

## Financing Agrifood Systems Sustainably (FINAS) 2025 Dialogue

20-22 May 2025

Kenyatta International Conference Centre (KICC)

PRE-SUMMIT DIALOGUES	
21 January 2025	Pre-summit dialogue 1: Loan classification system for agricultural lending, Agrifinancing®
25 March 2025	Pre-summit dialogue 2 : Re-imagining funding in line with changing policy at global level; Co-located with Media Announcement
3 April 2025	Pre-summit dialogue 3: Sealing the leaking pipeline - PWC
10 April 2025	Pre-summit dialogue 4: Data, Technology, Innovation and Financial Modelling; Effecting use and Impact of Agri-Food Finance to attain CAADP 2025 – 2035 Strategic Investments-Strathmore University.
TBD 2025	Pre-summit dialogue 5: Innovating Finance for Resilience-FSD Kenya
29 April 2025	Pre-summit dialogue 6: Agri-insurance dialogue 6: GIZ
13 May 2025	Pre-summit dialogue 7: Regulatory Frameworks that enable Private Capital Flows to Agrifood Systems: ACELI/KBA
SUMMIT DIALOGUES	
<b>Master of Ceremony: Johnson Mwakazi, Journalist and Communication Consultant</b>	
0700 - 0830	Registrations
<b>SESSION ONE: OPENING SESSION</b>	
	Session Moderator: <a href="#">Henry Kinyua</a> , Senior Advisor, Crops and Value Chains, Presidential Economic Transformation Secretariat (PETS), Kenya
0830 - 0845	Welcome remarks, <a href="#">Summit Director</a>
0845 - 0900	Official Welcome: <a href="#">Dr Paul Kiprono Ronoh</a> , Principal Secretary, State Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development On behalf of Principal Secretaries in the Food Systems Framework
0900-0930	Kampala Declaration: Funding the commitment: <a href="#">Boaz Blackie Keizire</a> , Director , Policy and State Capacity, AGRA

0930 - 1030	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tamara Cook, CEO, FSD-K- Making a case for the small holder farmer</li> <li>○ Daniel Günther, Head of Development Cooperation, German Embassy in Kenya</li> <li>○ Mr Claver Gatete, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)</li> <li>○ HE Veronica Nduva, EAC Secretary General</li> <li>○ Mr Moses Vilakati, AU Commissioner, Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment</li> <li>○ Sen. Mutahi Kagwe EGH, CS Agriculture and Livestock Development, Government of Kenya</li> <li>○ Hon. John Mbadi, CS, National Treasury and Economic Planning, Government of Kenya</li> <li>○ Official Opening: H.E. Dr. Musalia Mudavadi, EGH, Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs, Republic of Kenya</li> </ul>		
1030 -1100	Media Engagements, Exhibition visits and Health Break		
	<b>SESSION 2: DIALOGUES</b>		
1100 - 1300	<b>Focus Area 1: Inclusive food systems policy and regulatory frameworks</b>		
	<b>Keynote:</b> Agricultural/Rural Development Finance-The India Experience: Ravi, Kiran Malik, Senior Consultant/Advisor, Agricultural & Rural Development Finance		
	<b>Keynote :</b> Role of the State in the development of a competitive agricultural finance system: Framework for Assessing a Country's Ag Finance Maturity- Brian Milder, Founder and CEO, Aceli Africa		
	Launch of Kenya's Policy Framework on the Agriculture Development Fund and Subsidy Management: Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, Government of Kenya		
1300 -1400	Health Break		
	<b>Break out Sessions</b>		
1400 - 1630	<b>Policy Frameworks to support food systems financing in Africa:</b>  <b>Convened by GIZ</b>  Session Moderator: Paul Guthiga, AKADEMIYA2063	<b>Boosting Investment and Financing for Accelerated Agrifood system transformation in Africa: Exploring the Role of Public Sector in enhancing agrifood finance.</b>  <b>Convened by AGRA</b>	<b>Regulatory Frameworks that enable Private Capital Flows to Agrifood Systems</b>  <b>Convened by ACELI Africa and Kenya Bankers Association (KBA)</b>

	Sophia Baumert GIZ	Session Moderator: Boaz Keizire, AGRA	Session Moderator: Sharon Mosin, Aceli Africa
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Domestication of the Kampala Declaration in Kenya Hosted by: MoALD, GIZ, AKADEMIYA 2063</li> <li>-Welcome remarks by the Moderator (5 min)</li> <li>-Session objectives, GIZ (Kennedy Okech)</li> <li>-Keynote Presentation (10 min): A status of NAIP implementation, a brief overview of the Kampala Declaration, and requirements for Domesticating the Kampala Declaration in Kenya- Speaker: MoALD</li> <li>-Panel discussion: Moderator: Paul Guthiga, AKADEMIYA2063 Panelists: -Josephine Love, CAADP Focal Point from MoALD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1400-1415: Key note: Decreasing possibilities for Governments to attract (concessional) funding for the agrifood sector and the need for more effective deployment of scarce funding: what are the options? Dr. Kiptoo, PS Treasury</li> <li>○ 1415-1500: Panel discussion. How can the public sector improve <b>the coordination and deployment of public funds for agrifood systems and Who leads?</b></li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Ezra Anyango, AGRA consultant</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Dr. Thomas Essel, Secretary General AFRACA and Former Economist, Bank of Ghana and founder of GIRSAAL</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1400-1430, Keynote: Presentation: Overview of current Regulatory Framework for Agfinance in Kenya and ongoing initiatives (e.g the National Financial Inclusion Strategy, the WG)- Dr. Samuel Tiriongo, Director Research and Policy KBA</li> <li>○ 1430- 1600 Panel discussion: Unlocking and Accelerating Private Sector Lending to Agriculture: What works?</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: TBD</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Mr. Kihara Maina, Regional CEO, I&amp;M Bank</li> <li>-CBK</li> <li>-SASRA</li> <li>-KBA</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A Break</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1600- 1620 Fireside chat: Moderator-TBD, Guest-IFAD/ CBK</li> </ul>

	<p>-<a href="#">Paul Gamba</a>, Lead Consultant for NAIP II Development</p> <p>-<a href="#">Getaw Tadesse</a>, AKADEMIYA2063 (Technical Perspective)</p> <p>-<a href="#">John Macharia</a>, AGRA (Policy and Implementation Perspective)</p> <p>-<a href="#">Agatha Thuo</a>, CEO Agricultural Sector Network (ASNET) (Private Sector)</p> <p>-<a href="#">Rebecca Mincy</a>, Investment Director, Acumen Resilient Agriculture Fund (ARAF) (Investors/Funds)</p> <p>Discussion Themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Policy alignment and financing strategies for the Kampala Declaration</li> <li>-Balancing emergency food needs and long-term resilience</li> <li>-Strengthening Public-Private partnerships in financing agri-food systems</li> <li>-Innovative approaches to de-risking agricultural investments</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A and Actionable Takeaways (20 min)</p>	<p>-<a href="#">Mr. Ronald Inyangala</a>, Deputy Director, Financial and Sectoral Affairs at The National Treasury</p> <p>-<a href="#">Prof. Hamadi Boga</a>, Vice President Program delivery AGRA and Former PS Ministry of Agriculture</p> <p>-<a href="#">Mrs. Priscilla Muiruri</a>, Coordinator, Food Systems Technical Working Group</p> <p>15.00 – 15.15: Q&amp;A with the audience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 15.15 – 16.00: Panel discussion: Blended finance for agrifood sector. Role of Governments and donors, public development banks and commercial banks? Is there a continuum and collaboration? What blended instruments (guarantees, matching grants, result based financing,..) have proven to work in agrifood finance?</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: <a href="#">Hedwig Siewertsen</a>, AGRA, Head of Inclusive Finance</p> <p>Panelists:</p>	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pannel Discussion: Repurposing Agenda: progress in the redesign of fertilizer subsidy models: Hosts: GIZ, IFPRI, MoALD</li> </ul>	<p>-<a href="#">Dr. Nungari Mwangi</a>, AfDB, Agri SME Strategy and Partnerships Officer</p> <p>-<a href="#">Dr. Lade Araba</a>, VP financial services AFAP and former Africa director Convergence</p> <p>-<a href="#">Dr. George Kubai</a>, Managing Director AFC</p> <p>-<a href="#">Tamer El Raghy</a>, ARAF Acumen</p> <p>-<a href="#">Mr. John Kabutha</a>, National Treasury, Manager PMU RK- FINFA</p> <p>16.00- 16.15 Q&amp;A with the audience</p> <p>16.15 – 16.30 Concluding remarks by Dr. Kiptoo, PS Treasury, Government of Kenya</p>	
<b>21 May 2025</b>	<b>Focus Area 2: Funding Resilience and climate mitigation and adaptation: FSD-K</b>		
0830 -0845	Official Opening: CS Co-operatives and MSMEs		
0845 -0915	<b>Keynote:</b> Evidence on tracking financing flows for food systems in Africa - Nadine Gbosa Director Food Systems Coordination, IFAD		
0915 - 0945	<b>Keynote:</b> Innovating Finance for Resilience , <a href="#">James Kashangaki</a> , Financial Sector Deepening-Kenya		
0945 -1030	Panel discussion: KBA		
1030 - 1100	Health Break		
	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>		
1100 - 1300	<b>De-risking instruments for food system actors:</b>	<b>Managing risks for private sector investors.</b>	<b>Financing resilient food systems.</b>

	<p>Convened by GIZ/AfDB</p>	<p>Convened by FSD-K, WWF, PWC</p> <p>Session Moderator: <a href="#">Jared Ochieng</a>, FSD Kenya</p>	<p>Convened by Finance in Motion</p> <p>Session Moderator: <a href="#">John Keige</a>, Finance in Motion</p>
	<p>Showcasing blended finance models for de-risking investments in African agriculture value chains</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (10 min) Introduction to the Bank’s Blended Finance instruments for de-risking investment into African Agri-food systems: <a href="#">Dr. Andrew Mude</a>, Lead - Agri-SME Development and Innovative Finance Program, African Development Bank</li> <li>- (30 min) Panel discussion showcasing structured deals integrating: climate insurance; lines of credit, technical assistance and digital solutions</li> </ul> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- African Development Bank: (Mobilization of Blended Finance and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Part 1: Green Finance Taxonomy</li> <li>○ Part 2: Sealing the leaking Pipeline</li> </ul>	<p><b>Opening:</b> Senior manager/officer investment management at Finance in Motion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is climate resilient infrastructure in agri-food systems?</li> <li>• The nexus between agri-food system, finance and resilience (nature, biodiversity, climate)</li> <li>• How are asset managers and investors approaching this</li> <li>• Pathway to a nuanced discussion with practitioners</li> </ul> <p><b>Panel discussion 1:</b> Financial institutions (banks, restoration project funders): Trends in financing agri-food systems infrastructural projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absa</li> <li>• Family Bank</li> </ul>

	<p>deployment of de-risking instruments)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Open Capital Advisors: (Technical assistance support for Agri-SMEs)</li> <li>- Kenya National Farmers' Federation (KENAFF) (Farmer training and use of digital solutions for financial inclusion of 250,000 farmers)</li> <li>- Kifiya Financial Technology (Ethiopia): (AI-enabled, alternative data-driven scoring and rating company that offers FinTech, AgTech services )</li> <li>- Mastercard (Availing digital financial solutions to farmers at scale)</li> <li>- ACRE Africa (Climate insurance and digital financial inclusion solutions for farmers)</li> <li>- (15 min) Q&amp;A</li> <li>- (5 min) Closing remarks, AfDB</li> </ul> <p><b>Session to be updated after pre-conference dialogue on Ag Insurance</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rabo Bank</li> <li>• World Resources institute (outcome-based financing docket)</li> </ul> <p><b>Panel discussion 2:</b> Agrifood sector associations- (challenges and opportunities in financing agri-food systems infrastructural projects)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fresh Produce Consortium of Kenya (FPC)/Fresh Produce Exporters Association of Kenya (FPEAK)</li> <li>• Cereal Growers Association</li> <li>• Performer (Dairy)</li> <li>• ASNET</li> </ul> <p><b>Wrap up</b> (Expert synthesis): Challenges, risks, opportunities for actors in the food systems-call to action. Role of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Catalytic funding</li> <li>• Transformational/scaling funding</li> <li>• Commercial funding</li> </ul>
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	<p>Innovations in Capacity Building for Climate Insurance: Introducing the Africa Climate Risk Insurance Facility for Adaptation (ACRIFA) Academy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (10 min) Introduction to ACRIFA Academy-AfDB</li> <li>- (30 Min)Panel discussion showcasing lessons learnt from capacity building programs in climate insurance</li> </ul> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- -Africa Risk Capacity Capacity Building Program</li> <li>- -UNDP Financial Resilience in Agriculture (FRA) Technical Champions Program</li> <li>- -ZEP Re Academy: Certificate course training on agri and climate insurance</li> <li>- Kenya College of Insurance diploma courses on agri-climate insurance</li> <li>- Insurance Training College (ITC) of Uganda</li> <li>- Yara Leadership Academy: 12 week MBA inspired</li> </ul>		
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	<p>leadership program for SMEs in Yara's supply chain</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (15 min) Question and Answer session with the audience</li> <li>- (5 min) Closing remarks - AfDB</li> </ul>		
1300 -1400	Health Break		
1400 -1420	Food Systems thinking: leadership-Africa Food Fellowship		
1420 - 1500	Hackathon: Climate Resilience, Nutrition, Food Loss and Waste management, Agroecology		
1500 - 1630	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>		
	<p>Financing Food Systems Pathways</p> <p>Convened by UN FAO</p>	<p>Food Systems Finance-Learning Session</p> <p>Convened by Netherlands Food Partnership /Rabo Bank/Equity</p>	<p>Making a case for the small holder producer-banking the unbanked</p> <p>To include Post production financing by KDC</p> <p>Convened by AFC</p>
<b>22 May 2025</b>			
	<b>Focus Area 3: The Youth A-Gender</b>		
<b>0830 - 0900</b>	<b>Keynote</b>		
<b>0900 1030</b>	<b>Breakout sessions</b>		

	<b>Youth in Agribusiness</b>  <b>Convened by Heifer International</b>	<b>Women in Agribusiness</b>	<b>Funding Agroecology /biodiversity/Nutrition</b>  <b>Convened by Transformational Investing in Food Systems (TIFS) and Rockefeller Foundation</b>
1030 -1040	Health Break		
<b>1040 - 1300</b>	<b>Focus Area 4: Technology, Data, Research and Capacity</b>		
<b>1040 - 1100</b>	Keynote: <a href="#">David Cracknell</a> , Consultant, First Principles		
<b>1100 - 1120</b>	Hackathon		
	<b>Break Out Sessions</b>		
	<b>Scaling Financial Access and Last Mile Delivery: Driving Technology Adoption</b>  <b>Convened by Digifarm and FINTAK</b>	<b>Digital Innovation for Food System Processes and Agric Value Chain and Markets</b>	<b>Data as the new collateral</b>  <b>Convened by Strathmore University</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Agent Banking Networks: Specialized for agricultural communities with seasonal cash flows</li> <li>○ Digitized Supplier Credit: Embedded finance through input suppliers and off-takers</li> <li>○ Parametric Insurance: Weather-indexed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tokenized Agricultural Assets: Creating liquid markets for previously illiquid agricultural assets</li> <li>○ Smart Contracting Platforms: Digitizing and automating agricultural contracts from farm to market</li> <li>○ Supply Chain Financing Innovations: Dynamic discounting and reverse</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Data, Technology, Innovation and Financial Modelling; Effecting use and Impact of Agri-Food Finance to attain CAADP 2025 – 2035 Strategic Investments.</li> <li>○ Satellite Data Applications: Remote sensing for crop monitoring and yield prediction</li> </ul>

	<p>microinsurance delivered via mobile</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Voice-Based Interfaces: Technology solutions for low-literacy farming communities</li> <li>○ Collateral Innovations: Warehouse receipts, livestock insurance, and equipment leasing models</li> </ul>	<p>factoring for agricultural SMEs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Trade Finance Platforms: Digital solutions for cross-border agricultural commerce</li> <li>○ Digital Marketplaces: Price discovery and market linkage platforms with integrated Financing</li> <li>○ Behavioral Design Approaches: Using nudges and incentives to drive digital financial service adoption</li> <li>○ Community Adoption Models: Leveraging social networks and peer influence for technology diffusion</li> <li>○ Hybrid Digital/Human Models: Balancing technology with human touchpoints for trust-building</li> <li>○ Localized Digital Content: Creating contextually relevant financial education in local languages</li> <li>○ Graduated Complexity Approaches: Progressive</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Alternative Credit Scoring: Psychometric testing, telecommunications data, and agricultural activity data</li> <li>○ .Predictive Analytics: Machine learning for agricultural risk assessment and pricing</li> <li>○ .Crowdsourced Agricultural Data: Farmer-generated data collection models</li> <li>○ Integrated Data Platforms: Combining weather, market, production, and financial data</li> </ul> <p><b>Panels underway</b></p>
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		introduction of features based on user capability	
		<b>Panels underway</b>	
1300 - 1400	Health Break		
<b>1400-1630</b>	<b>SESSION 3: AWARDING EXCELLENCE -FINTAK AND CLOSING CEREMONY</b>		
	Briefing on process-Chair of Selection Committee		
	Announcing winners and their 5 minutes deck presentation		
	Categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Financial inclusion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Youth and gender inclusion</li> <li>-MSMEs</li> <li>-Small holder farmers</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Best fit Agri. insurance solution</li> <li>○ Financial innovation (innovative funding technologies)</li> </ul>		
	<b>Official Ceremony</b>		