

Session Brief

SIA Side Event: Developing the Implementation Modalities for the Soil Initiative for Africa and AFSH Action Plan

Date: 6th June 2023, 14:00 -17:45 SAST

Format: Hybrid

Venue: ICC-NAIROBI

Zoom Link: https://faraafrica.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMsdO2hqTouH9fKQLBiz34R06is_IzLcELg

Synopsis

The Soil Initiative for Africa (SIA) is the Africa Union Commission's long-term framework to systematically improve the health and productivity of Africa's soil. The SIA framework aims to guide action, activities, policies, and programs at the farm-, landscape-, and governance levels to ensure sustainable use and management of African soils for agricultural productivity, the provision of ecological services, and sustainable livelihoods. The implementation of the SIA Framework (through the AFSH Action Plan) will take place through a wide variety of modalities (investments, projects, programs, policies, services). Given the multitude of actors and activities, to make the best use of the SIA, it is imperative to establish a modality for the coordination of the various elements of the SIA.

The objective of the side event is to consult with stakeholders about the coordination of the implementation mechanism.

Program

Sr	Time	Activity	Facilitator
A	1400	Opening Thoughts	
	-	Yemi Akinbamijo (FARA)	
	1410	Nalishebo Meebelo (ReNAPRI) Godfrey Bahigwa (AUC)	
	1410	Key Presentations	
	-	Implementation of SIA with Africa Fertilizer & Soil Health Action Plan – Liesl Wiese-Rozanov	
	1500	Coordination of Africa Implementation of SIA/ AFSH-AP Coordination of External partner's Support	
B	1500	High-level Panel Discussion:	Wole Fatunbi
	-	Theme: <i>Key issues for consideration in developing veritable implementation strategies for SIA & AFSH-AP</i>	
	1545	Panelist - Distinguished Prof Rattan Lal - Prof. Richard Mkandawire (AAP) - Prof JJ Mbonigaba (AGRA) - Dr. Simeon Ehui (WB) - Dr. Michael Sudarkasa (AFAP)	
C	1545	Plenary Discussion:	Manyewu Mutamba
	-	Topic: Coordination mechanism for Implementation of SIA and AFSH-AP - Chris Daudu (ABU-Zaria) ; Anne Muriuki (AfGSP / KALRO) ; Rachid Moussadek (GSP-NENA)- - Christian Witt (BMGF)	
D	1645	Identifying country priorities for post-Summit implementation - Liesl Wiese-Rozanov	Wole Fatunbi
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	1715		

Speakers



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