



Agenda Programme: Event Title: From Commitment to Action: Delivering the Kampala Strategy for Agricultural R&D in Africa

Dates: June 16–19, 2025

Venue: Cairo, Egypt

Day 1 (16th June 2025): Opening and Setting the Context

09:00 – 10:30 | Opening Ceremony

Moderator (Agricultural Research Center, Egypt)

- *Speakers:*
 - Executive Director, FARA
 - Representative- Regional Director for Africa (CGIAR Center)
 - Executive Secretary AFTAAC
 - AUC-Representative
 - Host Country Rep (Minister of Agriculture, Egypt)
- **Key notes Speaker: Dr Mafa Chipeta**

10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:30 | Panel 1: CAADP Kampala Strategy – From Vision to Action

- *Moderator:* Dr. Irene Annor Frempong (Facilitator)
- *Panelists:*
 - Kenao Lao (AUC/CAADP)
 - Dr. Samuel Benin (IFPRI/CGIAR)
 - Dr. Clement Adjorlolo (AU-NEPAD)
 - Dr. Moses Odeke (ASARECA)
 - Representative ARC Egypt

13:30 – 14:30 | Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:00 | Panel 2: Building Resilient Agricultural Research Systems

- *Moderator:* Dr. Niéyidouba Lamien (CORAF)
- *Panelists:*
 - Dr. Majola Lawrence Mabuza (CCARDESA)
 - Dr. Wanjiru Kamau-Rutenberg (CGIAR)
 - Dr. Sokona Dagnoko (RUFORUM)
 - Dr. Charity Kagiso K-Kruger (NARDI, Botswana)
 - Dr. Fredah Maina Wangui (KALRO, Kenya)
 - Representative ARC Egypt
- **16:00 – 16:30 | Coffee Break**

16:30 – 18:00 | Interactive Session: Audience Dialogue & Regional Breakouts

- Regional groups discuss challenges and opportunities
- Output: Key regional research priorities

Day 2 (17th June 2025): Technology, Innovation & Inclusion

09:00 – 10:30 | Panel 3: Leveraging Technology and Innovation for Agri-Transformation

- *Moderator:* Dr. Charles Kleinermann (CGIAR/ ICARDA)
- *Panelists:*
 - Dr. Baboucarr Manneh (AfricaRice)
 - Dr. Oladunjoye Michael Adeyinka (Pan African University)
 - Kofi Kisiedu Acquaye (YPARD)
 - Dr. Niéyidouba Lamien (CORAF)
 - Dr. Hernán D. Muñoz, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
 - Representative ARC Egypt

10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30 | Panel 4: Bridging the Research-to-Practice Gap

- *Moderator:* Dr. Lilian Lihasi Kidula (AFAAS)
- *Panelists:*
 - Dr. Oyewole Babafemi (PAFO)
 - Representative ROPPA/PROPAC
 - Prof. Quirico Migheli, Director, Desertification Research Centre (EWA BELT)
 - Dr. Uffelen, Gerrit-Jan van (WUR)
 - Representative ARC/Cairo University

12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:00 | Panel 5: Gender, Youth and Inclusive Research Systems

- *Moderator:* **Fatma Bensadok (Algeria – Gender/Training)**

- *Panelists:*
 - Lovin Kobusingye (Uganda National Women Fish Organization)
 - Kofi Kisiedu Acquaye (YPARD)
 - Jenniffer Wairimu Waruingi (Kenya Youth)
 - Dr. Jennie Van der Mheen (WUR) University
 - Dr. Laura Altea (EWA BELT)
 - Representative ARC Egypt

15:00 – 15:30 | Coffee Break

15:30 – 17:00 | Workshop Session: Strategies for Inclusion & Equity facilitated by Dr. Irene Annor Frempong

- Group discussions
- Output: Key recommendations for inclusive R&D

Day 3 (18th June 2025): Institutional Frameworks & Resource Mobilization

09:00 – 10:30 | Panel 6: Institutional Collaboration and Policy Engagement for Kampala Delivery

- *Moderator:* Dr. AKwesi Ntiamoah Atta-Krah, Senior advisor to the Regional Director for Africa
- *Panelists:*
 - Dr. Gert-Jan, CGIAR
 - Dr. Aliou Faye (ISRA, Senegal)
 - Representative ARC/Cairo University
 - Dr. Moyo Siboniso, ILRI Deputy Director General

10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30 | Panel 7: Resource Mobilization and Public-Private Partnerships

- *Moderator:* Dr Kwaku Antwi (FARA)
- *Panelists:*
 - Dr. Oyewole Babafemi (PAFO – Farmer/PPP links)
 - Dr. Tapsoba François (EWA Scientific Board)
 - Peter Claver Anyeembey (Ministry of Agriculture, Ghana)
 - Dr. Mohammed Ssemwanga (AGRENES-Private Sector)
 - Representative Cairo University
 - Representatives from AFTAAC
 - Representative ARC Egypt

12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch Break

13:30 – 17:30 | Synthesis and Way Forward Facilitated by Dr. Irene Annor Frempong

- Co-creation of draft action plans for national, regional, and continental levels
- Identification of milestones and responsibilities

| Presentation of Draft Action Plan and Institutional Arrangements

- Plenary review and feedback

| Coffee Break

Closing Panel: The Future of Agricultural R&D in Africa by Dr. Aggrey Agumya, FARA Executive Director

- Reflective discussion from diverse stakeholders

Closing Remarks & Commitments

- Final statements from AUC, host country

Day 4 (19th June 2025): Visit ARC and Cairo University

09:00 – 13:00 | Day 4: Visit ARC

Day 4: Visit Agriculture Research Center

09:30 – 10:30 | Welcome Speech by Prof. Dr. Adel Abdelazim (Head of ARC)

(Location: Regional center for food and feed)

10:30 – 11:30 | Regional center for food and feed Tour

(Focus on food processing, safety, and innovation)

11:30 – 12:30 | Cotton Research Institute Tour

(Explore cotton breeding, production, and research)

12:30 – 13:30 | Agricultural Genetic Engineering Research Institute (AGERI) Tour

(Learn about animal and plant biotechnology, genetic modification, and crop improvement)

13:00 | End of Workshop