Title: Leveraging the CAADP Results Framework for Nutrition in Africa

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Abstract
The Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) has over the last decade enabled countries to address key transformational issues for agricultural development at national level. In the Malabo Declaration, the African Heads of State committed to ending hunger, reducing stunting to 10% and underweight to 5% by 2025 using agriculture as a key strategy. This in recognition of the importance of food and nutrition security for Africa’s development agenda. The Africa region nutrition strategy 2015-2025 has also recognized that some African countries are indeed making significant progress creating a platform for lesson sharing and learning on programmes and policies. The Malabo declaration acknowledged the progress that CAADP has made in its first decade and highlighted the need for translating Africa’s agricultural development goals into tangible results. Monitoring, tracking and reporting of progress on CAADP implementation and outcomes will be done through the CAADP Results Framework. Work done by NEPAD in 2011 with support from USAID showed that most National Agriculture Food Security Investment Plans (NAFSIPs) lacked explicit nutrition objectives and concrete actions to improve nutrition. To fill this gap, the African Union and NEPAD, in collaboration with FAO, Regional Economic Communities and other development partners (donors, UN organizations, NGOs, academia and private sector), launched the CAADP Nutrition Capacity Development Initiative. The overall purpose of which was to enhance the contribution of agriculture to multi-sectorial strategies to improve nutrition by integrating nutrition in national CAADP processes — from design to implementation — and ensuring that nutrition interventions were planned, budgeted and implemented as a part of their
NAFSIPs. Although much work and advocacy remains, we now have nutrition in the CAADP Results Framework and next year’s ReSAKSS conference will focus on nutrition for the first time. This symposium is aimed at engaging a wide spectrum of stakeholders who form part of the CAADP Results Framework process leading to next year’s conference in support of maintaining momentum for agriculture impacting nutrition on the continent. The symposium will have the following objectives.

**Objectives:**

1. Positioning nutrition in Africa’s development agenda, the CAADP and ReSAKSS process and how this can be leveraged for greater nutrition security in support of Africa’s development goals in the long term.
2. Identify challenges that may need to be addressed to facilitate data collection and management processes aligned to the CAADP results framework and Africa Development Goals (ADG’s).
3. Contribute to providing direction on what needs to be done towards next year’s ReSAKSS conference which is to focus on nutrition

**Programme:**

1. Introduction to the symposium
2. Key note address: The AU aims to use agriculture as a key strategy for Africa’s development and to address nutrition: where does nutrition fit in Africa’s development agenda?
3. What has been done to mainstream nutrition into the CAADP process
4. Nutrition is now in the CAADP results framework: challenges and implications for the next steps.
5. Discussion: The discussion will be used to maximize input from the audience.
6. Concluding remarks

The discussion to follow will focus on addressing the following issues

1. What opportunities does including nutrition in the results framework provide for addressing nutrition at country and continental level?
2. What challenges need to be addressed at country level to ensure that the information needed can be collected effectively?
3. How can the information collected be best leveraged for greater momentum on nutrition and agriculture?

We will have rapporteurs so that the proceedings report can be disseminated to the wider CAADP and Development Community.