

takes effect from November 1, 2019.



[ASARECA kicks off implementation of CAADP-XP4 project targeting climate change mitigation:](#) ASARECA started off the implementation of the Development Smart Innovation through Research in Agriculture (DeSIRA) project, supported by a grant from the European Commission (EC). The project also known as CAADP-XP4 is designed to promote interventions in climate smart agriculture by improving the capacity of implementing partners to deliver quality scientific outputs.



[ASARECA in talks with Center for Global Development on Biotechnology Research and Development:](#) With most countries in Africa contemplating the risks and benefits biotech in agricultural research and development, ASARECA held discussions with a visiting Fellow from the Center for Global Development, Gyude Moore, on opportunities of biotechnology.



[ASARECA salutes East African Community on 20th Anniversary:](#) The East African Community (EAC) celebrated 20 years since the regional bloc was re-established. Recognizing the benefits of the EAC to the citizens of the region, we joined our partners in congratulating the leadership of the EAC Secretariat and the Presidents of the member States upon continued efforts to promote collaboration.



[Africa mourns the death of AR4D guru, Dr. Jean Ndikumana:](#) On a sad note, we regret to inform you of the untimely death of our colleague, Dr. Jean Ndikumana, who passed away on Thursday December 5, 2019 in Nairobi, Kenya. His remains were buried at his home in Burundi on Friday December 13th.

Merry Xmas

[ASARECA work on Biotechnology:](#) ASARECA has done a tremendous amount of work on Agro-Biotechnology for Food and

Nutrition Security in Eastern and Central Africa. We continue to position the organisation to provide leadership to the Governments to make conscious decisions in the field of biotechnology research and biosafety regulation



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