kalihangabo, Coordinator of the Africa Fertilizer Financing Mechanism (AFFM), African Development Bank (AfDB)
- Mr. Michael Sudarkasa, CEO, African Fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership (AFAP)
- Mr. Tom Kehoe, Deputy Director, Africa Agriculture, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)
- Mr. Bashir Jama, Agricultural Development Expert, Islamic Development Bank
- Mr. Kolyang Palebele, President, Pan-African Farmers Organization (PAFO)

Closing Remarks by:
- H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
11:30 – 12:30 Invest in Ghana
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Ghana Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

DEALROOM
11:30 – 12:30 Invest in Ethiopia
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: Government Ethiopia Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:30 Special Event - Ministerial Roundtable- Country Actions to Progress Pathways for Food Systems Transformation
Venue: AD12
Chair: Policy & State Capability TP
In-person
Africa is not on track to meet the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADPs) and the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG 2) targets to end hunger and ensure access to safe, nutritious, and sufficient food by 2025 and 2030 respectively. Against this backdrop, The AGRF 2022 comes at a pivotal time, in Africa’s recovery and progress towards the attainment of sustainability and resilient agricultural-led economic transformation.

In order to fast-track actions toward national food systems transformation the Policy and State Capability Thematic platform will host the Ministerial Roundtable, convening the foremost leaders on the continent.

**Moderators:**

- **Dr. Fadel Ndiame**, CEO, Food Systems Transformation Solutions
- **Mr. Sean de Cleene**, Member of the Executive Committee, Head of the Future of Food, World Economic Forum

**Speakers:**

- **H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn**, Chair, AGRF Partners Group and Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia
- **H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko**, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission
- **Ms. Nardos Bekele-Thomas**, CEO, AUDA-NEPAD

**AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM**

**14:30 – 15:30 Tipping the balance: Opportunities in climate adaptation for African smallholder farmers and SMEs**

Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: AGRA/CASA/CRDB

Currently 95% of climate finance is supplied by public sources and allocated towards low-hanging fruit to mitigate climate change. To get beyond the low-hanging fruit the world will have to consider smaller investment opportunities that, in aggregate, can significantly adapt to climate change in Africa. If no action is taken, climate impacts in Africa will lead to overall yield reductions of up to 30% by 2050, while extreme weather events will result in higher post-harvest quality and quantity losses.

This session will explore how to effectively attract more funding to the agri-SME sector to achieve this aim while managing the risks.

**Moderator**

- **Ms. Aggie Konde**, Vice President Program Development and Innovation, AGRA

**Presentation of the Key Findings of the Climate Investment Research**

- **Mr. Mathias Hague**, Research Lead, CASA
Speakers:

- **Hon. Oumer Hussien Oba**, Minister of Agriculture, Ethiopia
- **Hon. Dr. Jeanne d’Arc Mujawamariya**, Minister of Environment, Rwanda
- **Ms. Fiona Napier**, Africa Nature Lead, UNFCC Climate Champions team
- **Mr. Gary Almond**, Head of Communications, Shell Foundation - Catalysing Agriculture by Scaling Energy Ecosystems (CASEE)
- **Mr. Eelco Baan**, Global Coordinator Food Systems, SNV Netherlands
- **Mr. Gabriel Boc**, Senior Agriculture and Food Security Specialist, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, Green Climate Fund
- **Mr. Stephen Morin**, Division Chief, Market Systems and Finance Center for Agriculture-Led Growth, USAID
- **Mr. Tanguy Boussard**, Chief Strategy Officer, SunCulture
- **Mr. Jonathan First**, Senior Consultant, Climate Policy Initiative
- **Mr. Jean Paul Gisa**, Program Director, One Acre Fund - Smallholder Resilience Fund
- **Mr. Wilson Mnzava**, General Manager Insurance, CRDB Bank Plc
- **Mr. Ben Valk**, Global Head Food and Agri Partnerships, Rabobank
- **Mr. Simon Winter**, Executive Director, Syngenta
- **Mr. Charles Karangwa**, Regional Lead for Forests, Landscapes and Livelihoods Programme for Africa at the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
- **Mr. Pathe Amath Sene**, Regional Climate and Environment Specialist, IFAD

16:00 – 17:30 Plenary – Presidential Summit- Advancing pathways for people, planet and prosperity

*Venue: Auditorium*

**Chair:** Secretariat

In-person

Introduction

Moderator: **Ms. Nozipho Mbanjwa**, Anchor

Opening Video - Grow. Nourish. Reward – Bold Actions for Resilient Food Systems

Welcome from the Host Government

- **Hon. Gerdratine Mukeshimana**, Minister for Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda

AGRF Remarks

- **Dr. Agnes Kalibata**, President, AGRA and Host of the AGRF Secretariat
- **H.E. Hailemariam Desalegn**, Chair, AGRF Partners Group and Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia

Presidential Keynote Remarks

- **H.E Paul Kagame**, President, Rwanda

Commitments to action for Food Systems Transformation and Climate Action

- **Rt Hon Patricia Scotland QC**, Secretary-General, Commonwealth Secretariat
**Presidential Panel**

Invited Heads of State and Government

- H.E. President, Rwanda
- H.E. President, Senegal and Chair of the AU
- H.E. President, Zambia
- H.E. President, Tanzania
- H.E. President, Zimbabwe
- H.E. President, Malawi
- H.E. President, Niger
- H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson, AUC
- H.E. Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General, UN

**Call to Action Beans Challenge**

- Chef Marcus Samuelsson, Ethiopian-Swedish Chef
- Chef Sam Kass, Food Entrepreneur
- Chef Dieuveil Malonga, Food Entrepreneur, Congo-Brazzaville

**End of Ceremony and Official Photo**

17:30 – 19:00 - Break Time

19:00 – 21:00 - Africa Food Prize Award Ceremony and AGRF Gala Dinner

Venue: KCC

In person

A celebration of the Africa Food Prize Laureate, as the premier award showcasing individuals or institutions helping transform African food systems and agriculture. VIP attendees to include all Members of the Africa Food Prize Committee, all former Africa Food Prize Laureates, and CEOs of Africa Food Prize Funders.

**Introduction**

Moderator: Mr. Jeff Koinange, Anchor

**Opening Video**

**Winner GoGettaz Competition**

- Grand Prize Award: Award Presenter TBC
- Impact Award: Award Presenter TBC

**Africa Food Prize**

**Speakers:**
• H.E. Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, Former President, Nigeria and Outgoing Chair of the Africa Food Prize Committee
• H.E. Jakaya Kikwete, Incoming Chair, Africa Food Prize Committee and Former President
• Award prize winner

Presenters of the Africa Food Prize Award on stage

Award Prize Winner Speech

Dinner & Celebration
AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
08:00 – 09:00 Invest in Mozambique
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Mozambique Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

09:00 – 10:30 Plenary – Council of the Wise
Venue: Auditorium
Chair: Secretariat
Hybrid

Following a successful inaugural session in 2021, this year’s Council of the Wise aims to encourage African leaders to increase funding to the agriculture sector, meeting CAADP, SDGs and Food Systems targets by 2030 and to solicit stronger accountability of the AGRF partners in delivering on commitments.

Moderator: Ms. Aggie Konde, Vice President, AGRA

Welcome Remarks
- Ms. Jennifer Baarn, Managing Director, AGRF

Framing Keynote Remarks: Our Future with Business as Usual
- Mr. Maximo Torero, Chief Economist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Council of the Wise Panel Discussion
- H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Chair, AGRF Partners Group and Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia
- H.E. Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, Former President, Nigeria and Outgoing Chair of the Africa Food Prize Committee
- H.E. Jakaya Kikwete, Former President, Tanzania and Incoming Chair of the Africa Food Prize Committee
- H.E. John Kufuor, Former President, Ghana
- H.E. Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, Former President, Liberia
- H.E. Joyce Banda, Former President, Malawi
- H.E. Lionel Zinsou, Former Prime Minister, Benin
- H.E. Ibrahim Hassane Mayaki, Former Prime Minister, Niger
- Rt. Hon. Tony Blair, Executive Chairman, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change
- H.E. Mary Therese Winifred Robinson, Former President of Ireland, and chair of the Women Leaders Network
Mr. Tidjiane Thiam, Former CEO, Credit Suisse
Mr. Donald Kaberuka, Former President, African Development Bank (AfDB)

Moderator Closing Remarks

10:30 - 11:00 - Coffee Break / Press Conference

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
11:30 – 12:30 Invest in Senegal
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Senegal Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
11:30 – 12:30 Invest in Angola
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: Government Angola Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

11:00 - 13:00 Special Event - CEO Roundtable - Financing Food Systems Transformation
Venue: MH1
Chair: Agribusiness Working Group, FAA and L4Ag
Hybrid

Moderator:
- H.E. Amb. David Lane, President, The Annenberg Foundation Trust at Sunnylands

Fireside Chat:
- Hon. Dr. Uzziel Ndagijimana, Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, Rwanda
- Mr. Mostafa Terrab, CEO, OCP Group

Roundtable Discussion
- Mr. Mostafa Terrab, CEO, OCP Group
- Mr. Jai Shroff, CEO, UPL
- Mr. Vimal Shah, CEO, BIDCO
Perhaps the most critical component of Food Systems in Africa, certainly the most visible to the majority of Households, is the Food Market. Households across the continent depend on food markets to provide them with access to nutrition. However, with recent disruptions caused by COVID-19 and the Russia-Ukraine war, how can we build diverse food markets that will secure our most vulnerable communities against malnutrition and undernutrition?

Moderator: **Ms. Lindiwe Sibanda**, Director, Centre of Excellence in Food Security, University of Pretoria
Welcome and Framing Remarks:
- Ms. Temitope Adegoroye, Managing Partner, Sahel Consulting

Panel Discussion:
- Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Nigeria
- Mr. Daan Wensing, CEO, IDH
- Mr. Nico Janssen, Programme Manager, Agricultural Livelihoods, IKEA Foundation
- Mr. Michael Ojo, Nigeria Country Director, GAIN
- H.E. Lionel Zinsou, Board Member, Danone and Former Prime Minister of Benin
- Dr. Telesphore Ndabamenye, Technical Advisor, Rockefeller
- Mr. Chris Hegadorn, Secretary, Committee on World Food Security (CFS)
- Ms. Betelhem Lakew, Youth Leader, #Act4Food #Act4Change
- Ms. Lynn Brown, Director of Alliances and Policy, HarvestPlus
- Mr. Mohamed Fall, Regional Director for Eastern and Southern Africa, UNICEF
- Mr. Ibrahima Coulibaly, Network of Farmers and Producers Organizations in West Africa (ROPPA)
- Ms. Fannie Gondwe, Founder and Executive Director, Perisha Agro and Packaging Enterprise
- Mr. Bill Rustrick, CEO, Clinton Development Initiative (CDI)
- Dr. Gabriel Rugalema, Regional Director, World Vegetable Centre

11:00 - 13:00 Bringing the latest in appropriate technology to African food systems, SMEs, and farmers: Mechanization, Digital Tools, Irrigation, & Energy
Venue: MH2
Chair: Markets and Infrastructure TP
In-person

COVID-19 has exacerbated challenges to Africa’s food and agriculture sector and to its millions of smallholder farmers. At the same time, the pandemic has accelerated innovative efforts to develop and deploy the transformative power of digital technology to address these problems in ways that leapfrog past practices and traditional solutions.

This session will showcase the latest on new digital technologies and infrastructure developments targeted at farmers and SMEs across the continent.

Moderator:
- Ms. Robynne Anderson, President, Emerging Ag Inc

Welcome and Framing Remarks:
- Mr. Martin Fregene, Director of Agriculture and Agro-Industry, African Development Bank (AfDB)

Keynote Remarks:
- Mr. Simeon Ehui, Regional Director for Sustainable Development for Africa, World Bank
Mr. T R Kesavan, Group President - Corporate Relations & Alliances, Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited (TAFE)

Presentation - Mechanised Conservation Agriculture
Mr. Godfrey Omulo, Agricultural and Biosystems Engineer; University of Hohenheim

Panel Discussion:
- Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe, Minister of Agriculture, Tanzania
- Ms. Beauty Manake, Assistant Minister of Trade and Industry, Botswana
- Mr. Johnson Kiragu, East Africa Director, Partners in Food Solutions (PFS)
- Ms. Kristina Skierka, CEO, Power for All
- Mr. Elad Levi, Vice President, Head of Middle East & Africa, Netafim
- Mr. Nel Stephan, Head of Sales, East Africa & Middle East, John Deere Africa Middle East
- Dr. Canisius K. Kanangire, CEO, African Agriculture Technology Foundation (AATF)
- Mr. Stephen Morin, Lebanon Economic Growth Office Director, USAID
- Mr. Bram Govaerts, Director General, CIMMYT
- Ms. Zoe Karl-Waithaka, Partner, BCG Group Kenya
- Ms. Sugra T. Mahmood, Deputy Director, Irrigation Agriculture and Crop Development, Federal Department of Agricultural (FDA)

Closing Remarks

11:00 - 13:00 South-South Cooperation: Leadership from the Americas and Asia
Venue: MH3
Chairs: IICA, AGRA & IFAD
Hybrid

The Global South has a majority of the world’s population and landmass, and, according to the OECD, may also account for a majority of world GDP by 2030. In this session, leaders from Africa, Asia and the Americas will share experiences, lessons and ambitions for the next phase of development. Cooperation is paramount, with the session revealing how countries in the Global South can forge, then leverage, closer political, economic, financial and cultural ties; solving shared problems while creating new opportunities.

Moderator:
- Mr. Juan Lucas Restrepo, Global Director of Partnerships and Advocacy, CGIAR and Director-General of the Alliance of Bioversity International and the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT)

Co-Host Welcome Remarks
- Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA
- Dr. Manuel Otero, Director General, Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)

Framing Remarks on Africa-Americas Cooperation
- Prof. Jean Jacques Muhinda, Regional Head, East Africa, AGRA
- Mr. Jorge Werthein, Senior Adviser to the Director General, IICA
Fireside Chat: South-South Cooperation
- **Prof. Shenggen Fan**, Professor Chair, China Agricultural University
- **Dr. Godfrey Bahigwa**, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, African Union Commission
- **Dr. Naoko Ishii**, Executive Vice President, Director for Center for Global Commons, University of Tokyo, Japan

Roundtable Discussion
- **Hon. Olegario dos Anjos Banze**, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Mozambique
- **Hon. Antoine Lekpa Antoine Gbegbeni**, Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Rural Development, Republic of Togo
- **Minister of Trade, Rwanda**
- **H.E. Amb. Christine Nkulikiyinka**, CEO, Rwanda Cooperation Initiative
- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Brazil**
- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Guyana**
- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Barbados**
- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Republic of Costa Rica**
- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Suriname**
- **Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Bahamas**
- **Mr. Chandrajit Banerjee**, Director General, Confederation of Indian Industries
- **Ms. Bev Postma**, Executive Director, Grow Asia
- **Amb. Asghar Ali Golo**, Pakistani Ambassador to the African Union
- **Amb. Xuekun Wang**, Chinese Ambassador to Rwanda
- **Dr. Jacqueline d’Arros Hughes**, Director-General, ICRISAT
- **Mr. Simon Winter**, Executive Director, Syngenta Foundation

Moderator Closing Remarks

11:00-13:00 Leveraging Data to Improve Intra-Africa Food Trade
Venue: Auditorium
Chair: Regional Food Trade TP
In-person

Regional food trade is one of the pathways for Africa’s recovery. It can be a critical driver in building resilient food systems and an important engine for sustainable economic growth. The intended outcome of this session will be to gather commitments and encourage governments to align national and regional strategies and policies to support the successful implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Area. Furthermore, this session will also seek to gain commitment from development partners and private sector, to support the building of robust data systems to strengthen and inform food and nutrition security, trade policies, address constraints to food trade, and guide investment decisions in regional food value chains in Africa.

**Moderator: Dr. Apollos Nwafor**, Vice-President, Policy & State Capability, AGRA
Welcome and Framing Remarks:
- **Mr. Daniel Njiva**, Head of Regional Food Trade and Secretariat, Regional Food Trade Coalition

Presentation of the Key Findings of the Africa Trade Status Monitor (ASTM)
- **Dr. Ousmane Badiane**, Founder and Executive Chairperson, Akademiya 2063

Panel Discussion:
- **Hon. Chipoka Mulenga**, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia
- **Hon. Dr Ashatu K. Kijaji**, Minister of Investment, Industry and Trade, Tanzania
- **Hon. Masuku Phelela**, Minister of Lands, Agriculture and Rural Resettlement, Zimbabwe
- **Hon. Wamkele Mene**, Secretary General, African Continental Free Trade Area Secretariat
- **Hon. Dr Omar Touray**, President, ECOWAS Commission
- **Mr. Peter Mathuki**, Secretary General, East African Community
- **Hon. Chileshe Kapwepwe**, General Secretary of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
- **Ms. Maura Barry Boyle**, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Resilience & Food Security, USAID
- **Mr. Mansoor Ahmad MBE**, Group Head, Africa Economic Development, FCDO UK’s Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office
- **Mr. Johan Swinnen**, Director General, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
- **Mr. David Phiri**, FAO Sub-Regional Coordinator for Eastern Africa

Launch of The Regional Food Balance Sheet
- **Dr. Agnes Kalibata**, President, AGRA and Host of the AGRF Secretariat
- **Hon. Chileshe Kapwepwe**, General Secretary of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
- **Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe**, Minister of Agriculture, Tanzania
- **Hon. Reuben Phiri Mtolo**, Minister of Agriculture and Livestock, Zambia

Closing remarks by the moderator

**11:00 - 13:00 Generation Africa, Pitch Agrihack Winners’ Showcase**

Venue: MH4  
Chair: Generation Africa  
Hybrid

Heifer International is sponsoring the 2022 Pitch AgriHack Competition, targeting African businesses that bring technological innovation to the agriculture industry. The competition will identify and amplify efforts by young innovators to build resilience beyond COVID-19 through digital agriculture products and services. These innovations should be scalable and generate measurable impact in Africa’s food systems. Winners of the competition will receive funding and continued support to scale up their innovations into products that can help transform the entire sector.
Welcome remarks

- **Ms. Sherrie Silver**, UN IFAD Advocate for Rural Youth, Emcee for Generation Africa
- **Mr. Dickson Naftali**, Head, Generation Africa

Judges:

- **Mr. Jehiel Oliver**, Founder & CEO, Hello Tractor
- **Mr. Dayo Adoruja**, Youth & Innovation Lead, Heifer International
- **Ms. Peris Bosire**, Founder & CEO, FarmDrive
- **Ms. Isis Nyon’go Madison**, Principal, Asphalt & Ink
- **H.E. Joe Mucher**, EGH, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Information and Communications, Kenya

Pitch AgriHack Finalists Pitches

- **12 Young Agripreneur Finalists pitches**

Closing remarks and word of thanks

- **Ms. Jennifer Baarn**, Managing Director, AGRF
- **Mr. Dickson Naftali**, Head, Generation Africa

13:00 – 14:30 – Lunch Break

14:30 - 16:30 Special Event - Youth Town Hall

**Venue:** MH4  
**Chair:** Generation Africa  
**Hybrid**

In Africa, the population of young people is growing rapidly. In 2015, 226 million youth aged 15-24 lived in Africa. By 2030, it is projected that the number of youths in Africa will have increased by 42 per cent. Africa’s youth population is expected to continue to grow throughout the remainder of the 21st century, more than doubling from current levels by 2055. Agriculture provides the single most important platform for employment, income generation and food security and can drive poverty reduction through increased productivity, value addition and links to other sectors. The youth population has however not been well harnessed for Agriculture and food systems transformation. Most young people don’t often see a future in agriculture; they see it as a back breaking labour that is a preserve of the uneducated people. They also face series of hurdles, including access to land, finance, and other productive resources necessary to start a viable agriculture-based livelihood. This consequently leads to youth taking up agriculture as the last remedy amongst other business and employment opportunities.

**Moderator:** **Ms. Nozipho Mbanjwa**, Anchor

**Special Guest Remarks**

**Dr. Agnes Kalibata**, President, AGRA and Host of the AGRF Secretariat
In Conversation with African Youth

- H.E. President, Senegal
- Ms. Reeta Roy, President and CEO, Mastercard Foundation
- Ms. Barbara Stinson, President, The World Food Prize Foundation and World Food Prize Winner

Youth Panel: Nothing About Us, Without Us

- Youth speakers

Closing remarks:
- Rt. Hon. Édouard Ngirente, Prime Minister of Rwanda

14:30 - 16:30 VALUE4HER
Venue: MH2a
Chair: Women in Agriculture TP
In-person

In agriculture and food systems, when women are enabled to access resources, they are well able to not only increase agricultural productivity but also increased income that contributes to better adaptation to climate change through technologies that contribute to sustainable farming and conservation.

This session will unpack opportunities for directing investments to women led ag businesses. Using an evidence-based approach, the session will create a platform for establishing scalable mechanisms that build resilience in agriculture and food systems while demonstrating the impact of access to resources for this group. As women are very often on the frontline of livelihoods and adapting to the effects of climate change, they are powerful agents of change and promoters of adaptation and mitigation action. Their knowledge and experience make for a compelling business case to achieve lasting changes leading to positive development outcomes and tangible impact.

Moderator: Ms. Aggie Konde, Vice President, AGRA

Welcome and Framing Remarks:
- Ms. Sabdiyo Dido, SME and Gender Expert

Keynote Remarks:
- Hon. Prof. Jeannette Bayisenge, Minister of Gender and Family Promotion, Rwanda
- Hon. Harjit S. Sajjan, Minister of International Development, Global Affairs Canada

Panel Discussion - Women-Led Businesses
Moderator: Ms. Redi Tlhabi, Anchor, UN Global Journalists Corps
Ms. Beatrice Gakuba, Founder and Executive Director, AWAN Africa
Ms. Adanne Uche, CEO, Ady’s Agro Processing Limited
Ms. Sipamandla Manqele, Founder, Local Village Foods
Ms. Towera Jalakasi, Founder, Malawi Naturals Limited
Ms. Judy Matu, Founder and National Chairlady, Association of Women in Agriculture, Kenya (AWAK)

Presenting New Evidence on Women and Climate Adaptation & Nutrition
- Dr. Susan Kaaria, Director, AWARD
- Dr. Nicoline de Haan, Platform Director, CGIAR GENDER Platform
- Mr. Tony Simons, Executive Director, CIFOR-ICRAF

Panel Discussion - Supporting SME Growth
Moderator: Ms. Redi Tlhabi, Anchor, UN Global Journalists Corps

- Ms. Beauty Manake, Assistant Minister of Trade and Industry, Botswana
- Ms. Nalan Yuksel, Regional Director, Pan-Africa & Development, Global Affairs Canada
- Mr. Santiago Alba-Corral, Director, Climate Resilient Food Programs, IDRC
- Ms. Christine Campeau, Global Advocacy Director, Food Systems, CARE
- Ms. Vicki Wilde, Senior Program Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Mr. Mehrdad Ehsani, Vice President for the Food Initiative in Africa, The Rockefeller Foundation
- Ms. Victoria Sabula, CEO, Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund (AECF)

Wrap-up and Closing Remarks:
- Ms. Vanessa Adams, Vice President, Strategic Partnerships & Chief of Party, AGRA
- Ms. Maura Barry Boyle, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Resilience & Food Security, USAID

14:30 - 16:30 AGRA Strategy Launch
Venue: TBC

This session will highlight AGRA’s results and journey since 2006 as well as the new strategy for 2023-2027. This platform provides an opportunity to reengage existing participants and potential partners to showcase AGRA’s continuous effort in leveraging its learnings to deliver stronger, more resilient food systems on the continent.
14:30 - 16:30 Interactive Dialogue with African Food Systems National Convenors

Venue: AD12
(By invitation only)

In the context of the AGRF 2022 Summit, the African Union, the United Nations Food Systems Coordination Hub and the Food workstream of the United Nations Global Crisis Response Group on Food Energy and Finance (GCRG), will convene the first in-person regional dialogue with African Food Systems National Convenors. The closed session will be by invitation only.

In a global, regional and national context drastically impacted by the triple food, energy and finance crisis, the interactive dialogue will provide a unique space for National Convenors from the Africa region, to engage in a strategic exchange with the leadership of the African Union, the UN Food Systems Coordination Hub, the Global Crisis Response Group and AGRA.

Moderator:
- **Mr. Boaz Keizire**, Head, Policy & Advocacy, AGRA

Opening Remarks:
- **Dr. Stefanos Fotiou**, Director, Office of Sustainable Development Goals, FAO
- **Mr. Martin Bwalya**, Director for Agriculture, Knowledge Management and Programme Evaluation (KMPE), AUDA-NEPAD

High-Impact Panel
- **Dr. David Nabarro**, UN Response Group and Strategic Director, 4SD
- **Dr. Agnes Kalibata**, President, AGRA and Host of the AGRF Secretariat
- **Mr. Martin Bwalya**, Director for Agriculture, Knowledge Management and Programme Evaluation (KMPE), AUDA-NEPAD
- **Nigeria PE Finance and Food Systems Convenor**

Interactive dialogue with National Convenors

Deep-Dive on Implementing and Financing Food Systems Transformation in Africa
- **Ms. Sylvia Lopez-Ekra**, Deputy, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub
- **Ms. Nadine Gbossa**, Chief, Means of Implementation, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub
- **Ms. Geeta Sethi**, Advisor and Global Lead for Food Systems, World Bank
AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
14:30 – 15:30 Invest in Togo
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Togo Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
14:30 – 15:30 Invest in Malawi
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: Government Malawi Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
16:00 – 17:00 Invest in Mali
Venue: AD11
Organizers: Government Mali Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
16:00 – 17:00 Invest in Nigeria
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: Government Nigeria Delegation

Presentation of Strategic investment opportunities targeted at private sector investors looking to set up operations or trade with the country, Development Finance Institutions supporting implementation of public projects, financial providers providing both debt and equity financing to ag-businesses and institutional investors financing large projects.

16:30 – 17:00 – Coffee Break
Times of crisis are times of change. The past few years have been characterised by war, pandemics and extreme weather events. A shattered status quo means that new visions emerge, and as the dust settles the opportunity arises to rebuild in a way that learns from the past while looking to the future. We are in such a moment; this session debates how we react. Leading individuals from trade, development, health, finance and international civil society will discuss how to safeguard local, regional, national and international food systems, highlighting the opportunities that must be grasped and changes that must be made to build resilience for a more dynamic, more uncertain world in the midst of geopolitical and economic tumult.

Moderator: Mr. Jeff Koinange, Anchor

Setting the Scene:
- **Mr. Joe Studwell**, Author, Journalist

Keynote:
- **Ms. Samantha Power**, Administrator, USAID

High-level Panelists
- **Hon. Charles Mve Ellah**, Minister of Agriculture, Gabon
- **Mr Daniel Simeon Kelema**, Permanent Secretary Min of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries, Mali
- **Hon. Bwino Fred Kyakulaga**, State Minister of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries, Uganda
- **H.E. Ibrahim Hassane Mayaki**, Former Prime Minister, Niger
- **Mr. Khalid Bomba**, Managing Director, Agrifood Transformation Agency Support Center (TASC)
- **Mr. Acha Leke**, Senior Partner, McKinsey & Co
- **Dr. Sandy Thomas**, Director, Global Panel on Agriculture and Food Systems for Nutrition
- **Ms. Frannie Leautier**, Senior Partner, SouthBridge Group and CEO, SouthBridge Investments
- **Dr. Vera Songwe**, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary UNECA
- **Hon. Dr Omar Touray**, President, ECOWAS Commission
- **Mr. Wamkele Mene**, Secretary General, AfCFTA - African Continental Free Trade Area
- **Mr. Sidi Ould Tah**, Director-General, Arab Bank for Economic Development of Africa, BADEA
- **Ms. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala**, Director General, World Trade Organization
- **Dr. John N. Nkengasong**, Director, Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention

Moderator Closing Remarks
09:00 - 10:30 Food Innovation Hubs: Taking Innovation to Scale
Venue: MH3
Chair: Food Innovation Hubs
In-person

Innovation is critical to food systems transformation: Innovations in technology, climate mitigation and adaptation, inputs, alternative proteins and business models across the agricultural value chain abound. Yet many fail to go to scale, reflecting the systemic nature of agricultural value chains and food systems. This session looks at some of the common barriers to scale and discusses the role of innovation incubators, hubs and other models for knowledge sharing and scaling of innovation.

Welcome and Framing Remarks by the Moderator:
- **Mr. Sean de Cleene**, Member of the Executive Committee, Head of the Future of Food, World Economic Forum

Opening Remarks:
- **Hon. Mariam Almheiri**, Minister of Climate Change and Environment, United Arab Emirates and Co-Lead, Food Innovation Hubs

Firestarter remarks: Challenges to scale
- **Mr. Kees Aarts**, Founder and CEO, Protix
- **Mr. Claude Munyangabo**, CEO, BK Techouse
- **Ms. Anna Marie Silvester**, Innovation Team Lead, Microsoft
- **Mr. Akintunde Akinwande**, Head of Digital and Business Development Nigeria, Middle Africa, OCP Africa
- **Mr. Kunal Prasad**, Co-Founder, Cropin Technology

Panel Discussion: Building Eco-systems for Scale
- **Mr. Eugene Kandel**, CEO, Start Up Nation Central
- **Ms. Tesi Rusagara**, Managing Director, Kigali Innovation City
- **Mr. Mehrdad Ehsani**, Vice President for the Food Initiative in Africa, The Rockefeller Foundation
- **Mr. Jonathan First**, Consultant, Climate Policy Initiative
- **Mr. Jeremie Pige**, Head of IGNITE – WFP Innovation Hub for Eastern Africa
- **Ms. Amandla Ooko-Ombaka**, Economist and Associate Partner, McKinsey
- **Mr. Parmesh Shah**, Global Lead for Rural Livelihoods and Agricultural Jobs, World Bank

Closing Remarks and Special Announcement
- **Hon. Gerardine Mukeshimana**, Minister of Agriculture & Animal Resources
09:00-10:30 The cow in the room – the role milk, meat, and eggs play in sustainable food systems transformation

Venue: AD12
Chair: Sustainable Livestock Coalition and ILRI/GASL

Hybrid

The 2021 UNFSS highlighted multiple perspectives on the livestock sector. On the one hand, governments and development professionals stressed the numerous benefits that different livestock systems provide to the transformation of food systems in many countries. On the other, many focused on the harms of livestock systems to the environment and the health of humans. Livestock-derived foods are essential building blocks of balanced diets, yet they have a delicate interface with human health and the environment. African countries’ challenge is to foster a positive transition that contributes to food and nutrition security and livelihoods without damaging the environment or human health. This session will look at specific cases of livestock contributions to food systems transformation and draw out lessons learned in transforming the sector.

Moderator: Ms. Shirley Tarawali, Assistant DG, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) and Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock (GASL)

Welcome and Framing Remarks:
• Ms. Adesuwa Ifedi, Vice President, Africa Heifer International

Keynote Remarks:
• Dr. Iain Wright, Deputy DG, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)

Four ‘rapid-fire’ case presentations with a focus on different aspects of food systems transformation: environment/climate, gender/youth, region, and value chain diversity

Panel Discussion:
• Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Chad
• Ms. Emma Naluyima, Smallholder Farmer, Uganda
• Mr. Ishmael Sunga, CEO, Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU)
• Mr. Faustin Mbundu Kananura, Executive Chairman, MFK Group Rwanda
• Mr. Ekko Oosterhuis, Managing Director, Silverlands Tanzania Ltd.
• Mr. Gbola Adesogan, Director, Food Systems Institute, Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Livestock Systems
• Mr. Geoffrey Kirenga, CEO, SAGCOT Centre
• Ms. Elizabeth Swai, CEO and Founder, AKM Glitters Company Limited
• Farmer representative
09:00-10:30 Accelerating Youth Employment in Food Systems and Agriculture

Venue: MH4
Chair: Generation Africa
Hybrid

Over 10 million young Africans join the labor force each year, yet the continent creates only 3.7 million jobs annually. By 2035, more young people will be entering Africa’s workforce each year than in the rest of the globe combined. There is an opportunity to reduce the unemployment rate by encouraging the youth to join the food systems as agripreneurs. Generation Africa has designed a youth in Ag Ecosystem development framework through Generation Africa. The tool will ensure that Governments are able to coordinate collaborative actions from different actors to focus on creating an enabling environment that will ensure the youth are accounted for in the development and inclusion.

Moderator: Mr. Simon Winter, Executive Director, Syngenta Foundation

Welcome and Framing Remarks:
- Mr. Dickson Naftali, Head, Generation Africa

Keynote remarks – Rwanda’s Perspective:
- Hon. Rosemary Mbabazi, Minister of Youth and Culture, Rwanda

Presentation of Youth Employment Development Framework
- Mr. Henry Lagat, Associate Partnership Officer, Generation Africa

Panel Discussion:
- Hon. Moussa Baldé, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Equipment, Senegal
- Dr. Donal Brown, Associate Vice President, Programme Management, IFAD
- Ms. Maureen Muketha, Youth Leader, #Act4Food #Act4Change
- Ms. Oluwaseun Sangoleye, CEO, Baby Grubz
- Mr. Daniel Hailu, Regional Director, Eastern and Southern Africa, Mastercard Foundation
- Mr. Pascal Murasira, Managing Director - East Africa, Norrsken Foundation
- Mr. Amadou Fall, IT specialist and Technical lead on 1000 Digital Villages initiative in Senegal, FAO
- Mr. Simon O’Connell, CEO, SNV
- Ms. Jane Lowicki-Zucca, Senior Youth Advisor, USAID
- Mr. Edson Mpyisi, Chief Financial Economist, Coordinator ENABLE Youth Programme, African Development Bank (AfDB)
- Ms. Subhashini Chandran, Head of Social Impact, Africa & Asia, YARA
- Ms. Betty Kiplagat, Government Affairs Leader, Africa & the Middle East, Corteva
- Ms. Almas Jiwani, President of Emeritus UN Women Canada NC and CEO of Almas Jiwani Foundation
In his Wealth of Nations, published 1776, Adam Smith posed a famous paradox: why is water, so necessary for life, worth so much less than diamonds, which are not? Almost 250 years later, food markets remain some of the most essential, extensive and complex on earth. With insights from leading policymakers, researchers, experts and advocates, this session will unpack the critical role of food in development, highlighting new ways to think about food and food markets, the impact of subsidies and buying cartels, alongside strategies for resilience, sustainability, access, inclusion and organisation in food systems.

Moderator: Mr. Roy Steiner, Senior Vice President, Rockefeller Foundation

Keynote Remarks – The True Value of Food in Africa
- Mr. Peter Bakker, CEO, World Business Council for Sustainable Development

Panel Discussion:
- Mr. Biendi Maganga-Moussavou, Former Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Food, Gabon
- Hon. Dr Jeanne d’Arc Mujawamariya, Minister of Environment, Rwanda
- Dr. Lawrence Haddad, Executive Director, GAIN
- Prof. Sheryl Hendricks, Head of Department and Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics, Extension, and Rural Development, University of Pretoria, South Africa
- Mr. Tabi Joda, Expert in Local Communities’ Ecosystems Resilience
- Mr. Ben Valk, Global Head Food and Agri Partnerships, Rabobank
- Ms. Helena Lurent, Director General, Consumers International
- Mr. Francois Nsengiyumva, Managing Director and CEO, Kilimo General Business Ltd
- Mr. Amar Ali, President, Africa Region, Royal DSM
This session will also explore the ‘high risk’ label attached to agricultural investments and its gender and climate dimensions. We will also explore the need to maximize the de-risking instruments available in the market.

Welcome and Framing Remarks by the moderator: Mr. Frank Braeken, Board Member, AGRA

Panel discussion:

- Ministers TBC
- Ms. Diane Karusisi, CEO, Bank of Kigali
- Ms. Hong Thuy-Patterson, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operations Officer, Green Climate Fund
- Mr. Jules Ngankam, CEO, Africa Guarantee Fund
- Mr. Ibrahima Cheikh-Diong, UN-ASG and Director-General, Africa Risk Capacity Group
- Mr. Yosuke Kotsuji, Acting Manager of Agribusiness and Forestry, IFC Africa
- Ms. Samirah Ade-Adebiyi, Managing Director, AFEX Investments (AFIL)
- Mr. Jerry Parkes, CEO, Injaro Investments
- Mr. Birama Sidibe, CEO, Interface
- Ms. Atsuko Toda, Director Agricultural Finance and Rural Infrastructure, AfDB
- Mr. Ben Valk, Global Head Food and Agri Partnerships, Rabobank
- Ms. Dianah Mukundwa, Head of Investment and Social Impact, Equity Bank (Rwanda)
- Dr. Jack Kayonga, CEO, Crystal Venture Ltd

AGRIBUSINESS DEALROOM
09:30 – 11:00 Harnessing and Scaling Digital Agriculture
Venue: Dealroom Marquee
Organizers: AGRA/HEIFER

The overall objective of the session is to review the role of digital technology in catalyzing, enabling, and supporting the scaling up of agriculture and food security solutions, including innovation, good practices for transitions from trials and pilot projects. The session will also discuss how digital is transforming lives and improve livelihoods in agriculture by helping to secure savings, find affordable insurance and tools to manage risk, increase access to financial services, providing employment and business opportunities.

Moderator: Mr. Nixon Gecheo, Senior Program Officer – Digital Systems & Solutions for Agriculture, AGRA

Speakers:

- Mr. Jean Claude Munyangabo, CEO, BK Techouse
- Mr. Sriram Bharatam, Founder & Chief Mentor, Kuza Biashara
- Ms. Anna-Marie Silvester, Software team lead, Microsoft
- Mr. Jehiel Oliver, CEO, Hello Tractor
• Mr. Kwabena Frimpong, Regional Director – Africa, IGNITIA
• Mr. Yusuf Oguntola, Chief Technology Officer, AFEX

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00 Closing Plenary: Stronger Together
Venue: Auditorium
Chair: Secretariat
Hybrid

Moderator: Ms. Fiona Mbabazi, Anchor

Welcome Remarks
• Ms. Jennifer Baarn, Managing Director, AGRF

Framing Remarks:
• Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Founder and Executive Chairperson, Akademiya 2063

Keynote remarks Mr. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA - African Continental Free Trade Area

Panel Discussion – Reinforcing Global Cooperation for Food Systems
• African Minister of Trade
• Representative of the Government of Denmark
• Hon. Shri Narendra Singh Tomar, Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, India
• H.E. Amb. Hans Hoogeveen, Independent Council Chairperson, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
• Mr. Jorge Werthein, Senior Adviser to the Director General, IICA
• Mr. Yerlan Alimzhany Baidaulet, Director General, Islamic Organization for Food Security
• Mr. Jai Shroff, CEO, UPL
• Ms. Anne Nuorgam, Chair, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
• H.E. Amb. Ertharin Cousin, Founder and CEO, Food Systems for the Future and Former Executive Director, WFP
• Dr. Claudia Sadoff, Managing Director, Research Delivery and Impact of the CGIAR System Organization
• Ms. Diane Karusisi, CEO, Bank of Kigali

AGRF Highlights Video from the Week

Synthesis, Key Messages, and Outcomes of AGRF Summit 2022
• Ms. Jennifer Baarn, Managing Director, AGRF

Thematic Platform Highlights and call for Action
• Mr. Adam Gerstenmier, Executive Director, Food Action Alliance

Key Announcements and Award Ceremony Celebrations
• Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA and Host of the AGRF Secretariat

Closing remarks & AGRF Host country 2023 Announcement
• H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Chair, AGRF Partners Group and Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia

Official Closing Remarks and Passing the Baton to the AGRF Summit 2023 Host
• Rt. Hon. Édouard Ngirente, Prime Minister of Rwanda

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