



The United Republic of Tanzania



AFRICA FOOD SYSTEMS FORUM 2023

Recover, Regenerate, Act:
Africa's Solutions to Food Systems Transformation



FORUM PROGRAM

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OVERVIEW



Global food systems are facing unprecedented challenges from climate change, the Russia-Ukraine crisis, population growth, economic downturn, youth unemployment, gender gap, and other pressing issues; the need for transformative action has never been more urgent. The Africa Food Systems Forum 2023 Summit will be the defining moment in highlighting and unlocking the political, policy, and financial commitments and innovations the continent has made and continues to work towards achieving productive, nutritious, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable food systems in Africa. The Summit seeks to explore the pathways and actions needed to accelerate this process and steer the continent toward food systems transformation under the theme “Recover, Regenerate, Act: Africa’s Solutions to Food Systems Transformation.”

The Summit will provide a platform to reflect on the coordinated large-scale action by the continent’s leading thinkers, policymakers, and innovators to explore the latest breakthroughs and best practices in agriculture and food systems transformation. This Summit calls for bold thought leadership to accelerate action toward translating food systems pathways and commitments into actionable strategies, investments targeting youth and women, and progress.

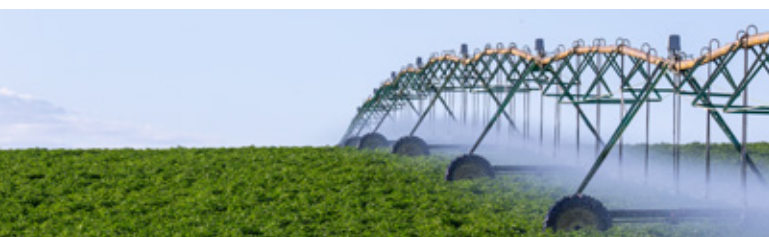


MAIN ACTIVITIES



SIDE EVENTS

Several organizations will host various side events highlighting initiatives, solutions, and possibilities for transforming African Food Systems on the continent and outside. The events will feature various speakers and programs, all of which are centered around the main theme of the Summit and the principle of diversity and inclusion. It is expected that the events will be inclusive of individuals from different genders and age groups.



FIELD VISITS

Site visits to innovative projects or agri-business facilities will allow attendees to experience Tanzanian food systems solutions firsthand. These will possess a strong process orientation and appreciation of promising agricultural value chains and food systems from blue economy to cash crops and staple crops. It is a great opportunity to provide insights and direct experience with real-life initiatives and activities through agri-businesses tourism.



PARTNER EVENTS

Parallel sessions will advance AGRF's thematic platforms, which have been prioritized for AGRF to deliver under its current strategy against its priority goals. Each session will include special interactive elements, insightful panels, and breakouts to get your feedback.





MAIN PARTNERS

GOOD MORNING AGRF

Each morning, youth coming from GoGettaZ, from the host country, and various youth organizations will get us excited about the tracks and events of the day.

PLENARY SESSIONS

These plenary sessions feature pre-eminent speakers taking a deep dive into the various themes and unpacking issues pertinent to African food systems.

INTELLIGENCE FOR POLICY, INNOVATION PROGRAMS & INVESTMENTS THEMATIC SESSIONS

The Intelligence for Policy, Programs & Innovation Thematic Sessions will prioritize the development of the thematic platforms and support the goals of the event. These sessions will focus on knowledge and data for innovative policies, programs and investments, emphasizing the following themes: Power of data, information & research for sustainable food systems; Regenerative agriculture & resilient food systems; Infrastructure and logistics for food transformation and trade; the Africa Agricultural Trade Monitor (AATM).

FUTURE OF FOOD SYSTEMS

The Future of Food Systems sessions will serve as the Innovators showcase, highlighting the way forward for Africa's food systems advancement in terms of availability, affordability, accessibility, and sustainability. The sessions will focus on priority agricultural commodity value chains and agroecological zones, providing a red thread through the program. At the end of each day, reflections will be made to bring together the various tracks into common themes and results.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Summit will feature special events designed to showcase ideas and trending innovations by the youth, farmers, civil society, and business leaders.

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CEO CHAT

An interactive parallel panel of distinguished CEOs and leaders discussing key insights on shaping the future of food systems. Sharing innovative and sustainable food systems solutions and practices to tackle global challenges. The CEO Chat includes influential financial and business industries speakers addressing the audience on critical food systems topics, including youth and women, digital, innovative, and blended financing.

DEAL ROOM

The Agribusiness Dealroom is a matchmaking platform that convenes stakeholders from the entire eco-system to facilitate partnerships and investments in African agriculture and Food systems. It specifically supports governments and SMEs with access to finance and partnership opportunities. A key moment which attracts annually over 800 companies, 15 government delegations and 150 public and private investors exploring a wide range of investment opportunities.

LEGACY PROGRAM ROUNDTABLE

A key moment during the summit, at the Roundtable, the Government of the Republic of Tanzania brings together Tanzania's bilateral donor countries and, Financial Institutions, Investors to pledge and support the Implementation of a Tanzania Flagship BBT legacy investment program on food systems with a focus on Youth and women.

L'ARBRE À PALABRES (BREAKTROUGH TREE)

Throughout the AGRF, join our special venue to hear from a wide array of innovators on food systems breakthroughs. In a more conversational forum in our interactive stage, join chefs, inventors, authors, academics, policymakers, and small businesses as they describe the techniques to break through to a food system that is more inclusive, sustainable, profitable, and nutritious.

TEDX TALKS AT AGRF

Tedx is a grassroots initiative created in the spirit of TED's overall mission to research and discover "ideas worth spreading." TEDx will bring the spirit of TED to AGRF local communities around the globe through TEDx events. It seeks to uncover new ideas and to share the latest research in their local areas that spark conversations on Food Systems Transformation. Seven African youth leaders, including young women telling their stories on transforming food systems on the continent.



PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

DAY 00 – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2023

Field visits

You will have an opportunity to observe food systems solutions directly through visits to groundbreaking projects or agri-business facilities. These experiences will emphasize a focus on the process and an understanding of the most promising agricultural value chains both on the mainland and in Zanzibar. This presents an excellent chance to gain knowledge and practical experience of real-world initiatives, it will be a great opportunity to get to know the host country and promote Agri tourism. An experience to Zanzibar is planned in the program, particularly to discover the Tanzanian blue economy. Another one will be in mainland Tanzania where we will dive into local commodities and agricultural value chains of the country.

[Click Here for the selection of Field Visit sites](#)

DAY 0 – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2023

Side events: Diversity and Inclusion

Several organizations will host various side events highlighting initiatives and possibilities for transforming African Food Systems. The events will feature various speakers and programs, all of which are centered around the main theme of the AGRF 2023 and will focus on diversity and inclusion. The focus will be on engaging youth and women along agri-food systems value chains. Deal rooms will also happen in parallel to the side events.

[Click Here for the list of Side Events](#)

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L'ARBRE À PALABRES

Breakthroughs Tree/Speakers Corner

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DEAL ROOM

4-8 September 2023

Will be a key moment during the summit where the Government of the Republic of Tanzania will bring together Tanzania bilateral donor countries and, financial Institutions, Investors to pledge and support the Implementation of a Tanzania Flagship Program namely "Build Better Tomorrow" (BBT) legacy program on food systems with a focus on Youth and women.

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DAY 1: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH 2023 RECOVER

TIME	SESSION
7:00 – 9:00	Deal Room
7:00 – 9:00	<p>Tanzania Showcase</p> <p>Crops, Livestock and Fisheries Sectors at Glance: Direction and Priorities</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Peniel M. Lyimo, former Permanent Secretary – Prime Minister’s Office, The United Republic of Tanzania <p>Opening remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Riziki S Shemdoe, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania Mr. Gerald Geoffrey Mweli, Permanent Secretary, Minister of Agriculture, United Republic of Tanzania Mr. Seif Shaaban Mwinyi, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Blue Economy and Fisheries Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania <p>Ministerial Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe, Minister of Agriculture, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Abdallah Ulega, Minister of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Shamata Shaame Khamis, Minister of Agriculture Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Suleiman Masoud Makame, Minister of Blue Economy and Fisheries Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania <p>Closing remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. Mizengo Pinda, Former Prime Minister, United Republic of Tanzania
8:30 – 9:00	<p>Good Morning AGRF</p> <p>Each morning will kick start with the highlights of the upcoming day, understand the themes under discussion, and find out all the interesting places to interact with thought leaders.</p> <p>Hosts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Jolenta Joseph, Tanzania Mr. John Agboola, Nigeria Ms. Wangari Kuria, Kenya <p>Guests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Amath Pathé Sene, Managing Director, Africa Food Systems Forum - AGRF Mr. Michael Doane, Global Provide Food and Water MD, The Nature Conservancy

9:00 – 11:00

PLENARY

Official Opening Ceremony: Recover, Regenerate, Act: Africa's Solutions to Food Systems Transformation

This high-level plenary session will be the cornerstone of the AGRF 2023, bringing together a diverse group of stakeholders to discuss Africa's solutions to food system transformation. The opening ceremony will set the stage for an insightful discussion on how to recover, regenerate, and act towards building sustainable food systems. The session will feature the launch of the Africa Agriculture Status Report (AASR).

Moderator

- Ms. Femi Oke, International Journalist, Broadcaster and Moderator

Keynote Remarks

- H.E. Ambassador Gabriel Ferrero, Ambassador at Large Global Food Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation, Spain & Chairperson Committee on World Food Security (CFS)

Sequence 1: The Africa Agriculture Status Report AASR

Presentation of report

- Dr. John Ulimwengu, Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI (lead author)

Panel Discussion

- Dr. Shenggen Fan, Senior Chair Professor, China Agricultural University
- Dr. Simeon Ehui, Director-General, International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) and Regional Director for Continental Africa, CGIAR
- Ms. Sodfa Daaji, Co-Chair, Afrika Youth Movement
- Prof. Joachim von Braun, Professor at the Center for Development Research (ZEF), Bonn University & AGRA Board Member
- Mr. Omid Kassiri, Managing Partner of McKinsey East Africa, Co-Leader of Agriculture Practice in Africa, McKinsey & Company, Nairobi

9:00 – 11:00

PLENARY

Sequence 2: The Food Systems Stocktaking: Critical parameters for Food Systems transformation

Moderator

- Ms. Nadine Gbossa, Director, Food Systems Coordination, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Keynote Remarks

- Ms. Nardos Bekele-Thomas, CEO, African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD)

Framing Presentation

- Dr. Lawrence Haddad, Executive Director, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition
- Dr. Jean Jacques Muhinda, Regional Manager for East Africa, AGRA

Panel Discussion

- Hon. Sam Kawale, Minister of Agriculture, Republic of Malawi
- Ms. Elizabeth Nsimadala, President, Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF), Director, Pan African Farmers Organization (PAFO) & Director, Africa of World Farmers Organization (WFO)
- H.E. Workneh Gebeyehu, Executive Secretary, Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)
- Hon. Abdallah Ulega, Minister of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania
- Dr. Sylvia Lopez-Ekra, Deputy Director, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub

Interlude (Music & Dance)

Welcome to the 2023 Food Systems Forum

- Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA

Introductions

- Hon. Abdallah Ulega, Minister of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania
- Hon. Shamata Shaame Khamis, Minister of Agriculture Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania
- Hon. Suleiman Masoud Makame, Minister of Blue Economy and Fisheries Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania

Welcome and Introduction of Vice President of the United Republic of Tanzania

- Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe, Minister of Agriculture of United Republic of Tanzania

Official Opening Remarks and Ceremony

- Hon. Dr. Philip Isdor Mpango, Vice President of the United Republic of Tanzania

Launch of the AASR Report

11:30 – 13:30

Deal Room Opening

The Deal Room is a matchmaking platform that aims to drive new business deals and commitments. The Deal Room provides companies in the agriculture and agribusiness sectors with the opportunity to access finance, mentorship, and market entry solutions to support their growth objectives. It creates opportunities for governments to present investment opportunities, promote investment incentives and engage with interested investors. It achieves these through a combination of project preparation, pipeline development, project bankability, investment promotion, and enabling policy environment. Participants will explore trade deals and partnership opportunities that enhance sourcing from African smallholder farmers. Mobilizing the ecosystem that can leverage inclusive investment opportunities is critical to investment facilitation. The opening session of the Deal Room brings to life experiences of different value chain actors, while also presenting the benefits and opportunities in investing in Africa's food systems.

Moderator

- Mr. Gilead Teri, Executive Director, Tanzania Investment Centre

Opening remarks and Launch of the Deal Room

- Hon. Prof. Kitila Mkumbo, Minister of State, President's Office - Planning and Investment, United Republic of Tanzania
- Mr. Gunther Beger, Managing Director for the Directorate for SDG Innovation and Economic Transformation, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

Panel Discussion 1

What will it take to double the numbers of businesses in food systems?

- Mr. Wanjohi Ndagu, Partner and Investment Director, Pearl Capital Partners Ltd
- Mr. John Ellenberger, SVP Venture 37, Land O'Lakes, USA
- Ms. Katerina Ntep, Deputy Vice President for Sector Operations, Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC)
- Ms. Adesuwa Ifedi, Senior Vice President of Africa Programs, Heifer International
- Mr. Brent Malahay, Chief Strategy Officer, Equity Group
- Mr. Ayodeji Balogun, Group CEO, AFEX

Panel Discussion 2

Finance Agro Processing and Agro Industrialization

- Hon. Emmanuel Mpawe Tutuba, Governor of the Bank of Tanzania
- Mr. Martien Van Nieuwkoop, Global Director for Agriculture and Food, World Bank
- Dr. Donal Brown, Associate Vice President Programme Management Department, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- Ms. Nelly Mukazayire, Deputy CEO, Rwanda Development Board
- Ms. Delphine Traoré, Regional CEO, Allianz Africa & AGRA Board Member
- Mr. Mohammed Dewji, CEO, MeTL

Closing Remarks

- Ms. Isobel Coleman, Deputy Administrator, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Building Together (Parallel Sessions)

11:30 – 13:30

Policy: The Power of Data, Information & Research for Sustainable Food System- Parallel Session

This session focuses on the critical role of data and information in driving innovation and progress in the agricultural sector and food systems value chains. Join us as we explore how robust data and informed research can drive evidence-based policies and interventions, paving the way for transformative change in public policies, programs, projects and investments. Discover the power of data-driven decision-making in promoting efficient resource allocation, enhancing food security, and improving nutrition. Engage with experts, policymakers, and researchers as they share their experiences and insights on harnessing the potential of data and research for sustainable development. Together, we will unlock the potential of knowledge-sharing, collaborative research, and data-driven policies to create resilient, inclusive, sustainable and environmentally sound food systems.

Moderator

- Mr. Zak Gaibi, Senior Partner, Leader of McKinsey Transformation (MT) EEMA, McKinsey & Company, Johannesburg

Fireside Chat

How important is data for policy today and are we prepared to harness its full potential?

- Mr. Muluaem Syoum, CEO, AeTrade Group (AeTrade Group)
- Hon. Musa Henry Kpaka, Minister of Agriculture Sierra Leone

Panel Discussion 1

Ag-tech/ Digital Showcase of Field Solutions: Share successful applications of data and information in agriculture, particularly on nutrition use efficiency, soil health, to maximize productivity, thus increase farmers' profitability.

- Ms. Esther Kimani – 2022 Pitch Agrihack Winner & CEO, FarmerLifeLine Technologies
- Ms. Sarah Coughlin, Senior Policy Associate, J-PAL Global
- Mr. John Kamara, Founder & CEO, Adanian Labs
- Ms. Rose Goslinga, Co-Founder & President, Pula Advisors
- Mr. Sriram Bharatam, Founder, Kuza Biashara
- Dr. Mduduzi Mbuya, Director Knowledge Leadership, GAIN

Panel Discussion 2

Challenges and Opportunities related to Data and Digital Solutions.

- Mrs. Karimi Thurania, Country Manager Kenya, OCP
- Hon. Fred Bwino Kyakulaga, Minister of State for Agriculture, Animal Industry & Fisheries, Republic of Uganda
- Mr. Omondi Kasidhi, Senior Manager, Digital Growth & Commercialization Africa, YARA
- Dr. Dave Watson, Livelihoods Adviser, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), UK
- Mr. Kunal Prasad, CEO, CropIn

11:30 – 13:30 **Civil Society Forum (Parallel Session)**

Immerse yourself in the transformative realm of the Civil Society Forum, a platform dedicated to amplifying the voices and aspirations of civil society organizations working towards transformation in food systems. Through engaging discussions, knowledge sharing, and interactive sessions, we aim to amplify the voices of civil society and promote their meaningful engagement in shaping agricultural policies and programs. This forum serves as a catalyst for collective action, where diverse stakeholders come together to address the challenges faced by smallholder farmers, rural communities, and vulnerable populations, particularly with a focus on gender. Together, we will explore innovative solutions, advance co-working, and drive positive change across the continent. Join us in this transformative journey as we strive to build a resilient and prosperous future for Africa's agricultural sector, leaving no one behind.

Moderator

- Amb. David Lane (Ret.), President, Annenberg Foundation Trust & AGRA Board Member

Keynote Speaker

- Hon. Jeanine Cooper, Minister of Agriculture, Republic of Liberia

Panel Discussion 1

What are you most worried about today that forms the basis of your advocacy?

- Ms. Dorine Nininahazwe, African Union and East Africa Director, ONE
- Mr. William Warshauer, President & CEO, TechnoServe
- Ms. Nancy Rapando, Africa Food Futures Lead, World Wild Fund for Nature (WWF)
- Mr. Divine Ntiokam, Executive Director, Climate Smart Agriculture Youth Network Global (GCSAYN)
- Mr. Tendai Murisa, Executive Director, Sivio Institute
- Mr. Juan Lucas Restrepo, Director General, Alliance of Biodiversity International and the International Centre for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT)

Panel Discussion 2

Advancing Africa's Agricultural systems in the face of Climate change.

- Prof. Ikechukwu Anthony Kanu, President, Association for the Promotion of African Studies
- Dr. Aggrey Agumya, Executive Director, Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA)
- Prof. Appolinaire Djikeng, Director General, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Senior Director, CGIAR Livestock-Based Systems, Managing Director, CGIAR Resilient AgriFood Systems (RAFS)
- Mr. Cleber Lima Guarany, President, International Center for Innovation and Transfer of Agriculture, Livestock and Environmental Technology (CIITAA)

11:30 – 13:30

Parliamentary & Policy Makers Forum: Creating an Enabling Environment for Private Sector Investments and Trade

This session delves into the critical significance of fostering a conducive climate for enterprises in the food systems sector. What policies, laws and regulations can help attract investments and support the growth of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the agriculture and food sectors? Experts and policymakers will discuss the challenges faced by businesses and the role of governments, parliamentarians, and private sector actors in creating a conducive business environment and the ability to trade. Prepare to be inspired by success stories and best practices from diverse regions across Africa, offering valuable lessons for advancing business potential and food system transformation. Don't miss this opportunity to unlock the pathways to a thriving business ecosystem in the realm of food systems.

Moderator

- Mr. Robert Ouma, Regional Director, DAI Policy LINK
- Dr. Apollos Nwafor, VP Policy & State Capability, AGRA

Keynote Speaker

- H.E. Dr. Jakaya Kikwete, Former President, United Republic of Tanzania

Fireside Chat

The complementary roles of Government and Parliaments:

- Hon. Didier Molisho Sadi, Chairperson Committee on Rural Economy and Agriculture, Pan-African Parliament (PAP)
- Hon. Bryan Acheampong, Minister of Food and Agriculture, Republic of Ghana

Roundtable Discussion

Which laws, policies and regulations are required for food systems transformation?

Roundtable 1

- Hon. Sidie Mohamed Tunis, Speaker, Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Parliament
- Mr. Zwelivelile Mandlesizwe Dalibhunga Mandela, Chairperson, Parliament Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, Republic of South Africa
- Dr. Edidah Lubega Ampaire, Senior Program Specialist – Climate Resilient Food Systems, International Development Research Centre (IDRC)
- Hon. Rose Kayi Mivedor, Minister of Investment, Togo
- Mr. Ibrahima Coulibaly, President, ROPPA (PAFO)
- Hon. Godfred Seidu Jasaw, Member of Parliament, Ghana
- Hon. Anne Waiguru, Chair of the Council of Governors, Governor Kirinyaga County, Republic of Kenya

Roundtable 2

- Hon. Ms. Neema Lugangira (MP), Member of Parliament, Tanzania
- Mr. Francois Kanimba, Commissioner, Economic Community of Central African States, (ECCAS)
- Hon. Jeremy Lissouba (MP), Assemblée Nationale, Republic of Congo
- Hon. Desalegn Wedajo, Chairperson, Standing Committee for Planning, Budget and Finance, Ethiopia
- Ms. Constance Okeke, Program Lead, Public Finance for Agriculture, ActionAid International
- Hon. Samira Rafaela, Member of the European Parliament
- Mr. Kun Chu, Economic and commercial counselor, Chinese Embassy in Tanzania

Special Youth Message

- Ms. Millicent Adoboe, Co-Founder & Deputy CEO, Achiever Foods Ltd

Closing Remarks

- Hon. Dr. Tulia Ackson, Speaker of the National Assembly, Tanzania

<p>11:30 – 13:30</p>	<p>GoGettaz Pitches (finalists)</p> <p>Get inspired! GoGettaz is part of Generation Africa, helping connect the next generation of African agripreneurs to resources to move successfully from idea to scale. Finalists of the GoGettaz competition will showcase their new ventures – from production to agri-tech to value addition to market linkages to agri-finance. These young business people will pitch their ideas in front of a panel of judges and potential investors. Two entrepreneurs, one woman and one man, will each win USD\$50,000 for the most innovative and scalable agrifood business ventures.</p> <p>Moderator and Host</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Dickson Naftali, Head of Generation Africa, AGRA • Ms. Sherrie Silver, IFAD Advocate for Rural Youth, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) <p>Opening remarks by Youth Ambassadors and Champions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. Elvis Chishala Nkandu, Minister of Youth, Sport and Arts, Zambia • Ms. Ndidi Okonkwo Nwuneli, Co-founder • Mr. Svein Tore Holsether, President and CEO, Yara International • Ms. Ada Osakwe, Managing Partner, Agrolay Ventures, AGRA Board Member, & Youth Ambassador Generation Africa • Dr. Simon Winter, Executive Director Syngenta Foundation • Ms. Surita Sandosham, CEO, Heifer international <p>2023 GoGettaz Agripreneur Prize Competition Judges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Marisa Soares, Senior Vice President Innovation & Impact, Yara International • Ms. Aggie Asiimwe Konde, VP Programme Innovation & Delivery, AGRA • Dr. Kelley Cormier, Food Safety Division Chief, Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, United States Agency for International Development (USAID) • Ms. Jean Muthamia-Mwenda Global Lead, Youth Employment & Entrepreneurship, SNV Netherlands Development Organisation • Ms. Mildred Nadah Pita, Head Public Affairs Science & Sustainability Africa Crop Science, Bayer • Mr. Jubilate Lema, Co-Founder & CEO, Farmtime Company Limited • Ms. Wambui Chege Director, Agriculture, PANA • Ms. William Nyaoke, Regional Director East-Africa, Norfund • Mr. Paul Newnham, Director, SDG 2 Advocacy Hub <p>Pitching continues for rest of day.</p>
<p>12:00 – 13:00</p>	<p>Culinary Village & Recipe of change</p> <p>Hosted by Paul Newnham, Director, SDG2 Advocacy Hub</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bean challenge • Culinary Village & Recipe of change • Chefs: TV conversation and tasting
<p>13:30 – 14:30 LUNCH TIME</p>	

15:00 – 17:00

PLENARY

Africa's Fertilizer and Soil Health Vision

Prepare to engage with leading experts and visionaries as they unveil a strategic roadmap for agricultural advancement on the continent in a context of global crisis. The Russia and Ukrainian crisis is impacting access to fertilizers and negatively affecting agricultural productivity. This crisis is also an opportunity for the continent to rethink and rebuild the African fertilizers industries. Delve into the intricate interplay between healthy soils, innovative fertilizers, and sustainable farming practices, all poised to revolutionize Africa's agricultural landscape. This session will offer valuable insights into fertilizers sovereignty, the pivotal role of nutrient management in achieving food security and fostering sustainable development in Africa. Join us as we lay the groundwork for a prosperous future, where Africa's food systems flourish and contribute to the overall well-being of its nations.

Moderator

- Mr. Michael Sudarkasa, CEO, African Fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership (AFAP)

Introductory Remarks

- Hon. Mizengo Pinda, Former Prime Minister, United Republic of Tanzania

Framing Presentation

- Mr. Tom Kehoe, Deputy Director of Agriculture, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) and Sustain Africa

Panel Discussion 1

Re-Inventing Africa's Fertilizer Industry in a Context of Global Crisis

- Hon. Dr. Demba Sabally, Minister of Agriculture, The Republic of The Gambia
- Ms. Dina Esposito, Assistant to the Administrator - Resilience and Food Security (RFS) at USAID, Feed the Future Deputy Coordinator for Development, & Global Food Crisis Coordinator
- Mr. Mehdi Filali, VP Farmer Solutions, OCP Africa, Morocco
- Mr. Svein Tore Holsether, President and CEO, Yara International
- Mr. Henk van Duijn, President and CEO, International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC)
- Hon. Ernesto Max Elias Tonela, Minister of Economy & Finance, Mozambique
- Hon. Chipoka Mulenga, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia
- Mr. Patrick Heffer, Deputy Director General, International Fertilizer Association (IFA)

<p>15:00 – 17:00</p>	<p>PLENARY</p> <p>Panel Discussion 2 Soil Health in the Food Systems: Feeding a Growing Continent Africa’s population is projected to double by 2050, and feeding this growing continent is a major challenge. In this session, we will explore innovative solutions for ensuring food security in the future, such as sustainable agriculture practices, food waste reduction, and value chain innovation. Our panel of experts will share their insights and experience on how to create a more resilient and sustainable food system that can feed Africa’s growing population and demand in the next coming years particularly in countries in fragile contexts through diversification. Don’t miss this exciting and informative session!</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Nteranya Sanginga, former Regional Director, West and Central Africa, CGIAR, and Director General of the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) <p>Introductory Remarks: Building and Safeguarding Soil Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. Dr. Ildephonse Musafiri, Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources (MINAGRI), Rwanda • Hon. Dr. Peter Mutuku Mathuki, Secretary General of the East African Community <p>Sequence 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Bernard Vanlauwe, Deputy Director, Director R4D, and Director for Natural Resources Management, International Institutes of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) • Dr. Tilahun Amede, Head of Resilience, Climate and Soil Fertility, AGRA • Dr. Joe Cornelius, CEO, Bill & Melinda Gates Agricultural Innovations • Dr. Leigh Ann Winowiecki, CIFOR & Co-Lead, Coalition for Action on Soil Health • Mr. Nico Janssen, Programme Manager Agricultural Livelihoods, IKEA Foundation <p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ishmael Sunga, CEO, Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU)
<p>17:00 – 18:30</p>	<p>CEO Chat– Innovation & Technology</p> <p>This CEO Chat explores the role of cutting-edge advancements in agriculture and how they can drive transformative change in food systems. This session brings together youth SMEs to discuss the latest technologies and their potential applications in agriculture. The session shares success stories, challenges, and opportunities related to integrating technology into farming practices, supply chain management, and market access. The session inspires and empowers agripreneurs in Africa to embrace innovation and leverage technology to improve productivity, sustainability, and competitiveness in the agricultural sector.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Blandina Kilama, Personal Assistant to the President- Economic Affairs, Tanzania <p>CEO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Erik Fyrwald, CEO, Syngenta • Mr. John Ulanga, CEO, Tanzania Private Sector Foundation (TPSF) <p>Africa SMEs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Maryanne Ruguru Gichanga, Director, AgriTech Analytics, Kenya • Ms. Lucy Chioma Aniagola, Founder, Agrodemy Enterprises • Mr. Dick Lukala, FSC, Ifakara • Ms. Esther Kimani, Founder and CEO, Farmer Lifeline Technologies

<p>17:00 – 18:30</p>	<p>CEO Chat – Financing</p> <p>This CEO Chat session focuses on creative financing solutions to support food systems transformation. This panel discusses key financial instruments and blended finance, most appropriate instruments for agripreneurs in African trends and strategies for mobilizing resources to support food systems projects, with an emphasis on supporting young entrepreneurs. The session also highlights innovative financing models such as blended finance, impact investing, and social bonds, and explores how they can be leveraged to accelerate the transformation of food systems in Africa.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Quentin Rukingama, Managing Partner, JBQ Africa <p>CEO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Mohammed Dewji, CEO, MeTL • Ms. Ruth Zaipuna, CEO, NMB, Tanzania <p>Africa SMEs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Marie Ange Mukagahima, Managing Director, Zima Health Group, Rwanda • Ms. Ogola Lois Kange, CEO, Smiley’z Kitchen, Nigeria • Mr. Abrhame Endrias, Founder and Managing Director, Lersha Platform • Ms. Silahlekelwe Mbofana, Founder, Tarima Vegetables
<p>17:00 – 18:30</p>	<p>Innovation and Research Launch Pad</p> <p>This is a dynamic and engaging session that aims to unveil groundbreaking research findings, innovative solutions, and novel approaches to advance our food systems transformation. It provides a platform for researchers, experts, and stakeholders to share their work, exchange ideas, and foster collaboration. The session covers a diverse range of topics such as sustainable agriculture, food security, climate change resilience, nutrition, and food waste reduction. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about cutting-edge technologies, data-driven insights, and policy implications that can help transform and improve our global food systems. The session will spark meaningful discussions, inspire action, and promote the development of practical solutions that address the complex challenges facing our food systems.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sean de Cleene, International Systems and Partnerships Expert <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Lawrence Haddad, Executive Director, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition • Mr. Frank Braeken, Non-Executive Director and Chairman and AGRA Board Member • Ms. Carolijn Gommans, IDH – Smallholder Innovation Hub • Mr. Jean Claude Rubyogo, Director of the Pan Africa Bean Research Alliance (PABRA) at the Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT Presenting: Resilient smallholder agriculture in Africa: Overcoming barriers to R&D investment and innovation. • Dr. Lauren M. Phillips, Deputy Director, Inclusive Rural Transformation and Gender Equality Division (ESP), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) • Ms. Aggie Asimwe Konde, VP Programme Innovation & Delivery, AGRA • Prof. Edward Mabaya, Department of Global Development, Cornell University
<p>18:30 – 22:00</p>	<p>SOCIAL PARTNER EVENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Networking and drinks

DAY 2 : WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2023 REGENERATE

TIME	SESSION
7:00 – 9:00	Deal Room activities continue in parallel.
7:00 – 9:00	<p>Tanzania Showcase</p> <p>Harnessing Youth and Women Potentials for Economic Prosperity</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Andrew Temu, Executive Chairman, Diligent Consulting, Tanzania <p>Opening remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. Antony Peter Mavunde, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, United Republic of Tanzania <p>Keynote:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Hussein Mohammed Omar, DPS, Ministry of Agriculture, Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gerald Geofrey Mwele, Permanent Secretary, Minister of Agriculture, United Republic of Tanzania • Prof. Riziki S Shemdoe, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania • Mr. Seif Shaaban Mwinyi, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania • Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Blue Economy and Fisheries Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania <p>Closing remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. David Ernest Silinde, Deputy Minister of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania
8:30 – 9:00	<p>Good Morning AGRF</p> <p>Each morning will kick start with the highlights of the upcoming day, understand the themes under discussion, and find out all the interesting places to interact with thought leaders.</p> <p>Hosts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Jolenta Joseph, Tanzania • Mr. John Agboola, Nigeria • Ms. Wangari Kuria, Kenya <p>Guests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Martin Fregene, Director of Agriculture, African Development Bank (AfDB)

9:00 – 11:00

PLENARY

Transforming African Food Systems for Stronger Nutritional Benefits

This session delves into the crucial intersection of productive systems, nutrition, human health, resilient and sustainable food production, with a focus on transforming our food systems for the betterment of all individuals- including women - and the planet. Join us as we explore the multifaceted challenges and opportunities in promoting sufficient healthier diets, addressing malnutrition, and ensuring environmental sustainability, climate resilient food systems considering a one health approach. Esteemed experts, researchers, and practitioners will share their insights, evidence-based strategies, and impactful cases from diverse contexts. Together, we will envision a future where nutritious food is accessible, equitable, and supports the well-being of both people and the planet. Engage in this stimulating Plenary session that seeks to drive meaningful action, foster collaboration among stakeholders, and pave the way for a productive, inclusive, resilient, sustainable, and nutritious food systems for all.

Sequence 1

The Status of Women in Food Systems

Brief introduction and Moderation

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

Inspirational Moment

- Mr. John Dumelo, Ghanaian Actor, Politician, Agriculturist – TEDx- Make agriculture work again (3min)

Fireside Chat

- Hon. Anne Beathe Tvinneim, Minister of International Development, Norway
- H.E. Mariam Mwinyi, First Lady of Zanzibar

Sequence 1

Roundtable with First Ladies and Senior Leaders

Panel Discussion

- Hon. Ummu Ally Mwalimu, Minister of Health, Tanzania
- Ms. Dina Esposito, Assistant to the Administrator - Resilience and Food Security (RFS) at USAID, Feed the Future Deputy Coordinator for Development, & Global Food Crisis Coordinator
- Ms. Wilma van Esch, Head of the Food Security and Nutrition Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands
- Dr. Shakuntala Haraksingh Thilsted, Global Lead for Nutrition and Public Health, World Fish & World Food Prize Laureate
- Mrs. Hiwot Darsene Dimd, Nutrition Coordination Lead Executive Officer, Ministry of Health, Ethiopia

9:00 – 11:00

PLENARY

Sequence 2

State of Nutrition and Sustainable Diets

Moderator

- Ms. Adesuwa Ifedi, Africa Senior Vice President, Heifer International

Fireside Chat on Implication to African Food Systems

- Prof. Ruth Oniang'o, Editor-in-Chief and Founder, African Journal of Food, Agriculture, Nutrition and Development (AJFAND)
- Hon. Ms Josephine Joseph Lagu, Minister, Agriculture and Food Security, South Sudan
- Dr. Lawrence Haddad, Executive Director, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition

Keynote Speaker

- Dr. Namukolo Covic, ILRI DG Rep & CGIAR East & Southern Africa Regional Director

Panel Discussion

- Dr. Robert Bertram, Chief Scientist, Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, USAID
- Dr. Roy Steiner, Senior Vice President, Rockefeller Foundation
- Ms. Liz Ogutu, Policy and Advocacy Officer; Regional Coordinator, Africa, HarvestPlus
- Ms. Christine Campeau, Global Advocacy Director, Food Systems, CARE International

Closing remarks

- H.E. Ambassador Gabriel Ferrero, Ambassador at Large Global Food Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation, Spain & Chairperson Committee on World Food Security (CFS)

Connecting Together (Parallel Sessions)

9:00 – 18:30

Pitch AgriHack Finale and AYuTe Showcase

This session inspires young people in Africa to leverage ICT innovation to transform the agrifood sector in Africa. The Pitch AgriHack competition aims to promote ICT innovation and entrepreneurship in agriculture in African countries. The competition will identify and amplify efforts by young innovators to build resilience 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.

Moderator

- Ms. Vanessa Adams, VP Strategic Partnerships, and COP Partnership for Inclusive Agricultural Transformation in Africa, AGRA
- Ms. Sherrie Silver, IFAD Advocate for Rural Youth, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Curtain Raisers

- Mr. Frank Braeken, Non-Executive Director and Chairman and AGRA Board Member
- Mr. Jordan Dey, President & CEO, GrainPro
- Mr. Jens Hartmann - Head of Europe, Middle East, Africa (EMEA), Crop Science, Bayer
- Ms. Caroline Mutepfa - Community Engagement Lead, Central Europe, Middle East, and Africa at Microsoft

2023 Pitch AgriHack Competition Judges

- Ms. Barbra Muzata, IITA CGIAR Excellence in Agronomy Initiative
- Dr. Nalishebo Meebelo, Executive Director, Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI)
- Ms. Nono Sekhoto, Sector Lead - AL for Agribusiness Network, African Leadership Academy
- Dr. Ademola Braimoh, Coordinator, Climate Smart Agriculture, World Bank
- Ms. Jane Lowicki-Zucca, Senior Youth Advisor, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
- Ms. Sheila Kaaya, Lead - Agriculture, Agribusiness and Agrifood Systems, The Mastercard Foundation
- Mr. Victor Mugo, Head of Local Youth Action at World Food Forum, FAO

Pitching continues for rest of day.

11:30 – 13:30

The Cost of a Healthy Diet

The session on the “Cost of a Healthy Diet” delves into the challenges and implications of accessing nutritious food for individuals and communities. During the session, the speakers and panel will explore the multifaceted factors that contribute to the cost of a healthy diet, including affordability, availability, and cultural considerations. The speakers will explore the intricate relationship between food prices, dietary choices, and public health outcomes. Attendees will gain insights into the challenges faced by individuals and communities in accessing nutritious food, particularly in vulnerable populations. Moreover, the session will explore strategies and interventions to address these challenges, such as policy changes, community initiatives, and innovative approaches to food production and distribution. By emphasizing the importance of affordable healthy food options, this session aims to inspire collective action and foster collaborations that can lead to a more equitable and sustainable food system.

Moderator

- Dr. Susan Kaaria, Director, African Women in Agricultural Research and Development (AWARD)

Keynote Speaker

- Mr Stanlake Samkange, Senior Director, Strategic Partnerships, World Food Programme (WFP)

Framing Remarks

- H.E. Reuben Mtolo Phiri, Minister of Agriculture, Zambia

Panel Discussion 1

Access and Affordability

- Hon. Ummu Ally Mwalimu, Minister, Ministry of Health, Tanzania
- Dr. Enock Chikava, Director of Agricultural Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)
- Prof. Joachim von Braun, Professor at the Center for Development Research (ZEF), Bonn University & AGRA Board Member
- Ms Afshan Khan, Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations, Coordinator of Scaling Up Nutrition movement, SUN Movement
- Mr. Emmanuel Ampadu, Co-Founder & COO, Pure and Just Co, Ghana

Panel Discussion 2

Inclusive Diets

- Mr. Ishmael Sunga, CEO, Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions (SACAU)
- Ms. Elizabeth Swai, CEO, AKM Glitters Company Limited, Tanzania
- Ms. Gladys Mugambi, Head, Division of Family Health and SUN Movement Executive Committee Co-Chair
- Ms. Elizabeth Imbo, Country Project Manager – Nutrition in City Ecosystems, Syngenta Foundation
- Dr. Lunna Kyungu, Senior Technical Advisor Organisation; COUNSENUH
- Ms. Betty Kibara, Director Food Initiative, Rockefeller Foundation

11:30 – 13:30 **CEO Roundtable: Trade & Investments**

This session on Trade and Investments will delve into the trade policy environment and the role of the private sector in agriculture markets. Senior government officials, top executives and industry leaders will convene to discuss the support needed and the policy changes required to create an enabling environment for increased trade and transformative investments in Africa' agricultural sector and build resilient food systems. The critical role of the government and private sector in the functioning of agriculture markets will be discussed. This dynamic session creates critical opportunities for networking, collaboration, the development of strategic alliances and fostering public-private partnerships.

Moderator

- Mr. Daniel Njiwa, Head of Regional Food Trade & Resilience - Policy & State Capability Division, AGRA

Keynote Speaker

- Ms. Isobel Coleman, Deputy Administrator, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Roundtable 1

- Hon. Dr. Ashatu Kijaji, Minister of Industry and Trade, United Republic of Tanzania
- Hon. Melaku Alebel, Minister of Industry, Ethiopia
- Mr. Mansoor Ahmad, MBE, Deputy Group Head – Africa Economic Development & Team Lead – Agribusiness Investment & Food Trade, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO)
- Hon. Rose Kayi Mivedor, Minister of Investment, Togo
- Hon. Fred Bwino Kyakulaga, Minister of State for Agriculture, Animal Industry & Fisheries, Republic of Uganda
- Mr. Ayodeji Balogun, Group CEO, AFEX
- Mr. Freddie Tucker, Investment Director, British International Investment

Roundtable 2

- Hon. Aly Gouille Ndiaye, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Equipment, Senegal
- Mr. Ramesh Moochikal, Chief Executive Officer, Africa Improved Foods
- Ms. Rhoda Mkumbwa, Owner, AW Fishnet, Malawi
- Mr. Christopher Zaw, CEO, WARC, Ghana
- Dr. Simon Winter, Executive Director, Syngenta Foundation
- Dr. Boladale Adebawale, Executive Secretary, Ecowas Rice Observatory

11:30 – 13:30 Africa Women Leaders Forum and Awards

This session is dedicated to promoting and advancing women's leadership in Africa's agricultural sector. Through panel discussions and keynote speeches, the forum empowers women by providing a platform for dialogue, sharing best practices, and networking. The Africa Women Leaders Forum is an important opportunity for female leaders to discuss the challenges they face and ensure that women's voices are heard, and their perspectives are taken into account in shaping the future of Africa's agriculture sector. They will be exploring the role of trade and finance in a more equitable future for women on the continent.

Moderator

- Ms. Femi Oke, International Journalist, Broadcaster and Moderator

Panel Discussion

- Ms. Hixonia Nyasulu, Founder, Ayavuna Women's Investments & AGRA Board Member
- Ms. Sara Mbago-Bhunu, Director East and Southern Africa Division, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- Ms. Ndidi Okonkwo Nwuneli, Co-founder and Executive Chair, Sahel Consulting & AGRA Board Member
- Ms. Hellen Onyango Oyare, Helena Agspace, Kenya

Congratulations

- Hon. Dr. Dorothy Gwajima, Minister for Community Development, Gender, Women and Special Groups, Tanzania
- Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA

WAYA Awards Ceremony

The VALUE4HER Women Agripreneurs of the Year Awards (WAYA) is a key offering of AGRA's continental initiative that aims at strengthening women's agribusiness enterprises and enhancing voice and advocacy across Africa namely VALUE4HER. The initiative aims to increase the performance of women entrepreneurs through access to markets and trade, access to finance and investments, tailored online and offline matchmaking activities, learning, networking, and global advocacy aimed at addressing some of the key barriers for women's business growth and market participation in agriculture. VALUE4HER is powered by VALUE4HERConnect, Africa's first women in agribusiness digital marketplace, offering integrated business solutions to women agri enterprises. In line with its strategic objective and positioning in 2021, AGRA launched the VALUE4HER Women Agripreneurs of the Year Awards (WAYA) at the AGRF to recognize African female agripreneurs who have excelled in the agricultural value chains and have demonstrated remarkable innovation by contributing positively towards food security, climate resilience, women and youth empowerment. The Awards aim to create visibility for women agripreneurs and promote them as positive role models, trigger innovation, and spur ambition among women agripreneurs. The award category winners will receive a cash prize of USD20,000 while the grand prize winners receives USD25,000.

Judges

- Ms. Binta Touré Ndoye, AGRA Board Member
- Ms. Betty Kiplagat – Government Affairs Leader, Africa & the Middle East, Corteva
- Ms. Judy Matu – National Executive Chairlady, AWAK
- Ms. Marieme Esther Dassanou – Director of Gender Programs, MasterCard Foundation

Vote of Thanks

- Ms. Oluyemisi Iranloye, CEO, Psaltry International, 2023 WAYA Award winner

Concluding Remarks

- Ms. Sabdiyo Dido Bashuna, Head of Gender and Inclusiveness, AGRA

<p>11:30 – 13:30</p>	<p>Food Safety, Sanitary and Phytosanitary Systems, and Post-Harvest Management</p> <p>This session delves into food safety, sanitary and Phytosanitary Systems, as well as post-harvest management discussions. Food safety and post-harvest practices are critical to Africa's food security. Africa faces SPS challenges to its agricultural and food systems. Poor handling and inadequate storage lead to large quantities of food lost and wasted. Through an engaging discussion, bringing together key stakeholders, to discuss the challenges and opportunities in ensuring that food is safe and minimizing post-harvest losses. By sharing knowledge, experiences and lessons, the session catalyzes action and driving the adoption of effective food safety measures and post-harvest management practices that contribute to building resilient and sustainable food systems in Africa.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sean de Cleene, International Systems and Partnerships Expert <p>Fireside Chat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. Jeanine Cooper, Minister of Agriculture, Republic of Liberia • Hon. Jenny Moffitt, Under Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) • H.E. Chileshe Kapwepwe, General Secretary, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) <p>Panel Discussion 1 Food Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Peace Mutuwa, Knowledge Manager, PACA • Mr. Watipaso Mkandawire, Regional Food Markets Adviser, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), UK • Mr. Johnson Kiragu, East Africa Program Manager, Partners in Food Solutions • Ms. Candida Shirima, Ag, Director of Compliance and Enforcement, Tanzanian Bureau of Standards <p>Panel Discussion 2 Innovative Technologies to reduce Post-harvest Loss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. Alfred Ombudo K'Ombudo, Principal Secretary, State Department of Trade, Ministry of Trade, Investment and Industry, Kenya • Dr. Geeta Sethi, Advisor, Global Agriculture Practice, World Bank • Dr. Marco Wopereis, Director General, World Vegetable Centre • Ms. Emmastella Gakuo, COO, Savannah Circuit, Kenya • Mr. Jordan Dey, President & CEO, GrainPro • Dr. Bridgitta Steyn, Research Platform Manager for Microbials at Natural Plant Protection (NPP), UPL • Eng. Godfrey Mwimama, Ag, Director of Research and Development, CRMARTEC
<p>12:00 – 13:00</p>	<p>Culinary Village & Recipe of change</p> <p>Hosted by Paul Newnham, Director, SDG2 Advocacy Hub</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bean challenge • Culinary Villages & Recipe of change • Chefs: TV conversation and tasting
<p>13:30 – 14:30 LUNCH TIME</p>	

15:00 – 17:00 **PLENARY: Trade & Markets**

The session explores the role of trade and markets in achieving a sustainable and resilient food systems. Critical to increased trade in the continent is ensuring an enabling environment that encourages increased private sector investments to address the significant gaps in infrastructure and access to finance. The successful implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement will require the combined efforts of governments and the private sector, and other critical stakeholders in trade such as the Regional Economic Communities, research institutions, among others. Through interactive discussions, the session delves into topics such as the policy and regulatory environment on the continent, infrastructure gaps that limit increased intra-African trade, lack of access to finance, especially to small-scale actors, women and youth. By critically analyzing the trade and market dynamics, this session contributes to identifying strategies and policy recommendations for transforming the current food system into one that is sustainable, inclusive, and resilient.

Moderator

- Ms. Femi Oke, International Journalist, Broadcaster and Moderator

Keynote Speaker

- H.E. Lionel Zinsou, Former Prime Minister, Republic of Benin; Founder and Managing Partner, Southbridge

Framing remarks:

- Ms. Melinda Bohannon, DG Humanitarian & Development, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), UK
- Mr. Simplex Chithyola Banda, Minister of Trade and Industry, Malawi
- H.E. Chileshe Kapwepwe, General Secretary, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
- Ms. Isobel Coleman, Deputy Administrator, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Agricultural Trade Monitor (AATM) Launch Speaker

- Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson, Akademiya 2063

Video presentation, Launch of the AATM report and official photo

Panel Discussion

Trade Infrastructure & Trade Finance and Investment

- Hon. Dr. Khalid Salum Mohamed, Minister of Infrastructure, Communication and Transport Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania
- Mr. Mulualem Syoum, CEO, AeTrade Group (AeTrade Group)
- Ms. Monica Hangi, Regional Senior Director, TradeMark Africa
- Mr. Mahesh Patel, CEO, ETG Group
- Sir Danny Alexander, Vice President, Policy and Strategy, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- Ms. Dorice Mgeta, Lawyer, Economist, Diplomat, Executive Board Member of the Tanzania Trade Development (TANTRADE)

Closing Remarks

- Hon. Gérardine Mukeshimana, Vice President, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

<p>17:00 – 18:30</p>	<p>CEO Chat – Social Impact (Parallel Sessions)</p> <p>This session explores the power of agriculture to create positive social change and address pressing societal challenges. It brings together CEOs, impact investors, and social entrepreneurs to discuss the various ways in which agriculture can contribute to social impact, including poverty alleviation, gender equality, rural development, and environmental sustainability. The session aims to foster collaboration and inspire agripreneurs to develop innovative business models that prioritize both profit and positive social outcomes, creating a sustainable and inclusive agricultural sector in Africa.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Shudufhadzo Musida, Miss South Africa 2020 & UNFPA’s Regional Champion <p>CEO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Victoria Sabula, CEO, Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund (AECF) • Ms. Surita Sandosham, CEO, Heifer International <p>Conversation between 4 Africa Youth led SMEs and leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Emmastella Gakuo, COO, Savannah Circuit, Kenya • Ms. Charlotte Binya, Founder, Women in Africa, Cameroon • Ms. Hadija Jabiri, Managing Director and Founder, GBRI Ltd • Ms. Nancy Iraba, CEO, Healthy Seaweed
<p>17:00 – 18:30</p>	<p>CEO Chat – Leadership - (Parallel Sessions)</p> <p>This session focuses on the qualities, strategies, and insights needed to drive successful transformation and growth in the agricultural sector. This session brings together visionary young leaders, to share their leadership journeys, lessons learned, and perspectives on effective leadership in the context of agriculture. Participants discuss topics such as fostering innovation, navigating challenges, building resilient organizations, and cultivating a culture of collaboration and inclusivity. The session aims to inspire agripreneurs and aspiring leaders to develop their leadership skills, embrace bold visions, and drive positive change in the agricultural sector in Africa.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Omid Kassiri, Managing Partner of McKinsey East Africa, Co-Leader of Agriculture Practice in Africa, McKinsey & Company, Nairobi <p>CEO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jehiel Oliver, Founder, Hello Tractor • Mr. Ayodeji Balogun, Group CEO, AFEX <p>Conversation between 4 Africa led SMEs and leaders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Eloge Niyomwungere, Best Food Solutions, Burundi • Mrs. Silahlekelwe Mbotana, Tarima Vegetables, Zimbabwe • Ms. Marcelline Koutatouka, mkTOTO, Congo • Ms. Judith Endelesi Karia, Founder and Managing Director, Ava Group Investment, Tanzania

17:00 – 18:30

Program & Innovation: Regenerative Agriculture and Resilient Food Systems

We will explore in this session the urgent need to build resilient food systems in the face of global challenges such as climate change and environmental degradation. Delve into the key principles and practices of regenerative agriculture, a powerful approach that promotes sustainability, resilience, and food security. Engage with farmers, researchers, and practitioners at the forefront of this field as they share their expertise and success stories. What innovative strategies and solutions can enhance the resilience of African food systems?

Moderator

- Mr. Anthony Mhagama, Senior Programme Manager, SUSTAIN, IUCN

Fireside Chat

- H.E. Hon. Cecily Mbarire M.G.H, Governor of Embu County, Kenya

Panel Discussion 1

- Ms. Elizabeth Nsimadala is the regional president of Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF) and board member of Pan Africa Farmers Organisation (PAFO)
- Ms. Natasha Santos, Vice President, Head of Global Stakeholders Affairs & Strategic Partnerships, Bayer
- Ms. Damilola Aminat Adeyemi, Co-Founder, D-Olivette Enterprise, Nigeria
- Ms. Edith Wheatland, CEO, Rockland Farms, Ghana
- Dr. Bridgitta Steyn, Research Platform Manager for Microbials at Natural Plant Protection (NPP), UPL
- Mr. Simon O'Connell, CEO, SNV
- Mr. Don White, CEO, Agventure Ltd.

Panel Discussion 2

- Ms. Ada Osakwe, Managing Partner, Agrolay Ventures, AGRA Board Member, & Youth Ambassador Generation Africa
- Ms. Betty Kibaara, Director, Food Initiative, Rockefeller Foundation
- Ms. Hazel Awino, CEO, Agri Innovation Hub, Kenya
- Mr. John Ellenberger, SVP Venture 37, Land O'Lakes, USA
- Mr. Adam Gerstenmier, Executive Director, Food Action Alliance
- Ms. Marilia Bezerra, Chief Programmes Officer, IKEA Foundation
- Ms. Nancy Rapando, Africa's Food Future Initiative Lead, WWF
- Dr. Sieglinde Snapp, Global Program Director – Sustainable Agri-food Systems, CIMMYT
- Mr. Apollo Owuor, Coordinator, COMESA – East Africa Horticultural Accelerator

18:30 – 22:00

SOCIAL PARTNER EVENTS

- Networking and drinks

DAY 03



DAY 3: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2023

ACT- FOOD SYSTEMS PATHWAYS

TIME	SESSION
7:00 – 9:00	AGRF Partners Breakfast (By invitation only)
7:00 – 9:00	<p>Tanzania Showcase (By Invitation only)</p> <p>The President's Build a Better Tomorrow (BBT) Legacy Program (LP) on Food Systems is a coherent and high-quality program that translates the Tanzania BBT vision into a bankable program. This session aims to mobilize partners to support Tanzania's strategy to create youth jobs in agri-food systems.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Geoffrey Kirenga, CEO, Southern Agricultural Growth Corridor of Tanzania Ltd. (SAGCOT) <p>Introductory remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe, Minister of Agriculture, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Abdallah Ulega, Minister of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Shamata Shaame Khamis, Minister of Agriculture Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Suleiman Masoud Makame, Minister of Blue Economy and Fisheries Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania <p>Keynote Speaker</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Hussein Ali Mwinyi, President of Zanzibar <p>Tanzania Investment Showcase with Investors and Development Partners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. Dr. Mwigulu L. Nchemba, Minister of Finance, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Prof. Kitila Mkumbo, Minister of State, President's Office - Planning and Investment, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Dr. Saada S. Mkuya, President's Office, Finance and Planning Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Mudrick Ramadani Soraga, Minister, Ministry of Labour, Economy and Investment Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania Dr. Abou Bamba, Advisor - Office the Prime Minister & Coordinator-Abidjan Legacy Program, Côte d'Ivoire Mr. Boleslaw Stawicki, Country Director, Tanzania, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Tanzania <p>Concluding remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Martien Van Nieuwkoop, Global Director for Agriculture and Food, World Bank Hon. Dr. Ashatu Kijaji, Minister of Industry and Trade, United Republic of Tanzania
8:30 – 9:00	<p>Good Morning AGRF</p> <p>Each morning will kick start with the highlights of the upcoming day, understand the themes under discussion, and find out all the interesting places to interact with thought leaders.</p> <p>Hosts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Jolenta Joseph, Tanzania Mr. John Agboola, Nigeria Ms. Wangari Kuria, Kenya <p>Guests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Abebe Haile-Gabriel, Assistant Director General, Regional Representative for Africa, FAO Dr. Apollos Nwafor, VP Policy & State Capability, AGRA Prof. Eric Danquah, Director, West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement, Africa Food Prize 2022 Winner

9:30 – 10:30 Special event: Youth Town Hall

The AGRF's Gender and Inclusiveness Unit, along with the Generation Africa platform, collaborates with ecosystem partners to curate and organize the annual Youth Townhall event. Her Excellency Samia Suluhu Hassan, President of Tanzania is committed to engaging with the youth and listening to their inputs. She believes that young people are the key to the country's future, and she is eager to hear their ideas.

Taking that forward, the Youth Townhall will therefore offer young people an exclusive opportunity to present their concerns, hopes, and hurdles to policymakers and stakeholders and facilitates interaction among young people and ecosystem players, providing a platform for engagement. At the Youth Town Hall, AGRF partnership will recognize excellence among youth and women entrepreneurs.

Moderator

- Mr. Georgie Ndirangu, Head of Pan-African Program Communications, Mastercard Foundation

Video (3 mins)

- Mrs. Sabrina Elba, UN - IFAD Goodwill Ambassador

Keynote Speaker**Honoured Guests**

- H.E. President Samia Suluhu Hassan, United Republic of Tanzania
- Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank Group (AfDB)

Invited Global Ag Youth to Connect

- Ms. Hadija Jabiri, Managing Director and Founder, GBRI Ltd
- Ms. Nancy Iraba, Co-Founder and CTO, Healthy Seaweed Company Ltd
- Ms. Chido Cleopatra Mpemba, Youth Envoy, African Union Commission
- Ms. Jhanira Rodriguez Torrez, United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN), Bolivia

Celebrating Youth - Awarding Ceremony

- H.E. President Samia Suluhu Hassan, United Republic of Tanzania
- Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank Group (AfDB)
- Mr. Svein Tore Holsether, President and CEO, Yara International

9:00 – 10:30

Policy Symposium: Transforming African Food Systems to Cope with Climate Change

This symposium will focus on the urgent need to transform African food systems to cope with the challenges posed by climate change. Join us as we explore innovative policies, practices, and technologies that promote climate-resilient agriculture, enhance adaptation and mitigation strategies, and ensure food security in the face of changing climatic conditions. Engage with experts, policymakers, and researchers as they share their experiences and insights on harnessing climate data, indigenous knowledge, and technological innovations to build resilient agricultural systems. Together, we will identify policy pathways and investments needed to transform African food systems, promote sustainable livelihoods, and safeguard the well-being of vulnerable communities in the region.

Moderator

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

Keynote Speaker

- Dr. Simeon Ehui, Director-General, International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) and Regional Director for Continental Africa, CGIAR

Fireside Chat:

- Dr. Enock Chikava, Director of Agricultural Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)
- Dr Daniel Elger, CEO, CABI

Panel Discussion 1

- Dr. Bram Govaerts, Director General, International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT)
- Dr. George Bigirwa, Head of Seed Systems Development, AGRA
- Dr. Edward Mabaya, Research Professor and Director of Humphrey Fellowship Program, Department of Global Development, Cornell University
- Hon. Dr. Fikru Regassa, Minister of Agriculture, Republic of Ethiopia
- Ms. Vivian Onano, Founder/Director at Leading Light Initiative
- Mr. Stefan Schmitz, Executive Director, Global Crop Diversity Trust
- Ms. Elizabeth Swai, CEO, AKM Glitters Company Limited, Tanzania
- Mr. Peter Veal, Head of Sub-Saharan Africa, Syngenta

Panel Discussion 2

- Hon. Ahmed Madobe Nunow, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation, Federal Republic of Somalia
- Ms. Dina Esposito, Assistant to the Administrator - Resilience and Food Security (RFS) at USAID, Feed the Future Deputy Coordinator for Development, & Global Food Crisis Coordinator
- Dr. Joe DeVries, President Seed Systems Group, AGRA
- Dr. Evan Girvetz- Principal Scientist and Global Program Leader, Finance and Investments for Climate Action CIAT
- Ms. Josephine Okot, CEO, Victoria Seeds
- Dr. Baboucarr Manneh, Director General, Africa Rice Center (AfricaRice)

Closing Remarks

- Hon. Aly Gouille Ndiaye, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Equipment, Republic of Senegal

9:00 – 10:30

Policy Symposium: Financial Solutions and Blended Finance

In this symposium, we will delve into the realm of financial solutions and blended finance models that can drive sustainable food systems transformation. Join us as we explore innovative financing mechanisms, public-private partnerships, and impact investment strategies that mobilize capital for sustainable agriculture, value chain development, and food system innovation. Gain valuable insights from financial experts, policymakers, and practitioners as they share successful case studies and discuss the potential of blended finance to unlock transformative change in the agricultural sector. Together, we will identify strategies to leverage diverse sources of funding, de-risk investments, and scale up sustainable agriculture practices to achieve the desired socio-economic and environmental outcomes.

Moderator

- Mr. Frank Braeken, Non-Executive Director and Chairman and AGRA Board Member

Fireside Chat

- Mr. Martien Van Nieuwkoop, Global Director for Agriculture and Food, World Bank
- Dr. James Mwangi, CEO, Equity Bank

Panel Discussion 1

Innovative & Blended Finance

- Ms. Binta Touré Ndoye, AGRA Board Member
- Hon. Lídia de Fátima da Graça Cardoso, Minister of the Sea, Inland Waters and Fisheries, Mozambique
- Mr. Temi Adegrooye, Managing Partner, Sahel Consulting
- Dr. Peter Umunay, Senior Environmental Specialist, Global Environment Facility (GEF)
- Mr. Gunther Beger, Managing Director for the Directorate for SDG Innovation and Economic Transformation, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- Mr. Theobald Sabi, Managing Director, National Bank of Commerce (NBC)

Panel Discussion 2

Securing Investments in Food Systems

- Ms. Ruth Zaipuna, CEO, NMB Bank Tanzania
- Ms. Hedwig Siewertsen, Head of Inclusive Finance, AGRA
- Ms. Victoria Sabula, CEO, Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund (AECF)
- Dr. Birama Sidibé, Member of ABC Fund Investment Committee
- Ms. Hope Murera, CEO, Zep-Re Insurance
- Ms. Carolyne Gathinji, Associate Partner, McKinsey & Company
- H.E. Razan Al Mubarak, UN Climate Change High-Level Champion

9:00 – 10:30 **Policy Symposium: Local Procurement to Catalyze Food Systems Transformation**

This symposium will examine the transformative potential of local procurement in catalyzing food systems transformation. Join us as we explore policies, strategies, and initiatives that promote local sourcing, production, and consumption to enhance food security, support small-scale farmers, and strengthen local economies. Engage with experts, policymakers, and practitioners as they share their experiences and insights on harnessing the power of local procurement to foster sustainable and resilient food systems. Together, we will identify policy interventions, market linkages, and capacity-building approaches to create enabling environments that promote local procurement, enhance food system resilience, and contribute to the achievement of broader sustainable development goals.

Moderator

- Mr. Chris Mitchell, Economic Development Expert, BCG

Fireside Chat

- Mr. Peiman Milani, Director, Food Initiative, Rockefeller Foundation
- Ms. Valerie Guarnieri, Assistant Executive Director, World Food Program

Panel Discussion 1

- Hon. Fred Bwino Kyakulaga, Minister of State for Agriculture, Animal Industry & Fisheries, Republic of Uganda
- Ms. Alice Ruhweza, Regional Director for Africa, World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)
- Dr. Arun Balal, CEO, HarvestPlus
- Mr. Simon Heck, Senior Director for Urban Food Systems and Agrobiodiversity, & Director General CIP, CGIAR
- Dr. Amare Ayalew, Program Manager, PACA
- Dr. Germana Leyna, Managing Director, Tanzania Food and Nutrition Centre (TFNC)

Panel Discussion 2

- Hon. Dr. Sabin Nsanzimana, Minister of Health, Rwanda
- Ms. Beauty Manake, Assistant Minister of Investment, Trade & Industry, Botswana
- Hon. Mithuka Linturi, Cabinet Secretary, Minister of Agriculture and Livestock Development, Republic of Kenya
- Dr. Namukolo Covic, ILRI DG Rep & CGIAR East & Southern Africa Regional Director
- Ms. Jennifer Baarn, Head of Partnerships, AGRA
- Mr. Florent Clair, Head of Partnerships for Sustainability (P4S) - West & Central Africa, UPL
- Mr. Makoto Goda, President & CEO, Nippon Biodiesel Fuels & Special Envoy, Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) & Representative of the Working Group on Agriculture, Japanese Africa Business Council

Concluding Remarks

- Hon. Dr. Peter Mutuku Mathuki, Secretary General, East African Community

10.30 – 12.00 **Policy Symposium: Infrastructure for Food Systems Transformation**

This symposium will delve into the topic of infrastructure in driving the transformation of food systems. Join us as we explore the intersection of infrastructure development, technological advancements, and sustainable agriculture practices to create efficient, resilient, and inclusive food systems. Discover innovative solutions and policies that leverage infrastructure investments to enhance food production, processing, storage, and distribution, while minimizing environmental impact. Engage with experts, policymakers, and practitioners as they share their experiences and insights on harnessing infrastructure to catalyze transformative change in food systems. Together, we will uncover strategies to build robust infrastructure networks that support sustainable agriculture, foster economic growth, and ensure food security for all.

Moderator

- Mr. Jonathan Said, Partner, Growth Teams

Fire Side Chat

- Ms. Katerina Ntep, Deputy Vice President for Sector Operations, Millennium Challenge Corporation
- Ms. Treasure Maphanga, Chief Operating Officer, AeTrade Group
- Amb. David Lane (Ret.), President, Annenberg Foundation Trust & AGRA Board Member

Panel Discussion

- Mr. Mohammed Dewji, CEO, MeTL
- Dr. Janet Edeme, Head of Rural Development Division, Africa Union Commission (AUC)
- Hon. Anxious Masuka, Minister of Lands, Agriculture, Water and Rural Resettlement, Zimbabwe
- Mr. Daouda Sembene, CEO, AfriCatalyst (former Executive Director, IMF)
- Hon. Gabriel Mbairrobe, Minister of Agriculture of Cameroon
- Mr. Forster Boateng, Deputy CEO, Operations, Tree Crop Authority, Ghana
- Dr. Martin Fregene, Director of Agriculture, African Development Bank (AfDB)
- Mr. Kebba Colley, Director of Inclusive Business, IDH
- Mr. Alfred Chengula, Cofounder, Imara Tech
- Mr. Isdor Paul Nkindi, Principal Legal Officer, BRELA
- Mr. Jahan Chowdhury, Cluster Lead for Environment and Climate, IFAD

10.30 – 12.00 **Policy Symposium: Governing for Food Systems Transformation and Better Food Security**

Effective governance is fundamental to achieving food systems transformation and improving food security. In this symposium, we will examine the role of governance mechanisms, policies, and institutions in shaping sustainable and resilient food systems. Join us as we explore the challenges and opportunities in governing food systems at local, national, and global levels. Gain valuable insights from policymakers, researchers, and practitioners as they discuss innovative approaches to strengthening governance frameworks, enhancing coordination across sectors, and fostering multi-stakeholder partnerships. Together, we will identify strategies to promote inclusive decision-making, equitable resource allocation, and sustainable food production to achieve better food security outcomes.

Moderator

- Dr. Wanjiru Kamau-Rutenberg, Board Director, The Global Food Banking Network and Executive-In-Residence, Schmidt Futures

Fireside Chat

- Dr. Abebe Haile-Gabriel, Assistant Director General, Regional Representative for Africa, FAO
- Mr. Mamadou Biteye, Executive Secretary, The African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF)

Panel Discussion 1

- Ms. Elizabeth Swai, CEO, AKM Glitters Company Limited, Tanzania & CALA Alumni
- Hon. Lamba Mamadu Saliu, Minister of Agriculture Guinea Bissau
- Prof. Joyce Kinabo, Professor of Human Nutrition in the Department of Food Technology, Nutrition, and Consumer Sciences at the Sokoine University of Agriculture
- Dr. Joshua Ariga, Senior Program Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)
- Mr. Jacob Nyirongo, CALA Alumni
- Prof. David Nyange, Chief of Party, USAID SERA BORA Project
- Dr. Elida Kazira, Director of Crop Development, Ministry of Agriculture, Malawi

Panel Discussion 2

- Mr. Amadou Makhtar Ba, Founder and Executive Chairman of All Africa Global Media Inc
- Dr. Apollos Nwafor, Vice President Policy and State Capacity, AGRA
- Dr. Debisi Araba, Visiting Lecturer, Imperial College London
- Ms. Safia Boly, Executive Director, African Agricultural Transformation Initiative (AATI) & the Ministry of Agriculture, Tanzania
- Ms. Sara Mbago-Bhunu, Director East and Southern Africa Division, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Concluding Remarks

- Hon. Dr. Mohammad Mahmood Abubakar, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Federal Republic of Nigeria

09:30 – 12:00 Ministerial Roundtable: Country Actions to Progress Pathways to Food Systems Transformation (By Invitation Only)

Keynote Speaker

- H.E. Dr Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, the African Union Special Envoy for Food Systems

Co-hosts

- Sir David Nabarro, Strategic Director, 4SD Foundation
- Dr. Fadel Ndiame, CEO, Food Systems Transformation Solutions

Ministerial roundtable

Ministers, Development partners, Heads of International Organizations, and corporate leaders (by invitation only)

This ministerial roundtable focuses on taking stock of countries food systems pathways implementation, actions that countries can take to transform their food systems, and the progress made towards this transformation. The session brings together government ministers and other high-level officials to share their experiences and perspectives on implementing policies and programs to improve food systems in their respective countries. The discussion focuses on the challenges and opportunities of food system transformation, and how countries can work together to accelerate progress towards sustainable and equitable food systems.

Ministerial Roundtable

- AU & AUDA-NEPAD leadership
- Senior invited Heads of Development Partner delegations
- Heads of REC's
- All confirmed Ministers of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries
- All confirmed Ministers of Trade, Nutrition, Gender, Health
- All confirmed Ministers of Environment and Climate
- All confirmed Ministers of Economy and Finance

Guest Speakers

- H.E. Mariam Almheiri, Minister of Climate Change and Environment, UAE
- Hon. Jenny Moffitt, Under Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- Ms. Melinda Bohannon, DG Humanitarian & Development, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), UK
- Ms. Cristina Duarte, UN USG, Special Advisor on Africa

Concluding Remarks and take away

- Ms. Nardos Bekele-Thomas, CEO, African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD)
- H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko, Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission (AUC)

10:30 – 12:00

Farmers Forum

Lively discussion centered on the voices and experiences of African farmers. The Farmers Forum focuses on the challenges facing African smallholder farmers including climate change, conflicts, and access to markets. Speakers will provide insights into their experiences and share successful strategies for overcoming these challenges. The panel discussion touches on topics such as inclusivity, security, investment, and research, with a focus on developing solutions to improve the livelihoods of farmers and drive economic growth and agricultural transformation in the continent.

Moderator

- Mr. Norbert Tuyishime, Program Officer, Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF)

Keynote Remarks: The role of Cooperatives in advancing Prosperity and Food Security in Africa

- H.E. Kassim Majaliwa Majaliwa, Prime Minister of the United Republic of Tanzania

Panel Discussion 1

Climate Finance

- Mr. Kolyang Palabele, PAFO & PROPAC
- Mr. Ishmael Sunga, CEO, SACAUI
- Ms. Ruramiso Mashumba, Regional Lead: Africa, Global Farmer Network (GFN), Zimbabwe

Moderator

- Ms. Manes Ngoma, President, Farmers Union of Malawi

Keynote Speaker

- Ms. Elizabeth Nsimadala, President, Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF), Director, Pan African Farmers Organization (PAFO) & Director, Africa of World Farmers Organization (WFO)

Panel Discussion 2

Farmers Showcase

- Dr. King-David Amoah, FONG President, Network of West African Farmers and Agricultural Producers' Organizations (ROPPA) Ghana
- Mr. Ibrahima Coulibaly, President, ROPPA (PAFO)
- Mr. Philip Kiro, East Africa Farmers Federation Board Member
- Dr. Sinare Yusufu Sinare, President, SACAUI
- Mr. Drem Taing Toutkoul, CEO, PROPAC
- Ms. Rym Ferchichi, General Secretary, UMNAGRI
- Mr. Justin Shirima, Managing Director Tanzania, Tanganyika Farmers Association

Closing Remarks

- Dr. Babafemi Oyewole Olulopo, CEO, Pan-African Farmers Organization

<p>10:30 – 12:00</p>	<p>Council of the Wise - Intergenerational Conversation with the Wise Leaders</p> <p>The Council of the Wise aims to bring together some of the foremost African leaders, to discuss and support initiatives and actions towards achieving inclusive, resilient and nutritious agriculture and food systems transformation, as well as the SDG commitments. As an essential element of the AGRF, the Council of the Wise provides an opportunity for leaders to come together and build a common voice and position to deliver an African agenda on Sustainable Food Systems and SDGs.</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ibrahima Cheikh Diong, United Nations Assistant Secretary General (UN-ASG) and Director General (GDG), African Risk Capacity Group <p>Opening Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia <p>Keynote Remarks: Achieving 2030 Amidst Crises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary General, United Nations • Mr. Bill Gates, Co-Founder, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (not yet confirmed) <p>Panel Discussion 1 Food and Nutrition Security</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia • H.E. Uhuru Kenyatta, Former President, Republic of Kenya • H.E. Lionel Zinsou, Former Prime Minister, Republic of Benin; Founder and Managing Partner, Southbridge • H.E. Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, Former President, Republic of Liberia (VIDEO) <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Lindiwe Majele Sibanda, Board Chair, CGIAR <p>Setting the stage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Carlos Lopes, Professor, Mandela School of Public Governance, University of Cape Town <p>Panel Discussion 2 Feeding people under a changing climate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Dr. Jakaya Kikwete, Former President, United Republic of Tanzania • H.E. Jonathan Goodluck, Former President, Nigeria • H.E. Mohamed Beavogui, Former Prime Minister of Guinea and Special Envoy for the 13th Replenishment of IFAD • H.E. Dr Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, the African Union Special Envoy for Food Systems • Prof. Carlos Lopes, Chair, African Climate Foundation Board & Professor, Mandela School of Public Governance at the University of Cape Town, South Africa
<p>12:00 – 13:00</p>	<p>Culinary Villages & Recipe of changes</p> <p>Hosted by Paul Newnham, Director, SDG2 Advocacy Hub</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bean challenge • Culinary Villages & Recipe of changes. • Chefs: TV conversation and tasting • Networking and drinks
<p>12:00 – 14:30 LUNCH TIME</p>	

14:30 – 18:00

PRESIDENTIAL SUMMIT

Africa's Solutions to Food Security and Sustainable Food Systems Transformation.

The Presidential Summit at AGRF 2023 engages high-level dialogues and commitments to advance Africa's food systems transformation, focusing on the theme "Recover, Regenerate, Act." This high-level summit serves as a catalyst for forging the Africa position on food systems, deepen partnerships between nations, and create actionable plans and legacy programs and deals to mobilize investments, including with private sector to ensure a sustainable, resilient, and inclusive equitable food system across the continent. This session offers an opportunity to share experiences, challenges, and solutions, fostering a shared understanding and commitment to transforming Africa's food systems.

Moderator

- Mr. Larry Madowo, CNN International Correspondent, African Voices

Welcoming remarks

- Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe, Minister of Agriculture, United Republic of Tanzania

AGRF Remarks

- Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA
- H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia & Chair, AGRF Partner's Group

Video Message: The Africa We Want.

Presidential Keynote Remarks: Transforming Food Systems for Food Security and Prosperity

- H. E. President Samia Suluhu Hassan, United Republic of Tanzania

THE GREAT DEBATE: CAN AFRICA FEED ITSELF?

Leaders' perspectives on Africa's Vision for Food System Transformation

Round 1

Quantum Leap for Food Security

- Mr. Rodger Voorhies, President - Global Growth and Opportunity Division, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) & AGRA Board Member
- Rt. Hon. Patricia Scotland, Secretary General, Commonwealth
- Hon. Gérardine Mukeshimana, Vice President, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Round 2

Financing Food Systems Transformation

- Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank Group (AfDB)
- H.E. Mariam Almheiri, Minister of Climate Change and Environment, UAE
- Hon. Anne Beathe Tvinneim, Minister of International Development, Norway
- Mr. Svein Tore Holsether, President and CEO, Yara International
- Ms. Melinda Bohannon, DG Humanitarian & Development, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), UK

<p>14:30 – 18:00</p>	<p>PRESIDENTIAL SUMMIT</p> <p>PRESIDENTIAL SUMMIT: Heads of State Roundtable</p> <p>Special remarks: Feeding people and safeguard the planet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary General of the UN • Mr. Bill Gates, Co-Founder, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (not yet confirmed) <p>Heads of State Roundtable discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. President Samia Suluhu Hassan, United Republic of Tanzania • H.E. Lazarus Mcarthy Chakwera, President of the Republic of Malawi • H.E. Hakainde Hichilema, President of the Republic of Zambia • H.E. Dr. William Samoei Ruto, President of the Republic of Kenya • H.E. Emmerson Mnangagwa, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe • H.E. Dr. Abiy Ali Ahmed, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia • H.E. Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal • H.E. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda • H.E. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda • H.E. Evariste Ndayishimiye, President of the Republic of Burundi • H.E. Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of South Sudan • H.E. Felix Antoine Tshisekedi, President of the Democratic Republic of Congo • H.E. Cyril Ramaphosa, President of the Republic of South Africa • H.E. Dr. Hage G. Geingob, President of the Republic of Namibia • H.E. Azali Assoumani, President of the Union of Comoros • The Honourable Mia Amor Mottley, S.C. M.P., Prime Minister of Barbados (Special Guest) <p>Vote of Thanks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Hussein Ali Mwinyi, President of Zanzibar
<p>19:30 – 22:00</p>	<p>AGRF GALA dinner and Africa Food Prize Award Ceremony (by invitation only) at the State House.</p> <p>A glamorous evening filled with celebration, inspiration and networking opportunities with other leaders and influencers in the agriculture industry. It is an opportunity to showcase initiatives and gain recognition and support from the wider community. Under the patronage of HE. Jakaya Kikwete, the Africa Food Prize is the preeminent award that recognizes an outstanding individual or institution that is leading the effort to change the reality of farming in Africa—from a struggle to survive to a business that thrives.</p> <p>The US \$100,000 worth prize celebrates Africans who are taking control of Africa's agriculture agenda. This year, the ceremony will put a spotlight on bold initiatives and technical innovations that can be replicated across the Continent to create a new era of food security and economic opportunity for all Africans.</p>



DAY 04



DAY 4 : FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2023

ACT: CLIMATE RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS – ROAD TO COP 28

TIME	SESSION
7:00 – 9:00	<p>Tanzania Showcase</p> <p>Taking Blue Economy into the Next level: Experience from Zanzibar</p> <p>Keynote Speech</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Blue Economy, and Fisheries-Zanzibar <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Director of Fisheries,• Director of Blue economy Coordination,• Director of Marine Conservation,• DG- Word Fish Center,• IFAD,• UNDP
8:30 – 9:00	<p>Good Morning AGRF</p> <p>Each morning will kick start with the highlights of the upcoming day, understand the themes under discussion, and find out all the interesting places to interact with thought leaders. For this one - as it will be during the last day- we will focus on the challenges and opportunities associated with creating and maintaining affordable food systems that can feed a growing global population.</p> <p>Hosts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Jolenta Joseph, Tanzania• Mr. John Agboola, Nigeria• Ms. Wangari Kuria, Kenya <p>Guests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Jason Brantley, Vice President, Production Systems, Small Ag & Turf, John Deere• Mrs. Ndèye Diop Niang, Partnerships Manager, Syngenta Foundation• Dr. Rebbie Harawa, Regional Director-East & Southern Africa, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)

9:00 – 11:30

PLENARY

Journey towards COP28: Adapting Africa's Food System to Climate Change

This plenary session focuses on the urgent need to adapt Africa's food system to the challenges of climate change. We will explore the impact of climate change on food systems in Africa, the policy responses needed to ensure food security and action required for resilient food systems in the face of these challenges. On the first roundtable, we will dive into the importance of incorporating Food Systems into National Adaptation and mitigation plans, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), and other national strategies. On the second roundtable, we will focus on solutions to improve the resilience of food systems, including sustainable agriculture practices, innovative technologies, and improved supply chains. Lastly, on the third roundtable, we will explore the financing needed to support these solutions, including public and private sector investment, and access to climate finance. This session builds on the Climate Action Summit and provides key recommendations as well as Africa's position on food systems and climate nexus for COP 28.

Moderator

- Mr. Jeff Koinange, Anchor/Talk Show Host

Framing remarks

- Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA and Special Envoy for the 2021 Food Systems Summit

Keynote Speech

- H.E. Mariam Almheiri, Minister of Climate Change and Environment, UAE

Roundtable 1

Food Systems into National Plans and Implementation Mechanisms

- Dr. Johan Swinnen, Director General, Managing Director of Systems Transformation, CGIAR and Director General, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
- Hon. Lee White, Minister of Water, Forest, Sea and Environment, Gabon
- Ms. Cristina Duarte, UN USG, Special Advisor on Africa
- Hon. Selemani Saidi Jafo, Minister of State, Office of the Vice President Union and Environment, United Republic of Tanzania
- Mr. Kristopher Hamel, Special Envoy, UAE Climate Change
- Dr. Mithika Mwenda, Executive Director, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance

Moderator

- Mr. Daouda Sembene, CEO, AfriCatalyst (former Executive Director, IMF)

Roundtable 2

Future Proofing and Financing Food Systems

- Hon. Dr. Mwigulu Nchemba, Minister of Finance, United Republic of Tanzania
- Mr. Abdulmajid Musa Nsekela, CEO, Cooperative and Rural Development Bank (CRDB), Green Finance, Tanzania
- Mr. Martien Van Nieuwkoop, Global Director for Agriculture and Food, World Bank
- Ms. Ann Vaughan, Senior Advisor for Climate Change, Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, USAID
- Mr. Tabi Joda, Lead, One Billion Trees for Africa Great Green Wall

Closing remarks

- Ms. Nadine Gbossa, Director, Food Systems Coordination, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

9:00 – 11:30

Sustainable Livestock and Pastoralism Transformation

This session provides a forum for governments, producer organizations, research and academic institutions, development agencies, civil society organizations and private sector to engage in dialogues on innovations and food systems pathways to efficiently produce more nutritious, safe and accessible animal source foods with a reduced environmental footprint, and contribute to vibrant local and diversified livestock systems that are more resilient to shocks and disruptions in Africa.

Moderator

- Ms. Zuhura Yunus, Director of Presidential Communications, Tanzania State House

Fireside Chat

- Hon. Abdallah Ulega, Minister of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania
- Dr. Shirley Tarawali, Chair, Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock & DDG, ILRI

Roundtable 1 Sustainable Livestock Transformation

- Dr. Babafemi Oyewole, Chief Executive Officer, Pan African Farmers' Organization
- Hon. Fred Bwino Kyakulaga, Minister of State for Agriculture, Animal Industry & Fisheries, Republic of Uganda
- Mr. Jean Baptiste HATEGEKIMANA, President of Continental Executive Committee, African Youth in Livestock, Fisheries and Aquaculture Incubation Network (AYL-FAIN)
- Dr. Nyabenyi Tipo, Representative to Tanzania, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

Roundtable 2 Supply and Demand of Animal Sourced Food

- Dr. Anthony Whitbread, Director of the Sustainable Livestock System program, ILRI
- Mrs. Margaret Munene, CEO, Palmhouse Dairy, Kenya
- Dr. Juliana Kantengwa, Founder, Wood Valley Organics
- Ms. Emmastella Gakuo, COO, Savannah Circuit, Kenya
- Mr. Jay Waldvogel, Senior Vice President Strategy and International Development, Dairy Farmers of America, and Chair, Dairy Nourishes Africa for Global Dairy Platform
- Ms. Prudence Masako, Country Director, CARE Tanzania

9:00 – 11:30

Food Systems in a time of Crisis: Youth Refugees, Migrants and displaced people as part of the solutions

This session seeks to share impactful stories on how the inclusion of young the refugees, migrants and displaced in Agri-Food Systems have helped to address urgent food demand and long-term recovery process and development in a humanitarian and post conflicts and climate crisis context. It is a conversation with youth refugees, migrants and humanitarian leaders/scientists/cash payments/preparedness mechanisms on practical solutions including school gardens, cash payments among others to address the root causes of conflict such us inequality, marginalization, and exclusion of youth in countries/regions in fragile contexts.

Moderator

- Ms. Vanessa Adams, Vice President Strategic Partnership and CoP for Inclusive Agricultural Transformation in Africa, AGRA

Framing remarks

- H.E. Pascal Lamy, Chair, Climate Overshoot Commission

Panel Discussion 1

- Ms. Adeyinka Badejo, Deputy Regional Director, World Food Programme (WFP)
- Ms. Ada Osakwe, Managing Partner, Agrolay Ventures, AGRA Board Member, & Youth Ambassador Generation Africa
- Ms. Alice Nzamukosha, Vice President of Zone 2, CODIGA Cooperative
- Mr. Bernard Hien, Regional Director, West and Central Africa Division, IFAD
- Mr. Ahmed Madobe Nunow, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation of the Federal Republic of Somalia

Panel Discussion 2

- Hon. Ms Josephine Joseph Lagu, Minister, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security in South Sudan
- Mr. Kayitare Shema, Vice President of the Cooperative, CODIGA Cooperative
- Ms. Lian Biar Kuoiret Deng, NextGen Ag Impact Network, South Sudan
- Mr Anthony Mhagama, Programme Manager, IUCN

Closing Remarks

- Mr. Zlatan Milisic, UN Resident Coordinator, Tanzania

9:00 – 11:30

Green Financing Framework for Food Systems Transformation

In the wake of the Paris agreement, green financing mechanisms were heralded as a crucial pathway to support climate change mitigation and safeguard global food systems. However, despite the growing awareness of the urgent need for sustainable funding, the world has fallen short in meeting its financing obligations. The consequences of this failure are evident, as vulnerable communities bear the brunt of climate-related impacts on food production, distribution, and accessibility. To effectively protect food systems and build resilience, there is an urgent call for governments, international organizations, and private sectors to reinvigorate their commitments, channelling substantial resources into green financing initiatives that promote sustainable agriculture, biodiversity conservation, and equitable access to nutritious food.

Moderator

- Dr. Geeta Sethi, Advisor, Global Agriculture Practice, World Bank

Panel 1 Discussion

- Mr. Ibrahima Cheikh Diong, United Nations Assistant Secretary General (UN-ASG) and Director General (GDG), African Risk Capacity Group
- Hon. El Sayed el Quseir, Minister of Agriculture and Land Reclamation, Egypt
- Hon. Mudrick Ramadani Soraga, Minister, Ministry of Labour, Economy and Investment Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania
- H.E. Mohamed Beavogui, Former Prime Minister of Guinea and Special Envoy for the 13th Replenishment of IFAD
- Mr. Bhupen Dubey, CEO, Advanta Seeds
- Mr. Maurits Waardenburg, Co-Leader of McKinsey partnership with the Hydrogen Council, McKinsey & Company
- Ms. Hope Murera, CEO, COMESA Insurance

Panel 2 Discussion

Green Banking

- Mr. Kenneth Davis Kasigila, Head of Policy Advisory and Climate Finance, CRDB Bank
- Dr. Peter Umunay, Senior Environmental Specialist, Global Environment Facility (GEF)
- Mr. Juan Lucas Restrepo, Director General, Alliance of Biodiversity International and the International Centre for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT)
- Mr. Conrad Rein, Director of Policy Outreach, Innovation Commission, Development Innovation Lab (DIL)
- Hon. Emmanuel Mpawe Tutuba, Governor of the Bank of Tanzania
- Mr. Boleslaw Stawicki, Country Director, Tanzania, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Tanzania

9:00 – 11:30

Youth Innovation Awards Ceremony

Generation Africa brings partners together to strengthen the ecosystem for young agripreneurs across the continent. The GoGettaz Agripreneur Prize aims to find Africa's brightest young agrifood entrepreneurs. Two winners, one woman and one man, with scalable and impactful business or social ventures will be announced and will each receive US\$50,000 for their businesses.

Celebrate the winners. Be inspired by young people who leverage ICT innovation to transform the agrifood sector in Africa. The Pitch AgriHack competition aims to promote ICT innovation and entrepreneurship in agriculture in African countries. The competition identifies and amplifies efforts by young innovators to build resilience through digital agriculture products and services. Winners of the competition will receive funding and continued support to scale up their innovations into products that can help transform the entire sector.

Moderator

- Ms. Sherrie Silver, IFAD Advocate for Rural Youth, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Fire starters

- Mr. John Kamara, Founder and CEO, Adanian Labs & Founder and CEO, AICE at Adanian Labs/AI Centre of Excellence (AICE), Sierra Leone
- Ms. Aggie Asiimwe Konde, VP Programme Innovation & Delivery, AGRA

Youth Guests

- Mr. Samson Alemu, Co-Founder, Thur Biotech, AYuTE winner, Ethiopia
- Ms. Esther Kimani, 2022 Pitch Agrihack Winner & CEO, FarmerLifeLine Technologies
- Ms. Anaporka Adazabra, CEO, Farmio, Ghana

AWARDS ceremonies

Congratulations

- Ms. Surita Sandosham, CEO, Heifer international
- Rt. Hon. Patricia Scotland, Secretary General, Commonwealth
- Ms. Nelly Mukazayire, Deputy CEO, Rwanda Development Board

<p>11:30 – 13:30</p>	<p>CLOSING PLENARY</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jeff Koinange, Anchor/Talk Show Host <p>Commitments and Showcase</p> <p>The High-Level Closing Ceremony is the culmination of the four-day AGRF 2023 Program.</p> <p>This closing session provides an opportunity to reflect on the progress made during the conference and celebrate successful deals and partnerships established during the event. It also offers a platform for companies and governments to present their commitments and showcase the impact of their investments. The session also highlights the outcomes of the matchmaking sessions and the deal room. This session provides a space for us to gain valuable insights into the future of Africa’s food systems and the potential for inclusive investment opportunities towards 2030.</p> <p>Curtain raise: Road to CoP28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Razan Al Mubarak, UN Climate Change High-Level Champion <p>Raising the Bar on 2023: Committing to More Inclusive and Resilient Food Systems in Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe, Minister of Agriculture of the United Republic of Tanzania Hon. Dr. Ildephonse Musafiri Minister, Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources (MINAGRI), Rwanda Ms. Marilia Bezerra, Chief Programmes Officer, IKEA Foundation Mr. Jason Brantley, Vice President, Production Systems, Small Ag & Turf, John Deere Ms. Samira Ade-Adebiye, Managing Director, AFEX Investment Limited Dr. Donal Brown, Associate Vice President Programme Management Department, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) H.E. Amb. Ertharin Cousin, Founder and CEO, Food Systems for the Future Rt. Hon. Andrew Mitchell, Minister of State for Development and Africa, United Kingdom (ADDRESS VIA VIDEO) <p>Deal Room Report Back</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Vanessa Adams, VP Strategic Partnerships, and COP Partnership for Inclusive Agricultural Transformation in Africa, AGRA <p>Synthesis of AGRF 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Amath Pathé Sene, Managing Director, Africa Food Systems Forum – AGRF Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, AGRA <p>Call to Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. Abdallah Ulega, Minister of Livestock and Fisheries, United Republic of Tanzania <p>AGRF 2023 Declaration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Amath Pathé Sene, Managing Director, Africa Food Systems Forum - AGRF <p>Closing video: A Week In Review</p> <p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Former Prime Minister, Ethiopia Hon. Hussein Mohamed Bashe, Minister of Agriculture, United Republic of Tanzania H.E. Kassim Majaliwa Majaliwa, Prime Minister of the United Republic of Tanzania
<p>Departure 15:00 Ferry (by own arrangement)</p>	<p>ZANZIBAR State Tour</p> <p>BLUE ECONOMY AND SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES IN THE FACE OF CLIMATE CHANGE</p> <p>Interactive discussions between Zanzibar leadership and Climate Leaders & Agri-Tourism</p> <p>19:00 - Late night: Entertainment and FOOD FESTIVAL at Forodhani Gardens</p> <p>Local Cuisine Dinner & Entertainment</p>





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