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Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System
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ReSAKSS WEBINAR
INSIGHTS FROM THE 2024 ANNUAL TRENDS & OUTLOOK REPORT

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

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13:00–14:40 GMT

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INTRODUCTION

Established in 2006 under the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP), the Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System (ReSAKSS) supports efforts to promote evidence- and outcome-based policy planning and implementation. In particular, ReSAKSS provides data and related analytical and knowledge products to facilitate CAADP benchmarking, review, and mutual accountability processes. AKADEMIYA2063 leads the work of ReSAKSS in partnership with the African Union Commission (AUC), the African Union Development Agency-NEPAD (AUDA-NEPAD), and leading regional economic communities (RECs). The mission of AKADEMIYA2063 is to provide data, policy analysis, and capacity-strengthening support to enable African Union (AU) Member States to achieve economic transformation and shared prosperity in support of the AU's Agenda 2063.

As the main platform for monitoring CAADP implementation, ReSAKSS tracks the progress of core CAADP indicators through an interactive website and a flagship Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR), the official CAADP monitoring and evaluation (M&E) report. In addition to tracking progress on CAADP core indicators, each year, the ATOR presents analysis on a feature topic of strategic importance to the CAADP agenda.

ABOUT THE WEBINAR

AKADEMIYA2063 is convening a ReSAKSS Webinar to discuss the findings of the 16th Edition of the ATOR, themed "*Advancing the Climate and Bioeconomy Agenda in Africa for Resilient and Sustainable Agrifood Systems.*" Organized on the heels of the 2024 ReSAKSS Annual Conference, where state and non-state actors came together in Rabat to unveil the report, the online session will provide a platform for stakeholders to examine the evidence and policy recommendations from the publication.

With the climate crisis emerging as the biggest threat to Africa's agricultural trade development and the agricultural sector as a whole, the 2024 ATOR urges African leaders, policymakers, and global partners to unite in leveraging Africa's vast renewable biological resources to drive innovation, upscaling investments in new technologies, and upskilling to drive a bioeconomy transition while adapting to climate change.

Against the backdrop of the Malabo Declaration and in preparation for the imminent Post-Malabo Agenda, the research addresses the pressing question of how Africa's agrifood systems actors can be better equipped to tackle the impacts of climate change while simultaneously reshaping and transforming economies to align with sustainability standards and nature-based solutions.

OBJECTIVES

The ReSAKSS Webinar will bring together researchers and a broad group of stakeholders to review and debate the findings of the latest ReSAKSS ATOR. The online session will provide an opportunity to deliberate on the key findings and policy recommendations of the report, which is a major contribution to evidence in the implementation of continent-wide climate action.

As such, the ReSAKSS webinar session sets out to achieve the following objectives:

1. Discuss the research evidence and recommendations presented in the 2024 ATOR on trends in adaptation and mitigation options in African agriculture;
2. Analyze the intersections between Africa's climate change and bioeconomy agendas;
3. Examine the impact of climate change on African agriculture;
4. Review evidence toward a just energy transition and low-carbon pathways in Africa;
5. Discuss the alignment of climate action with the Post-Malabo Agenda for Action on CAADP.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Time (GMT)	Agenda	Speakers
Master of Ceremony: Dr. Layih Butake, Director, Communication and Outreach, AKADEMIYA2063		
13:00 – 13:05	**Opening Remarks** [5 min.]	• **Prof. Christian Henning,** Chief Scientist, AKADEMIYA2063
PRESENTATION OF FINDINGS		
13:05 – 13:15	**Overiew of the 2024 ATOR** [10 min.]	• **Dr. Getaw Tadesse,** Director, Operational Support, AKADEMIYA2063
13:15 – 13:25	**The Impact of Climate Change on Agriculture** [10 min.] *Video	• **Dr. Timothy S. Thomas,** Senior Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
13:25 – 13:35	**Just Energy Transition: Low-Carbon Pathways and Challenges for Africa** [10 min.]	• **Dr. Smail Khennas,** Expert on Energy Systems and Climate Change
MODERATED PANEL DISCUSSION		
13:35 – 14:15	**Panel Discussion** [40 mins]	**Moderator:** • **Dr. Debisi Araba,** Visiting Researcher, Imperial College London; Member, Malabo Montpellier Panel **Panelists:** • **Dr. Youba Sokona,** Former Vice-Chair, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) • **Prof. Delia Grace Randolph,** Professor, Food Safety Systems - Natural Resources Institute, University of Greenwich • **Dr. Aisha Musaazi S. Nakitto,** Scientist and Interim Program Lead, Malabo Montpellier Panel, AKADEMIYA2063 • **Dr. Suresh Babu,** Senior Research Fellow; Head of Capacity Strengthening, IFPRI • **Dr. Beatrice Wambui Muriithi,** Research Scientist, International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE)
14:15 – 14:30	**Audience Q&A** [15 mins]	**Moderator:** • **Dr. Debisi Araba,** Visiting Researcher, Imperial College London; Member, Malabo Montpellier Panel
14:30 – 14:40	**Key Takeaways** [10 mins]	• **Dr. Augustin Wambo Yamdjeu,** Director, Knowledge Systems, AKADEMIYA2063

ABOUT AKADEMIYA2063

AKADEMIYA2063 is a pan-African non-profit research organization with headquarters in Kigali, Rwanda, and a regional office in Dakar, Senegal. Inspired by the ambitions of the African Union's Agenda 2063 and grounded in the recognition of the central importance of strong knowledge and evidence-based systems, the vision of AKADEMIYA2063 is an Africa with the expertise we need for the Africa we want. This expertise must be responsive to the continent's needs for data and analysis to ensure high-quality policy design and execution. Inclusive, evidence-informed policymaking is key to meeting the continent's development aspirations, creating wealth, and improving livelihoods.

AKADEMIYA2063's overall mission is to create, across Africa and led from its headquarters in Rwanda, state-of-the-art technical capacities to support the efforts by the Member States of the African Union to achieve the key goals of Agenda 2063 of transforming national economies to boost economic growth and prosperity.

Following from its vision and mission, the main goal of AKADEMIYA2063 is to help meet Africa's needs at the continental, regional and national levels in terms of data, analytics, and mutual learning for the effective implementation of Agenda 2063 and the realization of its outcomes by a critical mass of countries. AKADEMIYA2063 strives to meet its goals through programs organized under five strategic areas—policy innovation, knowledge systems, capacity creation and deployment, operational support, and data management, digital products, and technology—as well as innovative partnerships and outreach activities. Visit www.akademiya2063.org.