



**Regional workshop
On
Join Sector Review, enhancing the implementation of NAIPs/NAFSIPs through alignment to the
Sustaining CAADP Momentum Results Framework (SCM-RF) for accelerated implementation in
ECOWAS Member States**

**Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire,
27th – 30th July, 2015,**

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INTRODUCTION

1. The regional inception workshop for Joint Sector Review and the enhancement of the implementation of National Agricultural Investment Plans (NAIPs/NAFSIPs) and their Monitoring and Evaluation Systems in ECOWAS Member States co-funded by ECOWAS-NEPAD was held from 27 to 30 July 2015 in Abidjan, Republic of Cote D'Ivoire.
2. The following regional, international and Civil Society Organisations and or agencies were represented:
 - ARAA/ECOWAS
 - CILSS
 - COFENABVI
 - CORAF / WECARD
 - CosinusConseils
 - ECOWAS Commission
 - Hubrural
 - NEPAD
 - PASANAO
 - RECAO
 - ReSAKSS
 - USAID
 - WAWA/AFAO
3. The following member states were represented:
 - Benin
 - Burkina Faso
 - Cape Verde
 - Cote d'Ivoire
 - The Gambia
 - Ghana
 - Guinea
 - Liberia
 - Mali
 - Niger
 - Senegal
 - Sierra Leone
 - Togo
4. The ECOWAS ECOWAP Monitoring & Evaluation Programme Officer, Mrs. Fatmata SEIWOH, on behalf of the ECOWAS President, Kadre Desire OUEDRAGO, the ECOWAS Commissioner for Agriculture, Environment and Water Resources and Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, welcomed the participants to the workshop and expressed her gratitude to Cote D'Ivoire for hosting the event. She emphasized that, there must be a solid M&E system as well

as the use of evidence based approaches in implementing policies, plans and programs in the Agriculture sector in order to ensure achievement of desired results that would benefit the population of the region. Therefore all stakeholders should ensure a steady progress in their various contributions in building a solid agriculture sector.

5. NEPAD Representative, Professor Hamidou Bolyin his statement stressed the importance of Agriculture at the African Union level over the past 10 years. Following the last summit held in Malabo, Republic of Equatorial Guinea in June 2014, and the ECOWAS Heads of States adopted a set of declarations and decisions in the context of the CAADP results framework. He noted that with the CAADP Results Framework, Africa is setting priorities and determining what to continue, what to abandon and what to start doing – with a focus on results and impacts. He later mentioned the dynamism of ECOWAS as a Regional Economic Community and the coordination role which should focus on finding innovative solutions in assisting the Member States in the implementation of the second phase of the CAADP in order to improve the well-being of the population.
6. Prior to the opening of the workshop, the representative of the Minister of Agriculture of Cote d'Ivoire, Mr Bernard K. COMOE in his speech, welcomed the participants, and stressed the importance of the Agriculture sector in the development process for the next 10 years. As part of the NAIP process, Cote d'Ivoire reached the threshold of 1,000 billion F CFA in 2015 after 03 years of implementation. However some challenges still need to be addressed, which are the 10% budget commitment, the improvement of food quality and the mechanization of the agricultural sector among others. In conclusion, Mr COMOE appealed that the meeting should aim at improving the well-being of the population through the inclusion of the annual agriculture growth rate of 6% and the ownership of the various tools for the definition of indicators and data analysis and quality.
7. The agenda and the following objectives of the workshop were presented and adopted by participants:
 - i. Bring all participants to the same page on the Joint Sector Review processes as a component of Mutual Accountability – with emphasis on the Regional JSR
 - ii. Determine the actual status and trends in the implementation of CAADP/NAIP/RAIP and their M&E systems including challenges, opportunities and objectively assess the major initiatives the countries are undertaking to meet the stipulated goals and targets identified in their respective CAADP compacts and investment plans. Specific objectives of this include:
 - Achievements in NAIP & M&E systems
 - Establishing the extent of capacity reform taking place in relation to existence of M&E tools and systems, mutual accountability platforms and mechanisms (e.g. MAFAP; JSR; Country SAKSS, etc.);
 - Assessing the effectiveness of established local capacity and systems for coordinating and facilitating CAADP implementation in the countries (CAADP Country teams, Agriculture Sector Working groups; other multi-stakeholder/multi-sectoral dialogue platforms; inter-ministerial coordination)
 - Envisaging how the existing country efforts can be strengthened
 - iii. Orientate participants on Sustaining CAADP Momentum-Results Framework- Goals, targets; and implications for domestication, internalization and operationalization to

accelerate implementation; way forward as a region (Malabo declaration, CAADP 2015-2025 Framework, 2015-2025 Indicators).

- iv. Consolidate results to contribute to ECOWAP + 10 and support the establishment of the next generation of RAIP and NAIPs

ISSUES DISCUSSED AT WORKSHOP

A. JOINT SECTOR REVIEW

B. COUNTRIES PROGRESS REPORTS

C. OVERVIEW OF RAIP IMPLEMENTATION

D. MALABO DECLARATION AND THE NEW CAADP RESULTS FRAMEWORK

E. 2015 – 2025 CAADP/REGIONAL SET OF INDICATORS

F. WORLD BANK –CHILD TRUST FUND SUPPORT TO MEMBER STATES AND ECOWAS

G. REPORTING FLOW (CONTINENTAL-REGIONAL)

Road Map/Next Steps

No.	Action	Deadline
ECOWAS		
1	To involve different stakeholders at all stages during the implementation of the JSR in order to facilitate ownership of the process.	August 2015 onwards
2	To assist, support and guide countries on a case by case basis in the implementation of their NAIPs and other processes	August 2015 onwards
3	To re-establish a regional M&E technical working group with clearly defined ToR	August 2015
4	To organize the first meeting of the regional M&E technical working group	August 2015
5	To play an active role in the implementation of NAIPs with renewed commitment to improve communication at national level.	August 2015 onwards
6	To provide civil society with more resources to implement activities in the field so that M&E can be effective and efficient.	By January 2016
7	To share the TOR for ECOWAP @ 10 (countries involvement)	August 2015
Member states		
8	To include the JSR into their annual work plans for inclusion into annual budgets.	December 2015
9	To inform the general population about the JSR process and its results	August onwards
10	To involve the CAADP Country teams/SC in the implementation of the JSR	August onwards
11	Member States should update stakeholders on the status of implementation of their NAIPs.	August onwards
12	To agree on a reasonable amount of indicators for which data can be realistically generated (in collaboration with ECOWAS)	Post November 2015 Conference (December 2015)
13	To review the indicators to make them SMART so that there may not be gaps in the data collection process (in collaboration with ECOWAS)	Post November 2015 Conference (December 2015)
NEPAD		
14	To work closely with ECOWAS in implementing the Malabo Declaration and Results Framework	August onwards
15	To define the TOR for the NAIP review and share with the ECOWAS/MS	August 2015

No.	Action	Responsible	In Collaboration With	Deadline
1	Send generic ToR for recruitment of Consultants to Member States for strengthening their M&E systems as well as specifications for ICT materials	ECOWAS		30 th July, 2015
2	To review ToR and specifications based on country needs and send to ECOWAS for clearance	MS		7 th August 2015
3	To finalise ToR and ICT specifications and send to Member States	ECOWAS		21 st August, 2015
4	To send CVs for consultants and proforma invoices for ICT materials to ECOWAS for selection	MS		31 st August 2015
5	ECOWAS to send final selection of Consultants and suppliers for ICT materials to Member States	ECOWAS		15 th September, 2015
6	Member States award contracts to consultants and suppliers	MS		15 th October 2015
7	Work completed by Consultant	Consultant	MS	31 st October 2015
8	Confirm work done by Consultants	MS		15 th November 2015
9	Payment of Consultants	ECOWAS	MS	30 th November 2015