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About AKADEMIYA2063

Established in 2020, AKADEMIYA2063 is an Africa-based 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 high-quality 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 and data management, digital products and technology—as well as partnerships and outreach activities. For more information, visit www.akademiya2063.org.
About ReSAKSS

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 (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, the 3 ATOR presents analysis on a feature topic of strategic importance to the CAADP agenda each year. For more information, visit www.resakss.org.
2020 ATOR
SUSTAINING AFRICA’S AGRIFOOD SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION
The Role of Public Policies

The 2020 ATOR focuses on the policies required to transform African agrifood systems to meet their potential. Chapters provide an in-depth review of the evolution of agricultural sector policies over the last five decades; a systematic analysis of traditional input constraints on agricultural productivity; a discussion of policies needed to bolster competitiveness along value chains; and of institutional and political economy factors that shape the broader enabling environment needed for agrifood system transformation.

2021 ATOR
BUILDING RESILIENT AFRICAN FOOD SYSTEMS
After COVID-19

The 2021 ATOR examines emerging data on the impacts of COVID-19 on African economies and food systems, reviews the responses of African countries to the pandemic, and advances the discussion on methodologies to measure the impacts of and resilience to shocks. The pandemic, a uniquely wide-ranging challenge that combined features of previous health, economic and food price shocks, reminds us of the breadth of risks and challenges that food systems must continue to withstand. The report argues for a broader conceptualization of resilience that encompasses climate risks and the wider range of shocks that threaten progress toward transformed food systems and economies.
2019 ATOR
GENDER EQUALITY IN RURAL AFRICA:
From Commitments To Outcomes

The 2019 ATOR applies a gender lens to several issues that must be addressed to fully achieve the goals outlined by the Malabo Declaration. It uses a gender, agriculture, and assets framework that examines intersections between gender and (1) the context and institutions within which rural people operate; (2) the natural resources that they depend on for agriculture, sources of vulnerability, and resilience to shocks; (3) assets; and (4) livelihood strategies.

2017-2018 ATOR
BOOSTING GROWTH TO END HUNGER BY 2025
The Role of Social Protection

The 2017-2018 ATOR takes an in-depth look at social protection in Africa by examining (1) Africa’s experience with implementing social protection programs; (2) knowledge gaps related to enhancing the role of social protection in consumption smoothing, inclusive agricultural growth and transformation, and building resilience of livelihoods; and (3) policy implications for designing and rolling out national safety-net programs in Africa.

2016 ATOR
A THRIVING AGRICULTURAL SECTOR IN A CHANGING CLIMATE
Meeting Malabo Declaration Goals through Climate-Smart Agriculture

In light of the growing intensity and frequency of climate change effects, the 2016 ATOR takes an in-depth look at the role of climate smart agriculture (CSA) in helping to meet Malabo Declaration goals and, in particular, the goal of enhancing the resilience of livelihoods and production systems to climate variability. Through a series of contributions in key areas spanning the regional to the household level, the report offers significant insights into the state of our knowledge and understanding of the role that CSA can play for agricultural development under changing climate regimes.
2015 ATOR
ACHIEVING A NUTRITION REVOLUTION FOR AFRICA:
The Road to Healthier Diets and Optimal Nutrition

The 2015 ATOR examines the challenges and opportunities of linking agriculture and food systems to nutrition. It contributes to a broader understanding of the role and importance of nutrition in achieving international, continental, and national economic growth targets through agriculture, food security, and nutrition. The report presents information and analysis in support of evidence-based policy making at the moment when the second-generation CAADP national investment plans are being developed.

2014 ATOR
BEYOND A MIDDLE INCOME AFRICA:
Transforming African Economies for Sustained Growth with Rising Employment and Incomes

The 2014 ATOR examines both current and future trends that are likely to shape the trajectory of African economies. It investigates the drivers behind the recent growth recovery, the nature and pattern of structural transformation among African economies, past strategies and future outlook for industrialization, the changes occurring in agri-food systems, and the role of major infrastructure sectors in the continent’s past and future growth.

2013 ATOR -
Promoting Agricultural Trade to Enhance Resilience in Africa

The 2013 ATOR assesses the structure and performance of trade by African countries in global and regional agricultural markets. It also evaluates the extent of integration of African countries in these markets, and the potential for greater integration. The implications for resilience of domestic food systems are then analyzed, including the potential impact of biophysical or weather shocks on the capacity to use trade as a stabilizing instrument.
The 2012 ATOR presents patterns and trends in public agricultural expenditure (PAE) in Africa and identifies the data needs for further PAE analysis. This analysis becomes especially important as countries gear up for the joint agriculture sector reviews of their national agricultural investment plans (NAIPs) and as they work to strengthen their mutual accountability in the sector.

Agricultural productivity is featured in the 2011 ATOR as the report presents its measures, trends, and spatial patterns. The assessment is timely in light of Africa's recent growth recovery, which still needs to be better documented and its underlying factors better understood. Identifying and highlighting options for accelerating and sustaining agricultural productivity growth in Africa, as the report does, is crucial at this juncture.

The 2010 ATOR provides an in-depth assessment of progress on CAADP implementation, meeting key targets, and the context in which the CAADP process is taking place. The report highlights renewed momentum in the CAADP country roundtable process that saw nine countries signing CAADP Compacts in 2010.
The 2008 ATOR reviews the growth, policy, and investment trends in African agriculture, along with possible driving forces, by drawing from various IFPRI studies. It also highlights some of the strategic policy options that could help accelerate the recent growth momentum in African agriculture and also ensure that growth will be shared more broadly.

The 2009 ATOR evaluates trends in agricultural development, performance, and spending in Africa, and tracks corresponding progress in key poverty and hunger indicators following the recent food price crisis. The report begins by reviewing recent trends in agricultural development over the past year, including progress with the CAADP process and challenges posed by volatile food prices.
CAADP BIENNIAL REVIEWS

ReSAKSS provides technical assistance to the CAADP Biennial Review (BR) process, which reviews country, regional, and continental progress toward meeting the 2014 Malabo Declaration commitments. ReSAKSS supported the inaugural Biennial Review (BR) in 2017 as well as subsequent reviews by contributing to the refinement of technical guidelines, tools, and indicators; training of national experts from across Africa; and the development of a user-friendly interface for data entry and automatic generation of performance scores. ReSAKSS also publishes country and regional CAADP BR Briefs that highlight BR results including progress, challenges, lessons, and required actions for ensuring the achievement of Malabo goals and commitments by 2025.
SUPPORT TO CAADP REPORTS

Since 2006, ReSAKSS, through the International Food Policy Research Institute, provided policy research and capacity-strengthening support to guide the planning and implementation of the CAADP. Endorsed in 2003 by African heads of states and governments, CAADP is a continent-wide framework for accelerating growth and progress toward poverty reduction and food and nutrition security through an agriculture-led growth strategy. Currently, expert support for CAADP is facilitated by AKADEMIYA2063 through three main program areas: ReSAKSS, the African Growth and Development Policy (AGRODEP) Modeling Consortium, and the Malabo Montpellier Panel (MaMo Panel).
About AGRODEP

African Growth and Development Policy Modeling Consortium (AGRODEP)

The African Growth and Development Policy (AGRODEP) Modeling Consortium is a network of Africa-based experts established in 2010 to take a leading role in addressing strategic development issues across the continent, notably the analytical needs of the CAADP implementation agenda. AGRODEP facilitates the use of economic modeling tools, promotes access to data sources, provides training and research grants, and supports collaboration between African and international researchers.

The AGRODEP Modeling Consortium scope of intervention is three-dimensional: (i) promote access to and use of state-of-the-art economic modeling tools to meet the demand for high-quality, locally based research; (ii) facilitate access to existing data sources for research and policy analysis, improve the quality of available datasets, and identify and bridge data gaps; and (iii) support collaboration among leading African scientists and their peers outside Africa and build a dynamic research community that can respond to the emerging and long-term needs of the CAADP growth and poverty reduction agenda.

With the increasing recognition of AGRODEP as a major network of African experts, several members are being mobilized to use their expertise in ReSAKSS-led activities as well as projects and proposals carried out in collaboration with international organizations and universities. For more information, visit www.agrodep.org.
The 2021 AATM looks in depth at the impact of COVID-19 on African agricultural trade and overall economic performance. The report finds that the measures undertaken by African governments to limit the spread of the disease may have contributed to Africa’s relatively low illness and mortality rates but had significant adverse impacts on African agricultural trade. Concerning policy responses, while international cooperation has been relatively better than during the 2007-2009 food-price crisis, trade disruptions during the pandemic underline the need to further coordinate policies across borders to ensure the continued functioning of markets.

The 2022 AATM builds on the 2019 edition and attempts to identify the recent developments in African intraregional and extraregional trade in agriculture. Given the importance of informal cross-border trade for the region, the 2020 AATM dedicates a chapter to analyzing this trade by examining its definitions, measurement, and effects. Finally, the Southern African region is featured at the regional level, with a special focus on the Southern African Development Community (SADC).
Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor 2019

The second annual Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor assesses emerging and long-term trends and drivers shaping Africa’s trade in agricultural products and evaluates the possible impacts of current trade tensions. The 2019 report focuses on intraregional trade and competitiveness, with chapters on measuring regional trade integration and competitiveness of agriculture, a feature chapter on the potential impact of global trade tensions, and an in-depth look at trade integration in the Eastern and Southern Africa region.

Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor 2018

This report has presented an examination of the recent trends, current status, and future outlook of African agricultural trade in global and regional markets. Boosting intra-African trade and deepening regional integration offer an effective vehicle to speed up Africa’s economic transformation. Increasing the volumes of intra-African trade in agricultural products and the elimination of non-tariff barriers have the potential to boost industrialization and enhance competitiveness, at country and industry levels, through higher investments in connectivity and infrastructure, both physical and digital.
About the Malabo Montpellier (MaMo) Panel

The Malabo Montpellier Panel convenes 16 leading experts in agriculture, engineering, ecology, nutrition, and food security. Its aim is to facilitate policy choices by African governments in order to accelerate progress toward food security and improved nutrition. The Panel identifies areas of progress and positive change across the continent and assesses what successful countries have done differently. It identifies the institutional and policy innovations and program interventions that can best be replicated and scaled by other countries. The related Malabo Montpellier Forum provides a platform to promote policy innovation; it uses the evidence produced by the Panel to facilitate dialogue among high-level decision-makers on African agriculture, nutrition, and food security.

The Malabo Montpellier Panel is jointly facilitated by AKADEMIYA2063, University of Bonn, and Imperial College London. For more information, visit www.mamopanel.org.
Recipes for Success: Policy Innovations for Food Systems Transformation, Building Resilience and Adapting to Climate Change summarizes the main findings from the seven reports the Panel has published between 2017-2020, providing a practical guide to support efforts by African countries to accelerate progress towards ending hunger and transforming their food systems.

Connecting the Dots: Policy Innovations for Food Systems Transformation in Africa—draws on the experience and at times visionary leadership of four African countries: Ghana, Malawi, Morocco, and Rwanda. It focuses on their policy and institutional innovations, which have moved the needle toward systems-level change and transformation.

Meat, Milk & More: Policy Innovations to Shepherd Inclusive and Sustainable Livestock Systems in Africa highlights options for sustainably promoting growth in the livestock sector, drawing from what four African countries have done successfully in terms of institutional and policy innovation as well as programmatic interventions.

Trading Up: Policy innovations to expand food and agricultural trade in Africa — provides options for sustainably, yet rapidly, increasing intraregional agricultural trade in Africa, drawing on the experience of COMESA, ECOWAS and SADC in terms of institutional and policy innovation as well as programmatic interventions.
MECHANIZED REPORT 2018

This report summarizes the findings of a systematic analysis of what seven African countries at the forefront of progress in mechanization of the agriculture value chain have done right.

ENERGIZED REPORT 2019

Policy innovations to power the transformation of Africa’s agriculture and food system

WATER-WISE REPORT 2018

Smart Irrigation Strategies for Africa

This report summarizes the key findings of a systematic analysis of what six African countries at the forefront of progress on irrigation have done right.

NOURISHED REPORT 2017

How Africa Can Build a Future Free from Hunger and Malnutrition

This report analyzes which policy decisions were taken to substantially reduce malnutrition in Africa and to promote healthier and more diverse diets and draws lessons to replicate such successes.

BYTE BY BYTE REPORT 2019

Policy Innovation for Transforming Africa’s Food System with Digital Technologies

This report summarizes the key findings of a systematic analysis of how seven African countries are applying digital technologies and services to transform their agriculture sectors.
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COVID-19 RESEARCH

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, AKADEMIYA2063 devoted substantial effort to examining the potential and actual impacts of the crisis in order to inform countries’ response and recovery strategies under four major workstreams, namely vulnerability hot spots, staple food price tracking, production systems disruption, and macro effects of trade disruption.

With 26 briefs and 22 bulletins published and 16 webinars organized to date, AKADEMIYA2063 will continue its COVID-19 research to support continental efforts in monitoring food prices, trade, nutrition, and resilience on an ongoing basis to help countries track COVID-19 recovery and prepare for future crises.
FOOD SYSTEMS TRANSFORMATION

AKADEMIYA2063’s portal on food systems transformation provides an overview of the institution’s activities and projects related to food systems transformation and the UN Food Systems Summit, which took place in September 2021.

Furthermore, AKADEMIYA2063 is involved in the first phase of the Food System Transformative Integrated Policy (FS-TIP) initiative launched to support African governments that demonstrate visionary political will to develop a policy agenda to achieve sustainable, healthy diets for all through three phases: landscaping and diagnostic analysis, policy development, and policy implementation. The three initial focus countries are Ghana, Malawi, and Rwanda.
AKADEMIYA2063 WORKING PAPER SERIES

AKADEMIYA2063 Working Papers are peer-reviewed publications by AKADEMIYA2063 scientists and collaborators. Published on the AKADEMIYA2063 website (open access), the AWPS aims to provide broad and timely access to significant insights and evidence from our ongoing research activities and that of our collaborators. The APWS series provides access to relevant evidence for policymakers, researchers, analysts, and broad stakeholder communities on development topics of strategic importance. With a scope spanning African countries and regions or issues with relevance to the African context in terms of learning or replication, the AWPS encompasses a wide range of strategic and operational topics, including but not limited to agricultural growth and transformation; industrialization; economic integration; poverty reduction, food security and livelihoods; natural resource management and environmental protection; and digital agriculture.
NAIP Tracking Tool

The NAIP tracking tool provides country status information on the development and implementation of National Agriculture Investment Plans (NAIPs), as well as on the related technical support being provided to countries. Its user-friendly interface highlights key NAIP development milestones and offers interactive charts and maps to analyze progress in NAIP development for the 55 African Union member states.

https://naip-status.resakss.org/

ReSAKSS Website

The ReSAKSS website is a wellspring of high-quality knowledge products that track progress, document success, and share lessons learned about agricultural and rural development policies and programs in Africa. It provides easy access to data, tools, analysis, knowledge products, and resources on CAADP implementation and other African agricultural and rural development strategies.

https://www.resakss.org/

ReSAKSS Country eAtlases

ReSAKSS Country eAtlases provide an internet-based, country-level geographic information system (GIS) for mapping highly disaggregated data on agricultural, socioeconomic, and biophysical indicators.

https://eatlas.resakss.org/
CAADP Biennial Review Visualization platform

The eBiennial Review (eBR) is an interactive web-based data platform that facilitates data collection, analysis, access, management, and reporting at the country, regional, and continental levels in support of the CAADP Biennial Review process. Website has restricted access.


ReSAKSS DATA CHALLENGE

The ReSAKSS challenge is an Africa-wide (diaspora included) competition targeting researchers, students, creative designers, developers and analysts and anyone passionate about data. The competition allows contenders to experiment, discover new tools, and create a community of practice while leveraging data in the most innovative ways.

https://www.resakss.org/challenge/

Africa Agriculture Watch (AAgWa)

Covering 47 countries and eight crops, Africa Agriculture Watch (AAgWa) is a web-based platform that employs cutting-edge machine learning techniques and remotely sensed data to predict agricultural yields and production levels of several crops across Africa to support crisis management, monitoring, and mitigation efforts in local communities.
