4<sup>th</sup> Calestous Juma Executive Dialogue on Innovation and Emerging Technologies (CJED)

## PROUDLY AFRICAN: SMART AGRICULTURAL INNOVATIONS TO SAFEGUARD AFRICA'S FOOD SECURITY

28 - 29 April 2021

The 4<sup>th</sup> Calestous Juma Executive Dialogue (CJED) will focus on strategic innovation and emerging technologies for smart agriculture to strengthen Africa's food security. As such, this executive dialogue will provide capacity strengthening of senior policy and decision-makers through the exchange of knowledge and national experiences, networking, experiencing diversity and building mutually beneficial relationships with a focus on emerging technologies in the 21stcentury suitable for Africa's sustainable agriculture and food security.

In recognition of their seminar participation, participants will be awarded online certificates of achievement by AUDA-NEPAD, which can be downloaded for their records.







## **Programme Structure**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Executive Dialogue delivery schedule is as follows:

DAY 1 Wednesday 28.04.2021						
TIME (GMT)	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE				
	OPENING SESSION  MODERATOR: Dr Dumisani Magadlela					
10:00 – 10:30	Welcome and Opening Remarks (Delegates to introduce themselves in the chatbox)	AUC APET AUDA-NEPAD				
10:30 – 10:40	Tribute video : Profs Calestous Juma & Oyewusi Ibidapo-Obe	APET Secretariat				
10:40 –10:55	Setting the context for the executive dialogue: purpose and expected learning outcomes	<b>Dr Justina Dugbazah</b> , Ag Coordinator of APET and CJED, AUDA NEPAD, South Africa				
10:55 – 11:10	The Africa Union High Level Panel on Emerging Technologies	Dr Rachel Chikwamba, CSIR Group Executive, South Africa				
11:10 – 11:30	General Discussions	All				
	MODULE 1: FROM FARM TO FORK: INNOVATIONS FOR AFRICAN AGRICULTURE  MODERATOR: Prof Leonard Kamwanja					
11:30 – 11:45	Emerging Technology Priorities for African Agriculture Value Chains	Dr Shadrach Moephuli, CEO, Agricultural Research Council, South Africa				
11:45 – 12:00	African Agriculture through Innovation from planting to harvesting: A case study of Cassava	<b>Prof. Emmanuel Bobobee</b> , Lecturer, Department of Agricultural & Biosystems Engineering, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology, Kumasi, Ghana				
12:00 – 12:15	Processing and value-addition through innovation	<b>Dr Moses Lubinga,</b> Agricultural Economist, National Agricultural Marketing Council (NAMC); Agriculture Sciences; South Africa				
12:15 – 12:35	General Discussions	All				
12:35 – 12:40	Break	All				
MODULE 2: ACHIEVING AFRICA'S FOOD SECURITY THROUGH INNOVATION AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES  MODERATOR: Dr Zama Khumalo						
12:40 – 14:00	Panel Discussion: Making Emerging Technologies relevant for Smallholder farmers in Africa	Panel Members:				

		<ol> <li>Dr Denis Kyetere, Executive Director, African Agricultural Technology Foundation (AATF), Kenya</li> <li>Prof Sunita Facknath, Professor in Sustainable Agriculture and the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Mauritius, Mauritius</li> <li>Dr Brylyne Chitsunge, Pan-African Parliament's Food Security Ambassador, South Africa</li> <li>Dr Emma Naluyima, CEO, One Acre Limited; Joint Prize Winner – Africa Food Prize 2019</li> <li>Dr Phuti Chelopo-Mgobozi, Innovation Specialist: Biosciences, The Innovation Hub, South Africa</li> </ol>
14:00 – 14:20	General Discussions	All
14:20 -14:30	Wrap-up and closing	AUDA-NEPAD

## End of Day 1

DAY 2					
Thursday   29.04.2021					
TIME (GMT)	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE			
	MODULE 3: ADDRESSING EMERGING THREATS TO AFRICA'S FOOD SECURITY				
MODERATOR: Dr Jeremy Ouedraogo					
10:00 – 10:10	Recap of Day 1	Mr Bhekani Mbuli, Lecturer and Researcher, University of Johannesburg South Africa			
10:10 – 10:25	Smart Agricultural Innovations to address emerging threats like Fall Armyworm	<b>Dr. B.M. Prasanna</b> , Director of CIMMYT's Global Maize Program and the CGIAR Research Program on Maize			
10:25 –10:40	Technological Innovations for Addressing Food Security in Africa: Perspectives from AATF	<b>Dr Francis Nang'ayo</b> , Senior Manager, Regulatory Affairs African Agricultural Technology Foundation (AATF), Kenya,			
10:40 – 10:55	General Discussions	All			
MODULE 4: GENDER CONSIDERATIONS IN THE AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN, FOOD SECURITY AND INNOVATION					
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10:55 – 11:55	Panel Discussion on Gendered Challenges, Experiences and Best Practices of African Farmers	<ol> <li>Panel Members</li> <li>Prof Roseanne Diab, Director, GenderInSITE, Durban, South Africa -</li> <li>Dr Litha Musyimi-Ogana, Former Director: Women, Gender and Development Directorate, African Union Commission, Addis Ababa</li> <li>Prof. Juliana M. Mafwil MNI, Professor of Political Economy and Development Studies and Dean, Management and Social Sciences, Pathfinder Christian University, Jos, Nigeria,</li> <li>Mr Gabriel U. Aniabi, Development Consultant, Founder, GoBeyond Enterprises, Nigeria</li> <li>Dr Keabetswe T. Ncube, Founder and CEO, Kea Ncube Agri Services (PTY) LTD, Co-Founder of Feminine Farmers, South Africa</li> </ol>			
11:55 – 12:10	General Discussions	All			
12:10 – 12:20	Break	All			
MODULE 5: ETHICS AND SOCIO-CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS IN HARNESSING INNOVATIONS FOR FOOD SECURITY  MODERATOR: Dr Dumisani Magadlela					
12:10 – 12:25	Ethical, Social and Cultural Thinking as an Enabler				
	of Food Security	<b>Dr Filippo Randazzo</b> , CEO and Founder of Leverage Science – USA & <b>Prof Claudia Emmerson</b> , McMaster University, Hamilton - Canada			
12:25 – 12:40	The role of African Indigenous Knowledge Systems in Appropriate Technology Development for Food Security	<b>Prof. Hassan O. Kaya,</b> Director and Research Leader, DSI-NRF Centre in Indigenous Knowledge Systems			
12:40 – 12:55	General Discussions	All			

Module 6: INSIGHTS FROM YOUNG AFRICAN INNOVATORS					
MODERATOR: Prof Emmanuel Bobobee					
12:55 – 13:10	Smart farming systems for sustainable Saharan agriculture; A case study of Algeria	<b>Dr Samir Boudibi</b> , Scientific and Technical Research Center on Arid Regions (CRSTRA), Algeria			
13:10 – 13:25	Empowering African farmers with affordable technologies	Ms Ruramiso Mashumba CEO, Mnandi Farms, Zimbabwe			
13:25 – 13:40	GUDRA AI: The use of Artificial Intelligence and Industry 4.0 In Leapfrogging African Agriculture	Mr Darlington Ahiale Akogo, Executive Director, karaAgro Al			
13:40 – 13:55	Biofortification and use of fertilizers beneficial for sustainable agriculture in tropical Africa.	Mr Christian Ikwele, CEO, Green Thought Enterprise, DRC Congo			
13:55 – 14:10	General Discussions	All			
14:10 – 14:20	Mentimeter Survey	Ms Barbara Glover, AUDA-NEPAD			
14:20 – 14:30	Wrap up and Closing Remarks	AUC AUDA-NEPAD			
		End of Day 2			