

SIDE EVENTS, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2019

9.00–10.30 (1ST ROUND)

SIDE EVENT # 1: Through the Water Lens: Exploring the Diversity of Gender, Youth, and its Implications for Agricultural Transformation in Africa

Venue: GABITE **Time:** 09:00-10:30

Organized by: International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

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Women make up half the population and provide an average of 40 percent of the labour in crop production in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA). Moreover, Africa is a continent of young people – 60 percent of the population is under 24 years of age, and about 12 million young people join the workforce every year. Yet women and youth face numerous barriers in agricultural management. Across SSA, only 15 percent of landholders are women. Moreover, the lack of collateral, and access to education, finance, and advisory services are some of the well-known challenges affecting their ability to enter the agricultural sector.

In addition to this, there is a growing body of research drawing attention to the diversity within women and youth groups, and that they can no longer be viewed as homogenous categories, due in part to the complexity of different socio-political, economic, and ecological contexts.

The [International Water Management Institute](#) (IWMI) has a well-established portfolio of Research for Development (R4D) projects that have explored the diversity of gender and youth and its implications for agricultural transformation in Africa. The first presentation summarises the results of a study under the CGIAR Research Program on Fish Agri-Food Systems, in eight countries across Africa and the Asia-Pacific, examining existing knowledge on the opportunities and challenges to youth involvement in aquaculture and small-scale fisheries. The second presentation provides a comparison of matrilineal and patrilineal land tenure and productivity. Combining work done in several projects throughout Africa, this presentation looks at how men and women's land rights are translated differently in different communities. The third presentation examines the age-structure and dynamics of employment in the agri-food system (AFS) in Tanzania and Malawi. It further segments youth into different age groups and unpacks the movements of youth (aged 15-24) and young adults (aged 25-34) into and out of AFS.

In essence, this session seeks to engage participants on the heterogeneity of women and youth and the complexity of their inclusion and exclusion in agricultural sectors as impacted by the translation of land rights, their individual abilities and aspirations, access challenges, intersectional identities, and the influence of social ties and networks. The side event seeks to provide a dialogue opportunity for participants from government and the R4D community to explore ways in which research evidence and gender transformative methodologies can best be exchanged and communicated to policy and decision-makers.

PROGRAM

Welcome

Dr Greenwell Matchaya, Senior Researcher and ReSAKSS Coordinator for Southern Africa, IWMI-Southern Africa

Youth Participation in Small-Scale Fisheries, Aquaculture and Value Chains

Likimyelesh Nigussie, Researcher, IWMI-Ethiopia

Addressing the Rights and Ownership Challenge: Gender, Youth and Land Rights in Patrilineal Societies

Dr Inga Jacobs-Mata, Country Representative, IWMI-Southern Africa

Who Works in Agriculture? Exploring the Dynamics of Youth Involvement in the Agri-Food Systems of Tanzania And Malawi

Kashi Kafle, Researcher, IWMI-Sri Lanka

Discussion

Moderator: *Dr. Greenwell Matchaya, Senior Researcher and ReSAKSS Coordinator for Southern Africa, IWMI-Southern Africa*

Closing Remarks

Dr Inga Jacobs-Mata, Country Representative, IWMI-Southern Africa

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SIDE EVENT 3: Accelerating gender equality and rural women's economic empowerment in Africa: Where are the key gaps in knowledge and action?

Venue: GABITE **Time:** 10:35– 12:05

Organized by: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

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ABSTRACT

Rural women in Africa play important roles in improving rural livelihoods and wellbeing. They account for up to 60 percent of the labour force in family farming and play crucial roles in agricultural production, processing, marketing, as well as nutrition, food security, and the rural economy at large.

Yet progress in empowering rural women has been slow and uneven across regions. Rural women continue to have limited access to and control over productive resources, technologies, services and



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opportunities and often have low education levels, which hinders their potential to contribute to rural development and benefit from it. Empowering rural women builds the human capital of future generations and has a positive impact on women's social and political empowerment and agency.

This event will provide an overview of gender gaps in agriculture, with particular focus on highlighting the important role of sound evidence for policy-making and showcasing inspirational examples of solutions that effectively empower rural women. Panelists will share their ideas on key entry points for closing the gender gaps in agriculture, and the policy and programmatic actions needed to bring about positive change.

PROGRAM

Moderator: Dr. Jemimah Njuki, Senior Program Specialist, International Development Research Centre

Panelists

- **The gender gap in agriculture: what do we know and what does it imply for policies and programmes?**
Dr. Cheryl Doss, Senior Departmental Lecturer in Development Economics and Associate Professor, University of Oxford (TBC)
- **Gender inequalities in agriculture: evidence from FAO's country gender assessments**
Dr. Susan Kaaria, Senior Gender officer, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- **How can the Regional Economic Commissions support countries to close the gender gap in agriculture.**
(TBD)
- **What is the role of Civil Society Organizations in supporting and advocating for countries to promote the economic and social rights of women farmers.**
Ms Kafui Kuwonu, Director of Programmes at Women in Law and Development Africa, West Africa (WiLDAF-WA) (TBC)

SIDE EVENT # 4: Mozambique SAKSS Local Analysis Network: Progress and Lessons Learned

Venue: MIDZAO Time: **10:35– 12:05**

Organized by: ReSAKSS-Southern Africa (SA)

Contact Person: *Greenwell Matchaya*, ReSAKSS-SA and *Delfim Vilissa*- Director for Department of Planning and Economics, Ministry of Agriculture, Mozambique

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ABSTRACT

Evidence-based policy planning and decision making are critical for transformative agricultural development and this is highlighted within the broader framework of the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP). Thus, for an agriculture sector to sustainably meet its evidence needs during various phases of the policy process, having local analytical expertise is critical. The ReSAKSS program through the Mozambique Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System (SAKSS) is facilitating the development of a robust Local Analysis Network (LAN) in Mozambique to help meet CAADP data and analytical knowledge needs of policymakers. The side event will highlight work of the Mozambique SAKSS and share lessons learned that can guide LANs being set up in other countries.

PROGRAM

Welcome and Introduction (5 minutes)

Greenwell Matchaya, ReSAKSS –SA Coordinator and Senior International Economics Researcher at International Water Management Institute

Moderator: Godfrey Bahigwa, Director, Department of Rural Economy & Agriculture Commission, African Union Commission (AUC-DREA)

Presentation:

Delfim Vilissa, Director for Department of Planning and Economics, Ministry of Agriculture, Mozambique
Overview of Mozambique Local Analysis Network and Activities (15 minutes)

Q & A (20 minutes)

Presentations by Mozambique Local Analysis Network Members:

Joao Mutondo, Professor, Eduardo Mondlane University, Mozambique (10 mins)

Helder Zavele, Senior Lecturer in Economics, Eduardo Mondlane University, Mozambique (10 mins)

Q & A (25 minutes)

Closing Remarks (5 minutes)

Greenwell Matchaya, ReSAKSS –SA Coordinator & Senior International Economics Researcher at International Water Management Institute

SIDE EVENT # 5: Centrality of Gender to Agricultural Transformation

Venue: OKAABO Time: 10:35– 12:05

Organized by: CARE International

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ABSTRACT

Gender equality and women's voice (GEVV) are central to the work of CARE in Africa. GEVV as one of CARE's core approaches in addition to inclusive governance and resilience serve as an anchor for CARE's work in Southern Africa on enhancing food security, nutrition, and climate change; and has been the building block of the women's economic and social empowerment programs in West Africa. CARE has succeeded in transforming agriculture by working with smallholder farmers of which women constitute the majority through the adoption of climate smart and resilient agriculture. CARE's experience has shown that 60 percent of the village savings and loans associations' (VSLAs or savings groups) investment is invested back into small-scale agricultural production, where women form majority of the participants. During this side event, panelists will showcase how a focus on gender equitable systems is a critical success factor in achieving the Malabo targets on poverty reduction, resilience, and food and nutrition security in the countries where CARE is working in Africa. Panelists will further share examples of how they have integrated a gender equality focus in their work on agriculture and improving rural economies.

PROGRAM

Welcome

Dr. Fatma Zennou, Women on the Move, IGS Manager, CARE Niger

The centrality of gender in CARE's development work

Panelists

- **Role of Gender integration in achieving Malabo Declaration: Lessons from CARE's work in Southern Africa.**
Vitumbiko Chinoko, Regional Advocacy Advisor, CARE USA, Southern Africa
- **Successes and Challenges on Integrating Gender in Agriculture Transformation: Lesson Learnt from CARE's work in West Africa**
Aisha Rahamatali, Regional Advocacy Advisor, CARE US, West Africa
- **Presentation by women small holder farmers on gender, climate smart agriculture and nutrition.**
Ms. Huguette Sekpe, Women on the Move, IGS Manager, CARE Benin/Niger.
- **Role of gender in the adoption of adoption of climate smart agriculture practices and technologies.**
Dr. Francis Hale, Director of Policy and Communications, FANRPAN,

Gender Integration as success factor in VSLA and Nutrition Programming

Ms. Huguette Sekpe, Women Empowerment Programme Coordinator, CARE Benin/Togo

Closing Remarks

Dr Fatma Zennou, Women on the Move, IGS Manager, CARE Niger

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SIDE EVENT # 6: Measuring women's empowerment: towards a women's empowerment metric for national statistical systems

Venue: **GABITE** Time: **13:05– 14:35**

Organized by: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

Contact Person: *Agnes Quisumbing, Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI*

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ABSTRACT

While there has been considerable progress in measuring women's empowerment, there is a need for streamlined measures of women's empowerment in agriculture suitable for national statistical systems. It is urgent given countries' reporting requirements for SDG2, SDG5 and for Africa, the CAADP Biennial Review. In cooperation with the 50 x 2030 initiative's work to establish data systems for better agricultural monitoring and decision-making at global, regional, and national levels, IFPRI intends to develop tested, validated, streamlined women's empowerment metrics suitable for incorporation into national statistical systems (provisionally called women's empowerment metric for national statistical systems, or WEMNS). Such an instrument could provide the gender-related indicators for the CAADP Biennial Review Reports. This session is designed as a consultation with key stakeholders to assess the demand for a women's empowerment measure, and the dimensions it should encompass.

PROGRAM

Welcome

Farzana Ramzan, Monitoring and Evaluation Advisor, USAID

Overview of the potential for a women's empowerment metric for national statistical systems

Agnes Quisumbing, Senior Research Fellow

Panelists

- **Reflections from the national perspective**
Tiope Mleme, Malawi National Statistical Office
- **Reflections from the regional perspective**
Mbaye Yade, ReSAKSS Coordinator for West Africa
- **Reflections from a global perspective**
Susan Kaaria, Senior Gender officer, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Discussion

Moderator: **Ruth Meinzen-Dick**, Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI

Closing Remarks

Vicki Wilde, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

SIDE EVENT # 7: Engendering the National Agricultural Investment Plan: Gender in IFPRI/ReSAKSS Support to NAIP Development

Venue: MIDZAO **Time:** 13:05– 14.35

Organized by: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) and ReSAKSS

Contact Person: *Ismael Fofana*, Research Fellow, Africa Region, IFPRI

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ABSTRACT

The side event will highlight the ways in which gender informs the support provided by the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) and Regional Analysis and Knowledge Support System (ReSAKSS) for the development of National Agriculture Investment Plans (NAIPs). Gender is one of the eight thematic areas structuring the IFPRI-ReSAKSS support, and is taken into account in the other thematic areas as data allows.

The IFPRI-ReSAKSS NAIP support consists of three deliverables:

- 1) The Status Assessment and Profile (SAP) report describes recent progress and current status of the country with respect to the thematic areas
- 2) The Malabo Goals and Milestones (MGM) report identifies investment priorities and milestones to achieve the Malabo agricultural growth and poverty and hunger reduction goals
- 3) The Policy and Program Opportunities (PPO) report identifies good practices in the thematic areas and gaps and opportunities at the country level, and makes recommendations for the countries to accelerate their progress in meeting the Malabo goals

One of the local experts carrying out the NAIP analysis will discuss the treatment of gender in the SAP report. The report reviews indicators on the status of women and men in agriculture, including data from the Women's Empowerment in Agriculture Index (WEAI), if available. In countries for which WEAI data has not been collected, the experts create an empowerment index using DHS data to inform the SAP report. The MGM report uses poverty assessment, economywide modeling and agricultural productivity analysis to identify investment priority areas; IFPRI staff will discuss ways in which the modeling tools can be extended to better take gender into account. Finally, a member of the NAIP Task Force advising the



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IFPRI-ReSAKSS NAIP support will discuss the approach of the PPO report to identify good practices and make recommendations for countries to accelerate progress toward gender equality in agriculture.

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Welcome and opening remarks (5 mins)

Moderator: Nyameka Mbeté, CAADP Junior Technical Advisor, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

Presentations

Gender in the SAP report: Empowerment data (10 mins)

TBD

Gender in the MGM report: Poverty assessment (10 mins)

Ismael Fofana, Research Fellow, Africa Region, IFPRI

Gender in the MGM report: Agricultural productivity (10 mins)

Léa Magne Domgho, Research Analyst, Africa Region-Dakar, IFPRI

Gender in the PPO report: Cross-country best practices (10 mins)

Mariame Maiga, Gender and Social Development Adviser, West and Central African Council for Agricultural Research and Development (CORAF)

Discussant comments (10 mins)

TBD

General discussion (30 mins)

Concluding remarks (5 mins)

Moderator: Nyameka Mbeté, CAADP Junior Technical Advisor, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

