





The 11th CAADP Partnership Platform Meeting

25-26 March 2015, Birchwood Hotel; Johannesburg, South Africa

THEME:

"Walking the Talk: Delivering on Malabo Commitments on Agriculture for Women Empowerment"

MEETING NOTE

1 Introduction

The last three CAADP Partnership Platform (CAADP PP) Meetings (2012, 2013 and 2014) were dedicated to appreciating the challenges and gains as well as learning from the experiences of CAADP in the first ten (10) years of CAADP. This allowed us to identify priorities, action areas and implementation strategies for CAADP in the 2nd decade (2015-2025) and beyond. The AU Summit of June 2014 (Malabo Declaration, 2014) gave renewed legitimacy to CAADP as Africa's policy framework for agriculture growth and transformation for shared prosperity.

Malabo Declaration on agriculture and food security provides the African vision and resolve to accelerated agriculture transformation through collective and member states specific actions. Among the key issues unique in the Malabo Declaration is two factors, namely (a) the focus on delivering measureable results and impact around 8 areas of commitment - deepening the earlier CAADP Maputo commitments, and (b) bringing focus for the need for institutional and policy change to create an enabling environment for country and regional efforts to succeed in delivering on the Malabo targets and commitments.

Against this background, the 11th CAADP Partnership Platform - the first CAADP PP after the Malabo Declaration - is designed to help shape how the RESOLVE will be translated into action, results and impact. The PP will help build a shared understanding of country and regional needs and expectations of them for rolling out the Implementation Strategy and Road Map including launching efforts to form technical partnerships to align with and support implementation. CAADP faces new implementation challenges that will require new partnerships, including partnerships to integrate major initiatives and flagship efforts that are now in place making contributions to the areas and targets of the Malabo Declaration. Tapping these efforts will be key to early success in achieving results and impact. The PP will also play a key role in understanding what are the systemic institutional and policy changes that are being targeted to increase the efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of development efforts. And, the PP will be an important milestone in helping to shape actions to advance important commitments around cross cutting issues such as gender, inclusiveness, regional trade, entrepreneurship development and youth employment.

The 11th CAADP PP also recognize and will seek to bring out, in practical implementation terms, the connections between CAADP, African Agriculture (Malabo Declaration and CAADP Results Framework) and the Africa Union (AU) "Agenda 2063" as well as the work on the post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals. The PP will is designed to also directly and concretely reflect of the 2015 African Union theme - "Women Empowerment and Development, Towards Africa Agenda 2063".

2 The 11th CAADP PP Scope, theme and sub-themes

2.1 The main theme

The 11th CAADP PP is organised around the theme "Walking the Talk: Delivering on Malabo Commitments on Agriculture for Women Empowerment and Development". The theme reflects the tempo and ambition expressed by member states, both Governments and non-state players, to see more ACTION, RESULTS and

IMPACT. As indicated above, the PP meeting will serve as an important platform to take stock of existing capacity and commitments as well as gaps in the continent's capabilities to attain the goals and targets as set in the Malabo Declaration and CAADP Results Framework. The PP will afford the various CAADP and African Agriculture constituencies the opportunities to identify the result areas and implementation aspects they would be involved in as part of the collective efforts towards the shared CAADP vision and Malabo Declaration and CAADP Results Framework goals and targets.

2.2 The sub-themes

The Malabo Declaration itemizes seven (7) specific goals and targets for the 2015-2025. These include recommitment on the 10% annual public budget support to agriculture and the 6% annual agriculture productivity growth rate. Goal 1 is recommitments to the CAADP Vision and Principles (See CAADP Results Framework) and Goal 7 is commitment to the CAADP Results Framework, both in terms of commitment to accountability in delivering measureable results as well as guide and benchmark for the set targets.

Goals 2, 3, 4 and 5 refer to specific targets as indicators of the desired progress, results and impact including expected change (transformation). The seven goals, together, reflect an articulation of high level aggregated indicators as the frontline-window (dashboard) to give a view on progress, results and impact. The CAADP Results Framework presents an elaboration of the complete set of indicators – i.e. placing the seven dashboard indicators into a broader set of desegregated continental level indicators.

Within the context of examining "THE HOW" and setting to "WALK-THE-TALK", Goals 2, 3, 4 and 7 have been selected to frame the 11th CAADP PP sub-themes – as follows:

<u>Sub-theme 1</u>: Walk the Talk: Ending Hunger by 2025

Sub-theme 2: Walk the talk: Inclusive Agricultural Growth and Transformation

Sub-theme 3: Walk the talk: Boosting Intra-African Trade

Sub-theme 4: Walk the talk: Building Resilience to Reduce Vulnerability

Sub-theme 5: Walk the talk: Mutual Accountability to Actions, Results and Impacts

2.3 Key guiding questions

To help drive the thrust and discussions, the KEY QUESTION that will serve as the basis for discussion at the 11th CAADP PP will be "Where is the capacity, alliances and partnerships to implement CAADP and how is this going to be mobilized and aligned towards achieving the targets set in Malabo Declaration - CAADP Results Framework".

The PP will include both Plenary and concurrent sessions. Below are *SUB-QUESTIONS* that will explored in the concurrent sessions to stimulate reflection and discussion and will seek to facilitate examination of both technical, social, cultural political economy - making-it-happen factors:

- 1. Are you interested in and able to align your initiative with the Malabo Declaration
- 2. What results (in the Malabo Declaration CAADP Results Framework) are you contributing to and how; what coverage does your initiative now have (what countries and regions); what are the targets for your initiative in term of scale and impact and what are the major actions you are taking in 2015?
- 3. Does your initiative or partnership now provide services to assist countries and regions?
- 4. Does your initiative support women empowerment, opportunities for youth, or capacity building of local institutions?
- 5. Does your initiative now work with civil society and/or private sector groups?
- 6. Do you want to become part of a network of technical practitioners to advance the Malabo Declaration?

The 11th CAADP PP will facilitate discussions and generation of practical information that will help in mapping out and building the technical alliances and networks that can align with the Declaration and

CAADP Architecture to rally the support and reform desired to implement and deliver on Malabo Declaration. These questions will be addressed from a perspective of (a) national and regional/ multinational programmes and initiatives as well as (b) from that of especially national stakeholders and players (Government, Civil Society, Private Sector, Farmer Organisations, Learning and R&D Institutions, etc...)

3 Meeting structure and approach

The PP will take the form of several plenary sessions including panel discussions. To allow more time for open discussions and sharing, only a small number of presentations are included. The sub-themes will be addressed in dedicated sessions running parallel over the full afternoon of the first day.

The country scope forms the primary basis for all discussions. Participatory methods will be used to stimulate dialogue and sharing and harnessing the knowledge and experience from all delegates, and thereby collectively building the "HOW" of CAADP implementation over the coming decade.

Participating institutions, especially those involved in multi-country agriculture development initiatives and Programmes are encouraged to bring along a brief on their work (maximum 1 page); could cover (a) results areas in the Malabo Declaration to which your work will contribute; (b) how is this contribution going to be made; (c) what is the envisaged scale of the contribution – area/number of people and over what time period

4 Language

All plenary sessions will use French-English simultaneous translation.

5 Participants

The CAADP PP is open to all interested - These include Government political/policy and technical officials; parliamentarians; Regional Economic Communities, farmers' organizations, private sector, civil society, development partners, donor communities, etc....

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday; 23 rd	Open for self-organized Meetings and Side	Open for self-organized Meetings and Side	
March	events	events	
Tuesday; 24 th	Open for self-organized Meetings and Side	Open for self-organized Meetings and Side	
March	events	events	
Wednesday;	The 11 th CAADP PP – Day 1		Official Dinner
25 th March			(all invited)
Thursday; 26 th	The 11 th CAADP PP – Day 2		
March			
Friday; 27 th	The CAADP PP Business Meeting – By Invitation		
March			

6 Information desk or kiosk and exhibitions

Information desks and kiosks will be available during the PP days. Organisations wishing to exhibit or distribute literature materials and other visuals please contact Ms. Mwanja Nga'njo (mwanjan@nepad.org) or Ms. Carol Jilombo (Jilomboc@africa-union.org)

7 Logistics arrangements for the meeting

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