

2022 ReSAKSS CONFERENCE

Agrifood Processing Strategies for Successful Food Systems Transformation in Africa



Agenda

October 25-27

Meikles Hotel, Harare, Zimbabwe

Day 1 – Tuesday, October 25, 2022

Time (CAT)

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| 08.00 – 15.00 | REGISTRATION |
| 08.00 – 09.00 | WELCOME COFFEE |
| 09.00 – 10.40 | SIDE EVENT 1: “CAADP Biennial Review Data Challenges, Improvements and Way Forward” – Room: BAGATELLE |
| 10.40 – 12.10 | SIDE EVENT 2: “Zimbabwe’s Vision 30 Accelerator Model: Pfumvudza Programme and Commercialization of Irrigation Schemes” – Room: BAGATELLE |
| 12.10 – 13.10 | LUNCH BREAK |
| 13.10 – 14.40 | SIDE EVENT 3: “Towards an African Fertilizer and Soil Health Action Plan” – Room: BAGATELLE |
| 14.40 – 14.50 | COFFEE BREAK |

15.00: ReSAKSS ANNUAL CONFERENCE - Stewart Conference Room

Opening Session of the 2022 ReSAKSS Annual Conference

Plenary Session I: Agrifood processing strategies for successful food systems transformation in Africa

Chairperson: Ambassador Ertharin Cousin,

AKADEMIYA2063 Board of Trustees Vice Chair; Founder and CEO, Food Systems for the Future

15.00 - Welcome and Opening Remarks [40 mins]

- Dr. Ousmane Badiane,
Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063
- Ms. Maura Barry Boyle,
Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, US Agency for International Development (USAID)
- H.E. Ambassador. Josefa L. C. Sacko,
Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission (AUC)
- Hon. Mr. Vangelis Peter Haritatos,
Deputy Minister of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water, and Rural Development, Zimbabwe

15.40 - Keynote Presentation – Trends and outlook for Africa’s agrifood mid segment sector [15 mins]

- Prof. Tom Reardon,
Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics, Michigan State University

15.55 - Overview of the 2022 Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR) [20 mins]

- Dr. John Ulimwengu,
Senior Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)



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16.15 - Moderated Panel Discussion [40 mins]

• **Moderator: Dr. Yanira Ntupanyama,**

Former Secretary for Forestry and Natural Resources, Ministry of Forestry and Natural Resources, Malawi

Panelists:

• **Mr. Clemence Taderera Bwenje,**

Chief Director, Strategic Planning and Business Development, Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water, and Rural Development, Zimbabwe

• **Dr. Godfrey Bahigwa,**

Director, Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, the Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission (AUC)

• **Dr. Hamady Diop,**

Head of the Program, Natural Resource Governance, Food Security, and Nutrition, African Union Development Agency-NEPAD (AUDA-NEPAD)

• **Ms. Elizabeth Nsimadala,**

President, Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF)

16.55 - Plenary Discussion [30 mins]

• **Moderator: Dr. Yanira Ntupanyama,**

Former Secretary for Forestry and Natural Resources, Ministry of Forestry and Natural Resources, Malawi

17.25 - Concluding Remarks [10 mins]

• **Dr. Ousmane Badiane,**

Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063

17.35 - END OF DAY ONE

18.30 - COCKTAIL RECEPTION/ReSAKSS DATA CHALLENGE AWARDS

• **Dr. Ousmane Badiane,**

Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063

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Plenary Session II: Dynamics in Africa's agrifood processing sector and performance of key agrifood industries

Chairperson: Dr. Nalishebo Meebelo,

Executive Director, Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI)

09.00 - Day 1 Recap and Day 2 Objectives [10 mins]

• **Ms. Tsitsi Makombe,**

Director, Department of External Relations, AKADEMIYA2063

09.10- Presentation 1-The Rise of Africa's Processing Sector and Commercialization of Smallholder Agriculture [10 mins]

• **Dr. Ousmane Badiane,**

Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063

09.20-Presentation 2-The Dynamics of Africa's Fruit and Vegetable Processing Sectors [10 mins]

• **Mr. Mwasilwa Ambali,**

Lead Specialist - Technology Scaling, World Vegetable Center

09.30-Presentation 3-An Overview of Meat Processing in Africa [10 mins]

• **Dr. Karl M. Rich,**

Professor of Agricultural Economics, Oklahoma State University

09.40-Plenary Discussion [15 mins]



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09.55 - Moderated Panel Discussion [40 mins]

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Executive Director, Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI)

Panelists:

• **Ms. Aminata Ndoye,**

Executive Secretary, Conseil National de Développement de la Nutrition (CNDN), Senegal

• **Mr. Bagoré Bathily,**

CEO, La Laiterie du Berger

• **Dr. Antony Chapoto,**

CEO, Center for Agriculture and Food Policy (CAFP), Zimbabwe

• **Dr. Saweda Liverpool-Tasie,**

MSU Foundation Professor, Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics, Michigan State University

10.35 - Plenary Discussion [20 mins]

• **Moderator: Dr. Nalishebo Meebelo,**

Executive Director, Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI)

10.55 - Coffee Break [20 mins]

Plenary Session III: Policies and investments for successful agrifood processing sectors – Enterprise leadership and innovation

Chairperson: Mr. Francis Hale,

Director, Department of Policy Advocacy & Communications, Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Policy Analysis Network (FANRPAN)

11.15 - Presentation 1–Policies and investments to support the development of technical skills, leadership, and management in agrifood enterprises [10 mins]

• **Dr. Oliver Kirui,**

Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

11.25 - Presentation 2–Transforming the agrifood processing sector in Africa: The role of industrial clusters [10 mins]

• **Prof. Daniel Sakyi,**

Department of Economics, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST)

11.35 - Presentation 3–Innovation in African food processing enterprises: Patterns and drivers [10 mins]

• **Dr. Getaw Tadesse,**

Director, Department of Operational Support, AKADEMIYA2063

11.45 - Plenary Discussion [15 mins]

12.00 - Moderated Panel Discussion [40 mins]

• **Moderator: Mr. Francis Hale,**

Director, Department of Policy Advocacy & Communications, Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Policy Analysis Network (FANRPAN)

Panelists:

• **Dr. Heike Baumüller,**

Senior Researcher and PARI Coordinator, Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn

• **Mr. Sheriff Abdullateef,**

Finance Manager, AACE Food Processing and Distribution, Nigeria

• **Mr. Ken Lohento,**

Digital Agriculture Specialist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

• **Ms. Liliane Nsengiyumva,**

Director of Operations Nyamiyaga Akanoze Company Rwanda



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12.40 - Plenary Discussion [20 mins]

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13.00 - Lunch [1 hour]

Plenary Session IV – Policies and investments for successful agrifood processing sectors – Access to services and finance

Chairperson: Dr. Samuel Benin,

Acting Division Director, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

14.05 - Presentation 1–Agrifood processing in Africa: Status, challenges, and opportunities [10 mins]

• Prof. Margaret McMillan,

Professor of Economics, Tufts University

14.15 - Presentation 2–Agro-parks as drivers of the African food processing sector: Review of conditions for success [10 mins]

• Dr. John Ulimwengu,

Senior Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

14.25 - Presentation 3–Access to finance [10 mins]

• Mr. Toshiaki Ono,

Senior Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank

14.35 - Plenary Discussion [15 mins]

14.50 - Moderated Panel Discussion [40 mins]

• Moderator: Dr. Samuel Benin,

Acting Division Director, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

Panelists:

• Dr. Maximo Torero,

Chief Economist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

• Prof. Douglas Gollin,

Professor of Development Economics, Oxford University

• Mr. Kebba Colley,

Director, Inclusive Business Development, The Sustainable Trade Initiative (IDH), and Senior Advisor, AUDA-NEPAD, South Africa

• Mr. Olivier Uwishema,

Quality Assurance Manager SINA GERARD/Ese URWIBUTSO Rwanda

15.30 - Plenary Discussion [20 mins]

• Moderator: Dr. Samuel Benin,

Acting Division Director, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

15.50 - Concluding Remarks [10 mins]

• Dr. Tobias Takavarasha,

Board Chairman, Center for Agriculture and Food Policy, Zimbabwe

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Plenary Session V: Progress Toward Achieving the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) Goals

Chairperson: Dr. Hamady Diop,

Head of the Program, Natural Resource Governance, Food Security, and Nutrition, African Union Development Agency-NEPAD (AUDA-NEPAD)

09.00 - Day 2 Recap and Day 3 Objectives [10 mins]

• Ms Julie Collins,

Senior Associate Scientist, AKADEMIYA2063

09.10- Presentation 1–CAADP Trends and Implementation Processes [10 mins]

• Mr. Wondwosen Tefera,

Senior Associate Scientist, AKADEMIYA2063

09.20-Presentation 2–The CAADP Biennial Review: Challenges, Lessons, and Plans for the 4th Biennial Review [10 mins]

• Dr. Greenwell Matchaya,

Senior International Researcher in Economics, International Water Management Institute (IWMI), and Southern Africa ReSAKSS Coordinator

09.30-Presentation 3–Progress in NAIP implementation [10 mins]

• Dr. Simplice Noulala,

Head of Agriculture and Food, Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission (AUC)

09.40 - Plenary Discussion [15 mins]

09.55 - Moderated Panel Discussion [40 mins]

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Panelists:

• Mr. Clemence Taderera Bwenje,

Chief Director, Strategic Planning and Business Development, Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water, and Rural Development, Zimbabwe

• Dr. Samuel Benin,

Acting Division Director, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

• Ms. Fatmata Seiwah,

Monitoring and Evaluation Expert, Directorate of Agriculture and Rural Development, ECOWAS Commission

• Dr. Bethule Nyamambi,

Project Director, TrustAfrica, Senegal

10.35 - Plenary Discussion [20 mins]

• **Moderator: Dr. Hamady Diop,**

Head of the Program, Natural Resource Governance, Food Security, and Nutrition, (AUDA-NEPAD)

10.55 - Coffee Break [20 mins]

Plenary Session VI–Closing Ceremony

Moderator: Dr. Godfrey Bahigwa,

Director, Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, the Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission (AUC)

11.15 - Conference Conclusions and Way Forward [15 mins]

• Dr. Augustin Wambo Yamdjeu,

Director, Department of Knowledge Systems, AKADEMIYA2063

11.30 - Closing Remarks [40 mins]

• Dr. Ousmane Badiane,

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12.10 Group Photos
[15 mins]

12.25 Lunch

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