

Final Programme



Kigali, Rwanda, 13-16 June 2016

The programme at a glance

Date	Session I	Session II	Session III	Session IV
12 th June 2016	Side events	Side events	Side events	Side events
13 th June 2016	Plenary Registration Official Opening <i>Opening Statements</i> <i>Keynote address</i> <i>Official opening</i>	Plenary Science Agenda for Agriculture in Africa Kigali Roundtable (By invitation only) High-level panel discussion	Side events	Side events Cocktail
14 th June 2016	Plenary Integration & alignment Africa Riceing	Parallel session 1. Sustainable Financing 2. Human capital dev. 3. Sustainable productivity growth 4. Value chains, agribusiness and the youth 5. Data and Knowledge	Side events	Side events
15 th June 2016	Rwanda day	Rwanda day	Rwanda day	Dinner
16 th June 2016	Plenary Reflections on outcomes of the 7 th AASW	FARA General Assembly	FARA General Assembly Closing	

7th Africa Agriculture Science Week and FARA General Assembly

13-16 June 2016,

Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village, Kigali, RWANDA

Side events: Sunday, 12th June 2016

Time	Convenor	Title of side event	Room
0900 – 1700	FARA, ASARECA, CCARDESA and CORAF/WE CARD	Action planning for demand-led capacity development for country implementation of the CAADP and Science Agenda for Agriculture in Africa – Part 1	MrBbo 203
	FARA / PAEPARD	Preparatory meeting	MrBbo 003
	FARA/CTA/YPARD	Media Training	Media Hall

Day 1: Monday, 13th June 2016: AKAGERA HALL

Time	Activity	Topics and Speakers	Facilitator / Moderator
0800 – 0900	Registration	Registration opens on 12 th June 2016 and continues	FARA/RAB
0900 – 1030	Official Opening	<p>Welcome Statements</p> <p>Hon Tony Nsanganira, Minister of State for Agriculture and Animal Resources (Rwanda)</p> <p>Dr. Charity Kruger, FARA Chairperson</p> <p>HE. Michael Ryan, European Commission</p> <p>H.E. Dr. Martial De-Paul Ikounga, Commissioner for Human Resources, Science and Technology, AUC</p> <p>Keynote Address:</p> <p>Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank</p> <p>Statement of host minister and invitation of the Chief Guest</p> <p>Hon Dr. Gerardine Mukeshimana, Minister for Agriculture and Animal Resources (Rwanda)</p> <p>Official Opening</p> <p>H.E. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda (TBC)</p> <p>Presentation of FARA Honours medal and Presidential Award</p> <p>Opening of the Exhibition by HE Paul Kagame</p>	Moderator: Jeff Koinange

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1030 -- 1100	Press Conference, Photos, Tea Break		
1100 – 1215	Plenary Session	<p>Plenary Panel Discussion</p> <p>Implementation of the Science Agenda for Agriculture in Africa in context of CAADP and Malabo Declaration on Accelerated African Agricultural Growth and Transformation</p> <p>Lead presentation:</p> <p>Dr. Irene Annor-Frempong, Director for Research and Innovation, FARA</p> <p>Discussants:</p> <p>Mr. Martin Bwalya, Head of Programme Development, NEPAD Agency Prof. Adipala Ekwamu, Executive Secretary, RUFORUM Mr. Philip Kiriro, PAFO Dr. Willem Janssen, World Bank</p>	<p>Moderator:</p> <p>Prof. Mandivamba Rukuni</p>
1215 – 1345	Plenary Session	<p>Sustainable Financing of Science, Technology and Innovation to realise the goals of CAADP, STISA and the African Development Bank's "Feeding Africa" Initiative.</p> <p>Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank H.E. Dr. Martial De-Paul Ikounga, Commissioner for Human Resources, Science and Technology, AUC Hon. Given Lubinda, Minister of Agriculture and Livestock (Zambia) Dr. Michel Eddi, President of CIRAD-France HE. Michael Ryan, European Commission Dr. Willem Janssen, World Bank</p>	<p>Moderator:</p> <p>Jeff Koinange</p>
1345 -- 1445	Lunch Break		

Day 1: Monday, 13th June 2016**Time: 1445 – 1730 Activity: SIDE EVENTS**

Convener	Title of Side event	Room
1. African Agricultural Technology Foundation (AATF)	Taking a GM crop to market in sub-Saharan Africa: Special Focus on Policy and Regulatory environment	MrBbo 002
2. CTA / BecA-ILRI/FARA/ PACA/ CAVM/CIP	Strengthening systems for optimizing agriculture and nutrition outcomes in Africa	Akagera 2 (main venue)
3. FARA / CIRAD / WUR	PROIntensAfrica: towards an Africa-Europe strategic partnership for sustainable intensification of the food systems in Africa	MRBbo 202
4. FARA / Landell Mills	Making Chinese technology work for African Agriculture: Key insights and lesson learning from AgriTT	MrBbo 003
5. FARA / PAEPARD	Brokering African- European multi-stakeholder partnerships in agricultural Research for Development: A case study from PAEPARD CRF	Akagera 1
6. FARA / CDI	Action planning for demand-led capacity development for country implementation of the CAADP and Science Agenda for Agriculture in Africa	Media Hall
7. FARA/IITA/Humidtropics	Integration of systems research into the Science Agenda for Agriculture in Africa and CAADP country process: Practical implications	MrBbo 201
8. IITA/AfricaRice/ICARDA	SARD-SC: Contributing to Food and nutrition security in Africa	MrBbo 203
9. Integrated Breeding platform (IBP)	Accessing the digital revolution to support the modernization of plant breeding in Africa	Kigali
10. ICARDA	Enhancing small scale farmers' access to improved technologies for increased productivity, and income and food security"	MrBbo 001
11. Information training and outreach center for Africa	IAALD Africa Chapter Meeting	Urukari 5
12. CIAT	Focus on nutrition, markets & gender	Virunga
13. CIAT	Linking farmers to game-changing technologies and investing in soil carbon.	MrB 005

Day 1: Monday, 13th June 2016**Time: 1800 – 2000 Activity: COCKTAIL**

Day 2: Tuesday, 14 June 2016: AKAGERA HALL

Time	Activity	Topics and Speakers				
0830 - 0920	Plenary session	<p>Integration and alignment to national, regional and global agendas</p> <p>CGIAR site-Integration Dr. Kwesi Atta-Krah, Director Humidtropics, IITA</p> <p>The "One World - No Hunger" initiative: The contribution of German development policy to a world of food and nutrition security. Dr. Stefan Schmitz, Deputy Director General and Coordinator "One World No Hunger" Initiative, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (Germany)</p>			<p>Moderator: Dr. Ola Smith</p>	
0920 – 1100		<p>Africa Riceing Mobilising and applying science plus the complementary resources to achieve self-sufficiency in rice production</p> <p>Lead Presentation: Dr. Harold Roy-Macauley, Director General, AfricaRice</p> <p>Discussants Dr. Florence Wambugu, CEO Africa Harvest Dr. Henock Kifle, Assoc Vice President, IFAD (Rome) Dr. Takanori Satoyama, General Coordinator, CARD Secretariat</p>			<p>Moderator: Mr. Busani Bafana</p>	
1100 – 1130	Tea / Coffee Break					
1130 – 1330	PARALLEL SESSIONS (pages 9-13) follow the links					
	<p>Akagera Hall</p> <p>Sustainable productivity and intensification (IITA, Bioversity International, FARA, CIRAD, WUR)</p>	<p>Media Hall</p> <p>Value chains, agribusiness and the Youth (CIAT, IITA and AAIN)</p>	<p>MrBb 201</p> <p>Data, Information and Knowledge systems (CTA, IFPRI GODAN, FARA)</p>	<p>MrBb 203</p> <p>Sustainable financing of STI for African Agriculture (AfDB and AGRA)</p>	<p>Kigali</p> <p>Human Capital Development (Ruforum, AUC-HRST)</p>	
1330 -- 1430	Lunch Break					

Day 2: Tuesday 14th June 2016

Time: 1430 – 1730 Activity: SIDE EVENTS

Organiser	Title of Side event	Room
1. CABI	"Invasive Species threat to livelihoods; stemming a Catastrophe"	MrBbo 002
2. CGIAR Research Program on Water, Land and Ecosystems	Managing water and land resources, the essential pathway to unlocking Africa's agricultural potential.	MrBbo 202
3. CIAT	Climate services for agricultural-meteorological data to extension providers and farmers	MrBbo 201
4. CIMMYT	Narrowing the Wheat Gap in sub-Saharan Africa: Strategy Review Workshop	MrB 005
5. CTA / BecA-ILRI/FARA/ PACA/ CAVM/CIP	Working group (core expert. Group)	Akagera Annex
6. Embrapa	Africa-Brazil Market Place	Akagera 2
7. FARA /ISP	Mainstreaming IAR4D and IP as a Lever for the Transformation of Smallholder farmers to business Farmers in Africa: Institutional and Financial Strategy.	Media Hall
8. FARA / CDI	Foresight in African Agriculture	MrBbo 003
9. FARA / PAEPARD	Brokering African-European multi-stakeholder partnerships in agricultural Research for Development: A case study from PAEPARD CRF	Akagera
10. FARA / ZEF/ 12 PARI countries	Scaling up Technological Innovation in Africa: The state of Affairs	MrBbo 001
11. ILRI	How research is contributing to Livestock Development Strategy for Africa	MrBbo 203
12. FARA / CDI	Collaborative service and research agreements to facilitate implementation of the Science Agenda for Agriculture in Africa	Kigali
13. FARA	Mainstreaming the science Agenda in Country level development of the Agriculture and Food industry	Virunga

Day 3: Wednesday, 15th June 2016

Time	Activity	Description		
0730 – 1700	Rwanda day	Field visits to various sites: (detailed programme provided separately)		
	Side events	Convenor	Title	Room
		African Agribusiness Incubation Network (AAIN)	Youth engagement in Agribusiness, Trade and Investment in Africa	Media Hall
IITA and Bioversity International (CIALCA)	Celebrating 10 years of CIALCA: Positive news from the Great Lakes Region	Virunga		
1800 – 2000	Gala Dinner at the Kigali Serena Hotel [Sponsored by Government of Rwanda]			

Day 4: Thursday, 16th June 2016: AKAGERA HALL

Time	Activity	Topics and Speakers	Moderator
0830 – 1030	Plenary session	<p>Report back on outcomes of plenary and parallel sessions</p> <p>Theme 1: Sustainable productivity growth and intensification; Dr. Kwesi Atta-Krah (Director Humidtropics CRP, IITA)</p> <p>Theme 2: Value chains, agribusiness and the Youth, Dr. Robin Buruchara (Africa Director, CIAT),</p> <p>Theme 3: Data, Information and Knowledge Systems for African agriculture; (Ms. Judith Francis, CTA)</p> <p>Theme 4: Sustainable financing of STI for African Agriculture; Dr. Chiji Ojukwu (Director, Agriculture and Agroindustry, AfDB)</p> <p>Theme 5: Human Capital Development, Dr. Moses Osiru (Deputy Executive Secretary, RUFORUM)</p> <p>Plenary Panel discussion</p> <p>Reflections on necessary actions for improving and sustaining the application of science to improve African livelihoods</p> <p>Dr. Abebe Haile-Gabriel, Deputy Regional Representative for Africa, FAO</p> <p>Ms. Ténemba Anna Samaké, CEO NBC-Africa</p> <p>Hon. Tony Nsanganira, Minister of State for Agriculture and Animal Resources (Rwanda)</p> <p>Dr. Harry Palmier, Global Forum on Agricultural Research (GFAR)</p>	Dr. Ola Smith
1030 -- 1100	Partnership Formalisation	<p>Launch of MBOs;</p> <p>Signing of MOU (FARA-CIRAD)</p>	
1100 – 1130	Tea / Coffee Break		

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1130 -- 1300	FARA General Assembly	<p>Report on implementation of recommendations from the 6th Africa Agriculture Science Week (from Accra to Kigali)</p> <p>Dr. Yemi Akinbamijo, Executive Director, FARA</p> <p>Call to action</p> <p>Scaling up investments and the application of science, technology and innovation for agriculture in Africa to double agriculture productivity by 2025.</p> <p>Hon Dr. Gerardine Mukeshimana, Minister of Agriculture and animal Resources (Rwanda)</p>	
1300 -- 1400	Lunch Break		
1400 -- 1630	FARA General Assembly	<p>Ratification of amendments to the Governance Manual of FARA</p> <p>Election of FARA Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and re-election of Directors of the FARA Board for the period June 2016 to June 2019</p> <p>Valedictory speech by Dr. Charity Kruger, the outgoing FARA Chairperson</p> <p>Inaugural speech by the new FARA Chairperson</p> <p>Solidarity statements</p> <p>Prof. Mohammed Ajlouni Executive Secretary, AARINENA</p> <p>Dr. Michel Eddi, CIRAD</p> <p>Mr. Malu Ndavi, IFAD</p> <p>Venue of the 8th African Agriculture Science Week</p> <p>Closing and vote of thanks</p> <p>Hon Dr. Gerardine Mukeshimana, Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources (Rwanda)</p> <p>Dr. Yemi Akinbamijo, Executive Director, FARA</p>	

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Tuesday June 14 2016: Time: 11:30-13:30

Theme 1: Sustainable Productivity Growth

Room: Akagera

Convenors: IITA, Bioversity International, FARA, CIRAD, Wageningen UR

Introduction

Sustainable productivity growth requires (1) productivity innovation (e.g. improved varieties, fertilizer, new crop management practices), (2) Natural Resource Management (NRM) innovation (e.g. reforestation and erosion control), and (3) institutional or socio-organisational innovation (e.g. social infrastructure, policy, partnerships, access to finance, services, inputs and markets). These different types of innovations need to emerge in an integrated way, making smart use of available agro-ecological, human and financial resources across different systems levels.

Objective

To increase understanding of the complex interrelations between problem dimensions of productivity growth across various scales as means to developing and recommending interventions for increasing production and income by different stakeholder, gender and age groups.

Programme

Keynote presentation:

Dr Piet van Asten (IITA)

Question and Answer

Presentations

1. Innovations to improve 'whole farm' productivity growth in smallholder systems - **Dr. Frederic Baudron (CIMMYT)**
2. Trade-off and synergy analysis of sustainable productivity growth for different types of farmer, gender and age groups - **Dr. Roseline Remans (Bioversity International)**
3. Enabling institutional innovations for sustainable intensification of agricultural systems (policy, development or business models) - **Prof Cees Leeuwis (WUR)**
4. Successful scaling of sustainable productivity growth innovations (integrated socio- technical systems) - **Dr Paul Dontsop (IITA)**

Elevator pitch on FARA/ CIRAD/ WUR PROIntensAfrica –

Dr Philippe Petithuguenin (CIRAD)

Discussion

Wrap up

Theme 2: Value Chains, Agribusiness and the Youth

Room: Media Hall

Convenors: CIAT, AAIN, IITA

Introduction

A major pillar for addressing the underperformance of African agriculture is through the transformation of value chains to make them profitable, commercially viable, competitive and sustainable. This entails innovations that mobilise knowledge, investments and social capital in synergistic fashion.

Objectives

The session will facilitate better understanding of how value chains of agricultural products can be upgraded; how processing can enhance value chains; major constraints in agribusinesses; challenges facing youth involvement in agribusinesses throughout the value chain and lessons from current youth innovations and models to support them; sharing of best practices and proven business models along the value chain; identifying opportunities to create synergies and partnerships to enhance performance of value chains.

Programme

Opening remarks:

Dr. Louis Butare, Director General, Rwanda Agricultural Board (RAB)

Lead Presentations:

1. A commodity corridor approach to value chain and market development - Eliud Birachi, CIAT
2. Role of agribusiness innovations in agriculture- Alex Ariho, AAIN
3. Youth and models to support youth agripreneurs - Beckie Nankabugo IITA

Question and Answer

Panel discussion

- Innovations to link farmers to markets, RAB
- Agribusiness for rural settings – AAIN
- Youth and farming enterprises (models)- IITA
- Experiences working with youth in rural areas- IDRC
- Women, youth, rural agribusiness and job creation in agriculture - University of Bern
- World Food Programme PPPs and what they offer to develop value chains, agribusinesses and youth - WFP

Discussion

Wrap up

Institute of Policy and Applied Research (IPAR) Rwanda

Theme 3: Data, Information and Knowledge Systems

Room: MrBb 201

Convenors: CTA, IFPRI, GODAN, FARA

Objectives

A platform to advance understanding on data and knowledge and its application in supporting the implementation of the Science Agenda for Agriculture (S3A) at country level. Specifically, the session will:

1. Provide an opportunity to develop a roadmap specifically on data, information, and knowledge systems needed for implementation of the S3A at the country level
2. Provide key recommendations on the needed indicators and targets to measure progress of S3A implementation and the wider CAADP Agenda over the next three years
3. Provide a dialogue platform where key stakeholders in Africa's agricultural research and development sector can articulate some of the challenges to Open Data and Open Science and propose possible strategies and synergies.

Programme

Introductory remarks:

Keynote presentation: The road to open science in African Agriculture,

Andre Laperriere, Executive Director, Global Open data for Agriculture and Nutrition (GODAN)

Other Presentations

1. Open Data and Open Science in Agriculture: Experiences from Ghana, Dr. Joel Sam, Director, CSIR-Institute for Scientific and Technological Information (INSTI)
2. Data initiatives to track public spending and related outcomes in African agriculture, Samuel Benin, Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI
3. Communicating with Data: Winnie Kamau, Freelancer and Media Relations Consultant, Founder and President of Association of Freelance Journalists in Kenya
4. Production of Farm Level Statistics in the COMESA Region: Emmanuel Mbewe, Head of Africa, 6th Grain Corporation and Sukati Mphumuzi, Agricultural Economist, COMESA Secretariat

Question and Answer Session and Plenary discussion

Moderated by Isaura Lopes Ramos, CTA

Wrap up

Theme 4: Sustainable financing of Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) for African Agriculture

Room: MrBb 203

Convenors: African Development Bank (AfDB) and Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA)

Introduction

Underinvestment has been cited among the major reasons behind the low application of STI in African countries. The countries with the worst economic performance indicators are also the ones that invest the least in STI. Though the investments in STI for African agriculture have largely been short of the required scale, they have made important contributions. However, a major shortcoming of current arrangements for STI investment concerns their sustainability. Hence sustainability is a crucially important feature of the continent's agenda for improving the financing of agricultural STI.

Objectives

The main objectives of this session are: (i) to advance understanding on the issue of sustainable financing of STI for African Agriculture and in particular, the current situation, the trend and the future outlook; and (ii) to come up with a Call for Action related to "Sustainable financing of STI for African Agriculture".

Programme

Key presentations:

1. Financing of Agricultural research, Science, Technology and Innovation from the point of view of African Development Bank (AfDB) Dr. Chiji Ojukwu, Director Agriculture and Agro-Industry, AfDB
2. Financing of Agriculture and STI from the point of view of the Alliance for a Green Revolution in African (AGRA), Dr. John Wakiumu (AGRA)

Facilitated plenary discussion on key elements of a call to action towards sustainable financing of STI for agriculture

Wrap up.

Theme 5: Human Capital Development

Room: Kigali

Convenors: RUFORUM, AUC-Department of Human Resources, Science and Technology (HRST)

Introduction

The STISA-2024 is a 10-year strategy approved by African Heads of States in 2014 to enhance the use of STI to underpin social and economic development in Africa. Priority One of STISA-2024 is concerned with the eradication of hunger and achieving food security. Implementation of STISA-2014 entails the development of human capital required to drive wide scale generation and application of STI.

Objectives

To advance development of human capital and related resources for driving the implementation of the Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy for Africa (STISA) and subsequently the African Union Agenda 2063 in Africa. The specific objectives are to:

1. Create a wider awareness of the STISA framework and selected implementation mechanisms
2. Present an update on the current implementation of the Implementation Plan for STISA 2024 Priority One;
3. Provide information on the African Union Research Grant Program and opportunities for stakeholders to undertake research in the context of the new Call for Proposals.

Programme

Welcome Remarks by Prof. Adipala Ekwamu, Executive Secretary (ES), RUFORUM

Opening Speech by Hon. Dr. Musafiri Malimba Papias, Minister of Education (Rwanda),

Key Presentations

- Overview of STISA 2024, Prof. Diran Makinde, NEPAD PCA
- Progress in implementation of STISA Priority One, Dr. Moses Osiru, Deputy ES, RUFORUM

Panel: Perspectives from the demand side on Capacity needs and links to STISA 2024

- Statements from SRO and AFAAS on capacity needs; PAFO and AAIN

Statements from Capacity Building Initiatives

- The African Centres of Excellence Program
- Pan African University
- University of Rwanda
- Regional MSc/ PhD Programs
- ANAFE
- Vocational Training
- CGIAR Independent Evaluation Panel

Discussion

Presentation on African Union Research Grants Program (AURG), Dr. Monica Idinoba (AUC)

Discussion on the AURG Program