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*FISH-FRIENDLY: Policy Innovations for
Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture in Africa*

AGENDA



 **January 30, 2025**

9:00 – 12:30 (GMT)

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AGENDA 9:00 – 12:30 (GMT)

Housekeeping: 9:00 – 9:05 (GMT)

Host 5 min

Dr. Debisi Araba

Visiting Researcher, Imperial College London; Malabo Montpellier Panel Member

PART 1: 9:05 – 10:00

Welcome Remarks by the Malabo Montpellier Panel Co-Chairs 10 min

Dr. Ousmane Badiane

Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063
Co-Chair, Malabo Montpellier Panel

Prof. Joachim von Braun

Distinguished Professor, The Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn
Co-Chair, Malabo Montpellier Panel

Opening Address 15 min

H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn

Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia; Malabo Montpellier Forum Co-Chair

H.E. Amb. Josefa Sacko

Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission (AUC-DARBE)

Guest of Honor 10 min

Right Honourable Dr. Michael Usi

Vice President and Minister of Natural Resources and Climate Change – The Republic of Malawi

Launch of the Malabo Montpellier Panel's Report 20 min

Dr. Aisha Musaaazi S. Nakitto

Scientist and Malabo Montpellier Panel Interim Program Lead, AKADEMIYA2063

Dr. Heike Baumüller

Senior Researcher, The Center for Development Research, University of Bonn

PART 2: 10:00 – 10:55

Reflections on the Outcomes of the Report by the Forum Co-Chair 10 min

H.E. Dr. Assia Ben Salah Alaoui

Ambassador at Large to the King of Morocco; Co-Chair, Malabo Montpellier Forum

Thematic Fireside Chats 45 min

Chair: Ms. Nachilala Nkombo

Malabo Montpellier Panel Member

a) Research and Development

- **Dr. Winnie Nkalubo**, Director, National Fisheries Resources Research Institute, Uganda

b) Sustainable Practices

- **Dr. Edward Rukuunya**, Director, Fisheries Management and Development, Lake Victoria Fisheries Organization, East Africa Community

c) Opportunities in the Value Chain

- **Mr. Gaoussou Gueye**, President, African Confederation of Artisanal Fishing Organizations (CAOPA)

d) Policy Environment

- **Mr. Abdelouahed Benabbou**, Executive Secretary, ATLAFCO – The Ministerial Conference on Fisheries Cooperation among African States bordering the Atlantic Ocean
- **Dr. Huyam Ahmed Mohammed Elamin Salih**, Director, African Union – InterAfrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR)

PART 3: 10:55 – 12:20

Moderated Roundtable with Senior Country Representatives

1:10 hrs

Chair: H.E. Prof. Muhammadou Kah

Permanent Representative of The Gambia to the United Nations Office in Geneva,
Malabo Montpellier Panel Member

The Republic of Ghana

Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture Development

The Republic of Kenya

Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs

The Republic of Malawi

Ministry of Natural Resources and Climate Change

The Kingdom of Morocco

Ministry of Agriculture, Maritime Fisheries, Rural
Development, Water and Forests

The Republic of Mozambique

Ministry of the Sea, Inland Waters and Fisheries

The Republic of Rwanda

Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources

The Republic of Senegal

Ministry of Fisheries and Maritime Economy

The Republic of Uganda

Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries

The Republic of Zimbabwe

Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water, and
Rural Development

Invited Reactions

15 min

Dr. Beth Dunford, Vice President for Agriculture, Human and Social Development,
African Development Bank (AfDB)

Mr. Hendrik Denker, Deputy Head of Division, Food and Nutrition Security, Global Food Policy,
Fisheries, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

USAID Representative

CLOSING SESSION: 12:20 – 12:30

Closing Remarks – Malabo Montpellier Forum Co-Chairs

10 min

H.E. Dr. Assia Ben Salah Alaoui

H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn

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