

DRAFT AGENDA

“Making the Connection: Value Chains for Transforming Smallholder Agriculture”

An International Conference

To be held at
United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
6-9 November, 2012

November 5th

14.00 – 17.00 Registration

November 6th

08.00 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 – 10.30 Official Opening

- Speech of Welcome, Mr Michael Hailu, Director, CTA
- Speech of Welcome, Mr. Josué Dione, Director, Food Security and Sustainable Development Division, UNECA
- Keynote Speech. [Professor David Hughes](#), Emeritus Professor, Imperial College, London. “Setting the scene: world agrifood trends and their potential impact on developing country value chains”.

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break and Exhibition

11.00 – 13.00 Plenary Session One
“Promoting sustainable, market-led value chains”
A moderated panel discussion in which speakers from the private sector, public sector, international agencies and academia will draw on the Keynote Speech and their own experiences to address topics such as how to promote sustainability, whether sustainable growth will come from domestic or export markets, investments required for successful value chains, and the role of SMAEs.

Speakers to include:

- Mr. André Dellevoet, Executive Manager, Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund, Nairobi

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13.00 – 14.30	Lunch and networking opportunities
14.30 – 16.00	Breakout Sessions Round One (1)
16.00 – 16.30	Coffee Break and Exhibition
16.30 – 18.00	Breakout Sessions Round One (2)
19.00 – 20.30	Welcome Cocktail Party, live music and Awards Presentation

November 7th

09.00 – 11.00	Plenary: Session Two. “Involving smallholders in modern value chains”. The panel will include speakers from the private sector, farmer organisations and others and will consider how to ensure sustainable inclusion of smallholders in commercial value chains and ways of “scaling up”. Examples of successful inclusion will be presented. Moderator: Dr. Jim Woodhill, Director, Centre for Development Innovation, Wageningen University
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee Break and Exhibition
11.30 – 13.00	Breakout Sessions Round Two (1)
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch and networking opportunities
14.30 – 16.00	Breakout Sessions Round Two (2)
16.00 – 16.30	Coffee Break and Exhibition
16.30 – 18.00	Breakout sessions Round Three (1)

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09.00 – 10.45	Plenary Session Three. “The role of Governments in facilitating value chain development”. Moderated discussions that will include consideration of enabling environments, Public-Private Partnerships and training in support of value chains.
10.45 – 11.15	Coffee Break and Exhibition
11.15 – 12.45	Breakout sessions Round Three (2)
12.45 – 14.00	Lunch and networking
14.00 – 15.30	Breakout sessions Round Four (regional groupings)

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15.30 – 16.00	Coffee break and exhibition
16.00 - 17.15	Plenary Session Four. “Making the Connection”. Moderated Plenary discussion on actions required to promote value chains for smallholder transformation, drawing on discussions during the plenary and breakout sessions.
17.15 – 17.45	Official Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michael Hailu, Director CTA
18.00 – 19.00	Press conference
<u>November 9th</u>	
08.00 – 18.00	Optional field trips