



Taking stock of the CAADP-XP4 Programme Achievements

Dear AR4D colleagues,

The five consortium members constituting the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP ex-Pillar IV) Programme can proudly assert that we are on track in implementing the unique initiative aimed at enabling agricultural research and innovation, and Extension services to contribute effectively to food and nutrition security, economic development and climate mitigation in Africa. We held a meeting from January 31 to February 5, 2022 in Nairobi, Kenya among consortium partners ASARECA, CCARDESSA and CORAF, FARA and AFAAS, where we posted a 50% percent success rate just mid-way the Programme, which is expected to end in December 2023. During the meeting, our development partner,



IFAD, which is managing the Programme, asserted with confidence that ASARECA, AFAAS, FARA, CCARDESSA, and CORAF are by far the most formidable institutions needed in the attainment of the African Agriculture vision. We pledge to continue in that direction.

During that meeting, ASARECA assumed leadership of the Programme, in line with a rotational arrangement agreed upon by the consortium partners. According to the arrangement, a consortium institution chairs the Advisory and the Technical Committees of the Programme for a period of one year and hands over to the co-chair institution in the subsequent year. ASARECA has been co-chair to the African Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services (AFAAS).

We welcome you to read this updates in this edition of our newsletter.

Dr. Enock Warinda
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News Highlights



Despite the ravaging effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic, ASARECA and partners have continued to implement the CAADP-XP4 Programme. A recent progress review meeting shows that we are on course

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towards delivery of Programme outputs. Read full story **HERE**

Given that nine of the ASARECA 14 member countries are part of the Nile Riparian states, ASARECA and the Nile Basin Discourse (NBD) have reviewed their thematic areas and identified areas of possible collaboration. They specifically isolated the water and food nexus, which entails water, energy and food and nutrition security as an area of mutual interest. Read full story HERE



Africa has the youngest population in the world, and it is growing fast. By 2055, the continent's youth population (aged 15-24), is expected to be more than double the 2015 total of 226 million. Yet the continent remains inhospitable politically, economically, and socially to young people. This stark reality was sounded as a reminder to African Governments during the ongoing Africa-Wide Agriculture Extension Week. Read full story HERE



The Nile Basin Initiative (NBI) and ASARECA held ice-breaking talks to explore areas of mutual interest and collaboration. ASARECA Interim Executive Director, Dr. Enock Warinda, and the NBI Executive Director Eng. Sylvester Matemu, agreed that both institutions deal with efficient use of similar resources, especially soil and water to make a change in the livelihoods of African citizens. *Read full story* HERE



Uganda's 2nd Deputy Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. General Moses Ali, said effective agricultural extension systems should have initiatives that are aimed at addressing the disproportionate service delivery especially to the women and youth whose livelihoods are worst hit in times of severe shocks. *Read full story* **HERE**







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