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Food Security Workshop
8th July 2013, Sydney



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Purpose of the workshop:

The purpose of the workshop is to identify points of convergence among the members of AAUN and identify joint projects for taking strong partnerships forward.

In this session we will get to know each other and explore:

- Our institutional focus on food security,
- Institutional capacity
- Existing partnerships
- National food security challenges and research priorities
- Areas of common interest, capacity and potential for collaborative projects
- Opportunities for quick wins and long-term programmes with leverage.

Programme

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- 11:00 Word of Welcome & quick round of introductions
- 11:15 Introduction: Australia's food security research priorities
- 11:30 Introduction: Africa's food security research priorities
- 11:45 Introduction: RUFORUM's food security research priorities
- 12:00 Summary of Entebbe AAUN-RUFORUM meeting outcomes/priorities for food security research
- 12:15 Lunch
- 13:15 Institutional mapping – participatory exercise to quickly identify convergence and opportunities
- 14:15 Consensus on priority project areas and team consolidation
- 14:45 Teams work on way forward – next steps
- 15:15 Finalisation of report-back to plenary
- 15:30 Close and break

Instructions

1. Introductions and what is your institution doing in food security? 10 mins
2. Brainstorm top priorities for your country (15 mins)
3. Consensus on 5 priority project areas and team consolidation (30 mins)
4. Report back & identify 3 priorities & teams (2:30pm)
5. Teams work on way forward – next steps
6. Finalisation of report-back to plenary

Common

1. Responding to climate change and variability Peter Johnston (UCT) & Janet (Curtin) & Charles Jumbe (LUANAR-Malawi)
2. Value chain development/management including post harvest management – Sharma (Murdoch) & Casper (UP) & Amin Mugeru (UWA) & Victor (Ibadan)
3. More nutritious and safe foods for health and well-being (Eric) Uni Nairobi & Robyn Alders (Sydney) Ahmed (Melbourne) & John (Makerere)

Cross cutting:

1. Relevant/appropriate technology development & adoption using participatory approaches (socio-economics)
2. Inclusive development (incl. gender and youth)
3. Trans-disciplinary approach