

## Task Force CAADP Nutrition Teleconference Meeting

Held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of March 2014

At 1500 PM South Africa Time

### In attendance:

- Kefilwe Moalosi, Nutrition Officer, NEPAD / Johannesburg
- Melanie Thurber, Nutrition Advisor, USAID / Washington
- Johanna Jelensperger, Food Security and Nutrition Programm Officer, FAO / Rome
- Liz Ogutu, ACIAR
- Joyce Kinabo, Professor Human Nutrition, Tanzania
- Hugh Bagnall-Oakeley, Save the Children
- Gregory Hofknecht, Regional Director, Helen Keller International
- Namukolo Covic, Senior Lecturer - Centre of Excellence for Nutrition, North West University
- Nigel Nicholson, EC Nutrition Advisory Service

### Apologies

- Bibi Giyose, Senior Nutrition Officer, NEPAD
- Julia Tagwireyi, Helen Keller International
- Charlotte Dufour, Nutrition Officer, FAO / Rome
- Mohamed AgBendech, Senior Nutrition Officer, FAO / Regional Office for Africa, Accra
- Richemont Seki, Nutrition Consultant, FAO / Regional Office for Africa, Accra
- Pau Blanquer, SUN Secretariat, Geneva

**Chairpersons:** Kefilwe and Johanna

### Agenda

1. **10<sup>TH</sup> CAADP Partnership Platform**
  - a. De-briefing on the results of the CAADP FNS Work Stream and synergies with the follow-up of the CAADP Nutrition Initiative
  - b. Discussion on revision with a nutrition-lens of the CAADP Result Framework
2. **Consolidated Concept Note for the task force and the way forward**
  - a. Agreement on the finalisation of the concept note
  - b. Key elements of the ToR of the task force and operational structure
  - c. Priorities in 2014

3. Update on West Africa, Southern Africa, East and Central Africa Country roadmaps

- a. Agreement on key categories of the shared database
- b. Need to review/refine the roadmaps for some countries
- c. Way of sharing identified request/needs from various countries

4. **AOB**

### Welcome

Kefilwe and Johanna welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that the purpose of the meeting was to make headway on follow-up activities arising from the CAADP PP which included the Task Force Side meeting, Food and Nutrition Security Work stream and the report thereof. Johanna gave a brief presentation on the agenda and pointed out that some work has been done so far with regards to the CAADP Task Force and the agenda was adopted

### Discussions

**1. a) 10<sup>TH</sup> CAADP Partnership Platform**

The 10<sup>th</sup> CAADP PP was held in Durban-South Africa from March 17-21. Johanna presented the outcomes of the CAADP PP emphasising on the discussion on the FNS Work stream. The objectives of the work stream were to discuss 1. Vision for the Food and Nutrition Security Work Stream – what do we need to achieve 5 to 10 years from now? 2. Priority actions; and 3. Indicative targets. In order to do so, after a presentation to set the scene including main challenges and recent efforts to move the Food Security and Nutrition agenda, the participants were subdivided into six working teams, based on groups vulnerable to food insecurity and malnutrition (children, women, female headed households, youth and unemployment, smallholders, pastoralist and agro-pastoralist and peri-urban people), using guiding questions in order to identify contextualised priority interventions. The outcomes are stipulated in the attached FNS Work Stream report (please find attached the FNS Report), which will be revised and synthesized by the CAADP PP organizing team to feed into the Joint Ministers Conference in April/May 2014, and eventually into the Summit of the AU Assembly of Heads of State and Government in June 2014. Even though discussions during the workstream were interesting, it seems that the country results of the CAADP Nutrition Initiative were not sufficiently taken into account and built on to move towards continuous concrete follow-up at country level.

**b) Discussion on revision with a nutrition-lens of the CAADP Result Framework**

It was noted that CAADP Result Framework lacked elements of nutrition and the team in Durban raised it up with the head of CAADP –Mr Martin Bwalya to consider integrating the nutrition aspect. During the teleconference meeting, it was then agreed to review the framework and send comments to Kefilwe and Johanna to consolidate prior submitting to Martin who will share the document with the core team (find attached the CAADP Result Framework). Nigel pointed out that global partnerships and accountability framework is key such as SUN. Namukulo added that nutrition sensitive agriculture

	<p>interventions are also critical indicators that can be incorporated in the framework. Furthermore, Liz mentioned that FARA as a research institute should also be linked to CAADP framework.</p>
<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>Consolidated Concept Note for the task force and the way forward</b></p> <p><b>a) Agreement on the finalisation of the concept note</b></p> <p>Kefilwe and Johanna consolidated the comments received from the team on the background paper /concept note although is still work in progress. The background paper/concept note it has been circulated around since January and we at the stage of finalising it. During the CAADP PP some of the task force convened a meeting mainly to discuss the key objectives of the task force; expectations from countries; regional and sub-regional role for the technical and financial support on the implementation of the CAADP Nutrition Initiative at national, regional and continental level. (reflected in the minutes attached). It was agreed that the concept note will be renamed “roadmap for follow up”.</p> <p><b>b) Key elements of the ToR of the task force an operational structure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The team agreed to include all the RECs in the task force working group.</li> <li>- It was also agreed that the Task force should be organised and categorised into three sub-regions to leverage regional opportunities for follow-up led by the RECS with the support from NEPAD and development partners.</li> <li>- HKI supported the idea that sub regional coordination would be more manageable since this was also the logic of the initiative so far</li> <li>- These sub-groups should be built on the existing networks which have been mobilized throughout the initiative. These sub-groups should be embedded in existing mechanisms (e.g. FSN Working group in West Africa), led by RECs, and should continue working through REACH/SUN and FAO focal points at country level to further facilitate the completion of the country level plans and other issues as they arise. The follow-up will also be closer to where actions take place. Save the Children concurred with HKI’s inputs and add that they also have regional offices that can also be included. In addition, Liz mentioned that regional research partners such as CCARDESA, CORAF and ASARECA could be included in the sub-regional task force team. Furthermore, Johanna mentioned that there is an initiative in West Africa called ECOWAS Zero Hunger Initiative that can also elevate this process; for Southern Africa, the Regional Working Group For Food and Nutrition Security was also mentioned. The meeting agreed that different regional groups can be utilised to harness the linkages on nutrition sensitive agriculture and agricultural policies.</li> <li>- It was also agreed that Terms of Reference would be prepared for the different sub-regional groups.</li> <li>- ToR for the continental group should be also prepared. This group would mainly have the functions of (i) strengthening the network / partnerships and synergies with other initiatives (ii) sharing knowledge and opportunities for capacity development in mainstreaming nutrition in agriculture among the network; (iii) supporting advocacy; (iv) mobilizing resources for country capacity development activities; (v) conducting analysis/research; (vi) supporting overall M&amp;E of the initiative.</li> </ul>

3.	<p><b>Update on West Africa, Southern Africa, East and Central Africa Country roadmaps</b></p> <p><b>a)Agreement on key categories of the shared database</b> Not discussed.</p> <p><b>b)Need to review/refine the roadmaps for some countries</b> It was discussed and suggested to have a review of the roadmaps for some countries (this could be conducted by a consultant under the guidance of the task team). At the same time it was acknowledge by the team that these roadmaps are living documents and that review and discussion around the key priority interventions to be included in Agriculture Investment Plans should happen at country level and on a regular basis. More than a review of roadmaps, real needs are related to capacities at country level hence the need to strengthen efforts for mobilizing resources.</p> <p><b>c)Ways of sharing identified request/needs from various countries</b> The roadmaps will be shared through different information knowledge platforms such as NEPAD website, FAO, dropbox and so forth – so that countries can access other country roadmaps and learn some best nutrition and food security best practices. Country case studies could be used as lessons learnt and for knowledge sharing. The SUN country calls to be organized in June may include a topic on nutrition-sensitive agriculture, and this may be an opportunity to re-launch call for needs from various countries to implement their roadmaps.</p>	
	<p><b>Conclusion</b> Johanna and Kefilwe thanked all for attending the teleconference and for their commitment.</p>	
<b>Action Items</b>		
<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
Consolidated comments from the Nutrition Task Force on the CAADP Result Framework	Johanna/Kefilwe/TF	03/04/14
Inclusion of the different comments in the Roadmap for follow-up and circulation of a final version	Johanna/Kefilwe	April 2014
ToR for the continental group	Johanna/Kefilwe	May 2014
Agreement on an action plan / Identification of linkages with other processes and synergies and resources available	TF	Next TC
Preparation of ToR for the different sub-regional groups	Johanna/Kefilwe	May 2014
Dialogue with the RECs and institutionalisation of the different sub-groups	Mohamed/Johanna Mohamed/Kefilwe (to be further discussed)	tbd
Follow-up and collection of finalised roadmaps	Kefilwe/Richemont	On-going
Organisation of a survey among CAADP focal points in SUN countries	Johanna/Kefilwe/Richemont	May 2014
Organisation of SUN calls around nutrition-sensitive agriculture	Johanna/Kefilwe/Pau	
<p>Meeting adjourned at 1700 hours South African Time. Next meeting date: To Be Confirmed. Kefilwe to send out the discussion points.</p>		