

## Wednesday, 15th June 2022 | Official Launching Event

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### Launch of the West Africa Food System Resilience Program

Moderator: Kaja Waldmann, Agriculture Analyst, World Bank

**09:00** Opening Addresses

**09:45**  
**GMT** Sékou Sangaré, Commissioner for Agriculture,  
Environment and Water Resources, ECOWAS

Hawa Cisse Wague, Country Manager Togo, World Bank

Antoine Lekpa Gbegbeni, Minister, Ministry of Agriculture,  
Livestock and Rural Development of Togo

**09:45** Keynote Presentation: Food system resilience and transformation

**10:00**  
**GMT** Robert Zougmore, West Africa Regional Leader, Accelerating Impacts of  
CGIAR Climate Research for Africa (AICCRA)

**10:00** The Food Systems Resilience Program for Transforming Food  
Systems in West Africa

**10:15**  
**GMT** Chakib Jenane, Practice Manager for West and Central Africa Region,  
Food and Agriculture Global Practice, World Bank

Katie Kennedy Freeman, Senior Agriculture Economist, World Bank

**10:15**  
**10:30**  
**GMT** Pause



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**10:30** Panel Discussion

**11:00  
GMT** Digital Advisory Services,  
Adaptive Capacity  
Measures and Regional  
Food Markets:

How will the FSRP increase  
Food System Resilience  
Across the West Africa?

**11:00  
11:30  
GMT** Live Q&A

**Moderator:**

**Ana Maria Loboguerrero**,  
Interim Director, AICCRA

**Panelists:**

**Alain Sy Traore**, Director of Agriculture  
and Rural Development, ECOWAS

**Mahalmoudou Hamadoun**, General  
Director, CILSS

**Abdou Tenkouano**, Executive Director,  
CORAF

**11:30** Closing Remarks

**12:00  
GMT** **Simeon Ehui**, Regional Director for Sustainable Development for  
Africa, World Bank

**Sékou Sangaré**, , Commissioner for Agriculture, Environment  
and Water Resources, ECOWAS

**12:00  
12:30  
GMT** Press Conference  
Invitation Only

**12:30  
1:30  
GMT** Lunch break



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## Lightening Learning Sessions - powered by the West Africa Food System Resilience Facility (FSRF)

### Lightening Learning Session 1: Boosting Regional Food Trade to Enhance Food System Resilience

**Abstract:** To promote intraregional food trade and market integration, ECOWAS is currently developing an agriculture trade and market scorecard in collaboration with Akademyia2063 and with support from FSRF. Bringing together regional stakeholders from governments, regional organizations, technical partners and civil society, the event will provide an overview of the status, trends and importance of regional food trade against the backdrop of the ongoing war in Ukraine before discussing the role and potential of the ECOWAS Trade and Market Scorecard as a monitoring and advocacy tool to support a better implementation of regional trade policies.

01:30  
02:10  
pm  
GMT

#### Enhancing Food System Resilience Through Trade and Market Integration

##### Presentation

Intra-Regional Trade of Agricultural and Food Commodities: Status and Progress

##### Comments by discussants

##### Facilitated Q&A

02:10  
03:00  
pm  
GMT

#### Boosting Regional Trade Through Mutual Accountability

##### Presentations

EATM-Scorecard project

Review of past and ongoing experiences related to accountability mechanisms

The West African perspective on the CAADP Biennial Review

##### Facilitated Q&A

##### Closing remarks

03:00  
03:15pm GMT

##### Break

##### Moderator:

**Ernest Ruzindaza**, Senior Agriculture Economist, World Bank

##### Speaker:

**Christopher Mensah-Yawson**, Program Officer Trade & Development, ECOWAS

##### Discussants:

**Brahima Cissé**, Trade expert, CILSS  
**Ismael Fofana**, Director, Capacity and Deployment, AKADEMYIA2063

##### Moderator:

**Abdou Tenkouano**, Executive Director, CORAF

##### Speakers:

**Alain Sy Traoré**, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, ECOWAS  
**Aicha Lucie Sanou**, Food Security Analyst, World Bank  
**Mbaye Yade**, Director for Western and Central Africa, AKADEMYIA2063  
**Ernest Ruzindaza**, Senior Agriculture Economist, World Bank





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## Lightening Learning Session 2: Weather-proof Decisions - Critical Ingredients for Delivering Producer-centric Climate Information

**Abstract:** Scaling up the use of digital climate and weather information services is a promising approach to safeguard producers' livelihoods in times of climate change. This session will present results from a FSRP study on effective mechanisms for the delivery of digital climate information and agriculture advisory services, which provide evidence-based decision support to farmers. Panellists will discuss ways through which FSRP can encourage the development and dissemination of innovative climate information services that are co-produced with the private sector.



03:15  
03:20  
pm  
GMT

Opening remarks

03:20  
03:40  
pm  
GMT

Presentation of study results

03:40  
03:55  
pm  
GMT

Comments by discussants

03:55  
04:25  
pm  
GMT

Facilitated Q&A

04:25  
04:30  
pm  
GMT

Closing

04:30  
04:45  
pm  
GMT

Break

**Moderator:**

**Cécile Lorillou**, Disaster Risk Management Specialist, World Bank

**Speaker:**

**Eline Vanuytrecht**, Agro-climatological Expert, VITO

**Discussants:**

**Abdou Ali**, Head of Information and Research, CILSS AGRYHMET

**Patrick Delmas**, Technical Assistant, RECA

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## Lightening Learning Session 3: Acute on Chronic: Assessing and Managing Regional Agriculture Risks in West Africa

**Abstract:** The new publication 'Regional Risks to Agriculture in West Africa: Agricultural Risk Impacts, Management Measures and Financing Mechanisms Through a Regional Lens' provides a regional perspective on agriculture risks and possible risk management options. During this session, the report's authors will present key findings and lessons learned for assessing agriculture risk impacts on food security. In addition, the event will discuss promising short- and mid-term avenues for reducing West Africa's vulnerability to agriculture risks both in the context of FSRP and beyond.



04:45  
04:50  
pm  
GMT

Opening remarks



04:50  
05:15  
pm  
GMT

Presentation of the report



05:15  
05:30  
pm  
GMT

Comments by discussants



05:30  
05:55  
pm  
GMT

Facilitated Q&A

05:55  
06:00  
pm  
GMT

Closing

### Moderator:

**Diego Arias Carballo**, Practice Manager for Latin America and the Caribbean, Food and Agriculture Global Practice, World Bank

### Speakers:

**Ramiro Itturioz**, Agricultural Risk Management Specialist, World Bank

**Felix Lung**, Social Protection Specialist, World Bank

**Cristina Stefan**, Disaster Risk Finance Specialist, World Bank

### Discussants:

**Alain Sy Traoré**, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, ECOWAS

**Tenin Fatimata Dicko**, Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank"

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