

Performance among African Countries since 2000

Facilitating Policy Dialogue to Support the Kampala CAADP Agenda

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CONCEPT NOTE

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Background

Since its adoption by the African Union (AU) in 2003, the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) has been Africa's primary policy framework for agricultural transformation, wealth creation, food security, economic growth, and prosperity. It guides the African Union Commission (AUC), the African Union Development Agency-New Partnership for Africa's Development (AUDA-NEPAD), Regional Economic Communities (RECs), and Member States in driving agricultural transformation toward a self-reliant and productive Africa.

The recently adopted Kampala CAADP Strategy and Action Plan (2026-2035) will build on the successes and deepen the progress achieved after two decades of CAADP implementation, during which Africa significantly improved in economic and agricultural growth, poverty reduction, nutrition outcomes, and agricultural trade expansion. The next 10-year cycle of CAADP implementation must further deepen its focus to incorporate lessons while responding to emerging issues to accelerate sustainable food systems transformation in Africa within a context of climate change and multifaceted stressors and shocks.

The longevity and continued success of CAADP can be attributed to its credibility as a shared framework designed to guide Member States toward agricultural transformation and economic growth. Driven by the CAADP principles and values, with emphasis on African ownership and mutual accountability, alongside review and benchmarking, data and analytics have been central to CAADP's evidence-based planning and implementation approach. As Africa prepares for the implementation phase of the Kampala Declaration, which comes into force on January 1, 2026, evidence and robust data analysis will continue to remain indispensable to the successful implementation on the ground. This is the rationale behind AKADEMIYA2063's **Kampala CAADP Series.**

The purpose of AKADEMIYA2063's Kampala CAADP Series is to provide a policy deployment package to support the domestication and implementation of the Kampala CAADP Declaration. With workstreams covering diagnostics, policy briefs, power briefs, as well as webinars, the series aims to serve as a reference toolbox for policy analysts and planners across the AU Member States as they prepare their programs in response to the Kampala Declaration.

AKADEMIYA2063's offering will center on evidence-based research, with lessons and insights packaged into comprehensive yet accessible knowledge products, policy program diagnostics, and policy dialogue sessions with a broad range of stakeholders to guide programmatic interventions supporting the implementation of the Kampala Declaration.

Objectives

After two decades of CAADP implementation, it is critical to take stock of where we are as a continent to ensure that stakeholders have sound evidence of the successes and shortcomings of the last 20 years. Taking good inventory of Africa's journey from Maputo to Kampala will provide crucial insights indispensable to charting the continent's course of action for the next decade.

Session I of the **Kampala CAADP Series** webinar will discuss the findings and policy insights from Brief #1. Themed "**The CAADP Years: Agricultural and Economic Performance among African Countries since 2000,**" the policy brief reviews key data trends garnered over the last two decades to capture Africa's performance in various critical areas of the continent's agricultural sector. The publication revisits relevant evidence to highlight progress in CAADP implementation, discussing impacts on agricultural and economic growth, trade performance, nutrition, and public investment.

The session will convene a broad range of stakeholders, including policymakers, non-state actors, and other practitioners at continental, regional, and national levels, as well as development partners, to:

- **1. Review and Track Achievements under CAADP:** Provide insights on the CAADP historical context and highlight the successes and progress made by the continent across key sectors.
- **2. Highlight the Shortcomings:** Discuss challenges encountered during CAADP implementation and areas for enhancement of the continent's performance.
- 3. Draw Lessons for the Kampala Agenda: Capitalize on evidence from data trends to review key lessons from CAADP implementation, best practices, and opportunities for sustainable interventions.
- **4. Promote Stakeholder Dialogue to Advance Policy Action:** Provide a platform for African governments, non-state actors, practitioners, and development partners to exchange on the strategic framework to facilitate implementation and domestication toward sustainable policy outcomes.

Provisional Agenda (GMT)

Chair and Moderator: Prof. Sheryl Hendriks, Director, Natural Resources Institute, University of Greenwich; Member, Malabo Montpellier Panel

12:30 - 13:00: **Opening Remarks**

- Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063
- **Mr. Paul Garaycochea**, Director, Sustainable Transformation of Supply Chains, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
- Dr. Ibrahim Mayaki, Special Envoy for Food Systems, African Union

13:00 – 13:15: **Presentation:** The CAADP Years: Agricultural and Economic Performance among African Countries since 2000

Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063

13:15 – 14:00: Moderated Panel Discussion

- Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development, AUC-DARBE
- Dr. Agnes Kalibata, Former President, AGRA; Member, Malabo Montpellier Panel
- Prof. Anna Lartey, Professor, University of Ghana; Member, AKADEMIYA2063 Board of Trustees
- **Dr. Maximo Torero**, Chief Economist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

14:00 – 14:25: **General Discussion**

Chair and Moderator/All

14:25 – 14:35: Key Takeaways and Policy Recommendations

Dr. Augustin Wambo Yamdjeu, Director, Knowledge Systems, AKADEMIYA2063

14:35 - 14:45: Closing Remarks

• Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson, 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 Agenda 2063 and grounded in the recognition of the central importance of strong knowledge and evidence 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 highquality policy design and execution. Inclusive, evidence-informed policymaking is key to meeting the continent's development aspirations, creating wealth, and changing livelihoods for the better. 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 the African Union's Agenda 2063 of transforming national economies to boost 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, data management, digital products, and technology—as well as partnerships and outreach activities. For more information, visit www.akademiya2063.org.

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