

# 2024 ReSAKSS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Advancing the Climate and Bioeconomy Agenda in Africa for Resilient and Sustainable Agrifood Systems

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## SIDE EVENT I

**CAADP BIENNIAL REVIEW DECISION SUPPORT TOOL (DST)**  
Conceptual Framework, Data Sources and Application

CONCEPT NOTE

Organized by: **AKADEMIYA2063**

Duration: **9:00-10:30 GMT+1**

Venue: **Policy Center for the New South – Masterclass 2 (F1-04)**

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## ABSTRACT AND OBJECTIVES

The African Union Commission (AUC) formally launched the 4<sup>th</sup> Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) Biennial Review (BR) report in 2023 to assess progress and identify necessary actions to build resilient food systems across the African continent. Results from the 4<sup>th</sup> BR highlight that Africa is still not on track to meet the 2014 Malabo Declaration goals by 2025, with only a few countries demonstrating substantial progress. The 4<sup>th</sup> BR continues to emphasize the need for African Union (AU) member states to intensify investments, policies, and programs, including the development and implementation of Malabo-compliant National Agriculture Investment Plans (NAIPs), to put countries on the path to achieving these goals. The report also reinforces the importance of robust data systems that ensure timely, high-quality data for accurate progress monitoring and the identification of critical actions to propel agricultural transformation. Currently, there is no analysis or information on what actions to take to achieve a desired outcome and how taking those actions may affect other actions or outcomes.

As we transition into the 5<sup>th</sup> BR process, the focus shifts towards utilizing BR outcomes to inform policy and decision-making aimed at agricultural growth, poverty alleviation, food security, and enhanced resilience. However, there remains a gap in the analysis of how specific actions influence desired outcomes and how interrelated actions interact.

The CAADP Biennial Review has historically served as a tool to review past performance. However, to enhance its utility as a forward-looking mechanism, AKADEMIYA2063 has developed the CAADP BR Decision-Support Tool (DST). This innovative web-based tool leverages BR data to analyze the relationships between CAADP policies and outcomes, providing a framework to guide future planning and decision-making toward achieving agrifood system transformation.

AKADEMIYA2063 is pleased to host this side event during the 2024 ReSAKSS Conference, convening diverse stakeholders interested in CAADP BR to explore the policy and programmatic shifts required to meet the Malabo Declaration targets by 2025 and strengthen African food systems. The event will feature an introduction to the DST methodology, a live demonstration, and discussions on the next steps.

### Objectives:

1. Learn about the CAADP BR Decision-Support Tool (DST) through a live demonstration, including its structure, use of BR data, and application by decision-makers to evaluate policy options for optimizing agrifood system outcomes at the country level.
2. Gather feedback from participants to refine the DST for more effective deployment and scaling across multiple countries.
3. Explore additional forward-looking planning tools for guiding decision-making in agrifood systems.

### Expected Outcomes:

1. Stakeholders will gain a clear understanding of the CAADP BR DST tool and its application in day-to-day agrifood system planning and implementation.
2. Stakeholder feedback will inform the refinement and scaling up of the DST across countries, enhancing its effectiveness.
3. Participants will learn about other innovative tools for forward-looking planning in agrifood systems, supporting better decision-making.

# AGENDA

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**Moderator: Ms. Tsitsi Makombe**, Director, External Relations, AKADEMIYA2063

**Opening Remarks** [5 min.]

**Prof. Christian Henning**, Chief Scientist, AKADEMIYA2063

**Presentations** [20 min.]

- » **Dr. Mahamadou Tankari**, Deputy Director, Capacity and Deployment, AKADEMIYA2063  
*“CAADP BR DST, Conceptual frameworks and data sources”*
- » **Mr. Babacar Ceesay**, Senior Manager, Information Systems, Data Management, Digital Products and Technology, AKADEMIYA2063  
*“CAADP BR DST, Application”*

**Panel Discussion** [35 min.]

- » **Ms. Panduleni Elago**, CAADP Senior Advisor, African Union Commission, Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment (AUC-DARBE)
- » **Ms. Providence Mavubi**, Director, Industry and Agriculture, Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) *invited*
- » **Mr. Mphatso Chiwewe**, Chief Economist, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development, Malawi
- » **Dr. Greenwell Matchaya**, ReSAKSS-Eastern and Southern Africa Coordinator; Deputy Country Representative – South Africa, International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

**Open Discussion** [20 min.]

**Key Takeaways & Closing Remarks** [5 min.]

- » **Dr. Mahamadou Tankari**, Deputy Director, Capacity and Deployment, AKADEMIYA2063



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