

2017 GACSA ANNUAL FORUM – DAY1

Morning and Afternoon
FAO HQ, Rome (Italy)

Tuesday 12 December
Green Room (A122)

Plenary sessions

09.00-09.20 WELCOME ADDRESS

- **Maria Helena Semedo** - FAO's Deputy Director-General, Climate and Natural Resources
- **Rene Castro** - FAO's Assistant-Director General, Climate, Biodiversity, Land and Water
- **Clayton Campanhola** - Leader of FAO's Strategic Program 2 Making agriculture, forestry and fisheries more productive and sustainable

09.20-09.40 SETTING THE SCENE

- **Martin Bwalya** - Head of the Programme Development Division in the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency
- **Mi Nguyen** - Deputy Permanent Representative of Canada to the FAO

09.40-11.00 PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

Moderator: *Ernie Shea, President, Solutions from the Land and Chair GACSA Member Engagement Team*

The panel will spotlight innovative ways to collaborate and share knowledge and will highlight and examine partnerships amongst varied entities which can be replicated to yield tangible climate-smart results.

- **Innovative Farmer to Farmer Extension Operations in India** by **V.V.Sadamate**, Agriculture/Extension Specialist/Member, National Council for Climate Change Sustainable Development and Public Leadership
- **Catalysing Climate Smart Agriculture Research Speaker** by **Evan Girvetz**, Senior Scientist, International Center for Tropical Agriculture
- **Mobilizing Youth Awareness & Participation** by **Ntiokam Divine** Founder and Managing Director - Climate Smart Agriculture Youth Network
- **Business partners- Leading by Example** by **Bernhard Mauritz Stormyr**, YARA Director, Head of Sustainability Management Strategy and Business Development
- **The Role of Subnational Governments in Driving CSA Adoption** by **Simona Caselli**, Regional Minister for Agriculture, Hunting and Fishing of Emilia-Romagna Region

COFFEE BREAK (Ground floor-A building)

11.30-13.00 ENSURING ENABLING ENVIRONMENTS FOR SCALING UP CSA GLOBALLY

Moderator: *Mark Manis, Senior Policy Advisor U.S. Department of Agriculture*

The panel will introduce a new framework to assess the Enabling Environment for CSA, developed by the Enabling Environment Action Group. The framework provides a mechanism to assess policies, legal frameworks, and financial mechanisms across sectors and stakeholder groups, and helps identify gaps and areas for action.

- **Introduction of the Enabling Environment Framework** by **Allison Chatrchyan**, Director, Cornell Institute for Climate Smart Solutions
- **Case Study: Focus on Farmers: CSA options for food systems in Kenya** by **Paulina Bizzotto Molina**, Policy Officer in the Sustainable Food Systems team of European Centre for Development Policy Management
- **Case Study: Focus on Research Informing Policy: Lessons on bridging the science-policy divide for climate change action in developing countries through CCAFS policy engagement** by **Laura Cramer**, Science Officer for the Flagship on Priorities and Policies for CSA at CCFAS
- **Case Study: Focus on Government Policies: California's CSA Policy Enabling Environment** by **Josette Lewis**, Associate Vice President for Sustainable Agriculture at the Environmental Defense Fund

- **Case Study: Focus on Government Agencies and Links to International Organizations: Italian synergies and innovations for scaling-up CSA** by **Germana Borsetta**, FAO Consultant in Agricultural Biotechnologies

NETWORKING LUNCH (8th floor – C building - Blue Bar & Restaurant)

14.00-15.30 CSA: SOLUTIONS AT THE INTERFACE BETWEEN KNOWLEDGE AND IMPLEMENTATION

Moderator: *Emmanuel Torquebiau, CIRAD Climate Change Correspondent*

This session presents innovative CSA approaches as identified by members of the Knowledge Action Group. Focus is on solutions-oriented knowledge, showing how the added-value of CSA can strongly modify farming practices.

- **Strengthening Rural Advisory Services (RAS) to foster farmers' transition to CSA, and Review of Successful Index-based Insurance Programs** by **Bianca Dendena**, FAO/CCFAS
- **Progress at the Interface of Climate, Nutrition, and Gender mainstreaming** by **Dhanush Dinesh**, Global Policy Engagement Manager at CCAFS
- **Cornell's Climate Smart Farming Program: Resources, Tools and Extension Support for Farmers in the Northeastern United States** by **Danielle Eiseman**, Director, **Cornell University**
- **Impacts Explorer: Sharing Regional Integrated CSA Assessments with stakeholders in Africa and South Asia** by **Carolyn Mutter**, Agricultural model Intercomparison and Improvement Project (AgMIP)
- **Soil Carbon as a Powerful CSA Wedge** **Emmanuel Torquebiau**, CIRAD Climate Change Correspondent
- **Metrics for CSA: Outcomes of the GACSA June 2017 Workshop** by **Matthew Reddy**, Director of CSA, World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)
- **Compendium on Irrigation for CSA** by **Julian Schnetzer**, FAO Natural Resources Officer
- **IFPRI and AgMIP Coordinated Global and Regional Assessments** by **Alex de Pinto**, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
- **Promoting CSA Practices: From farm to landscape within the framework of the Central American CSA Strategy** by **Leida Mercado**, The Tropical Agricultural Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE) Leader of the Research Program in Economics and Environment for Development

COFFEE BREAK (Ground floor-A building-)

16.00-17.30 GACSA INVESTMENT ACTION GROUP REPORTING

Moderator: *Matthew Reddy, Director of CSA, World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)*

The session will canvass CSA experts across multiple disciplines and geographies on their respective CSA investment activities to help determine a suite of action agenda points for the IAG to take forward in 2018-2020.

- **Pan Pan** - Deputy Director, Sustainable Land Use; Flagship Manager, CSA – Climate-KIC
- **Torben Nilsson** - Senior Global Engagement Specialist International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- **Martin Bwalya** - Head of the Programme Development Division in the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency
- **Dhanush Dinesh** - Global Policy Engagement Manager at CCFAS
- **A.G. Kawamura** - Former Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture and Co-Chair Solutions from the Land (SfL)
- **Marieta Sakalian** - UNEP's Senior Programme Management/Liaison Officer (CGIAR/FAO), Biodiversity
- **Mark Manis** - Senior Policy Advisor, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- **Varun Vats** - Senior Manager, Public Policy & Partnerships, Syngenta