



# Africa Food Safety Workshop 2021

**4 August 2021 | 11:30 - 16:30**

Virtual workshop to promote standards, reliable testing and international cooperation for better public health and trade.



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# PROGRAMME

<b>Session 1</b> <b>11:30 - 12:15</b>	<b>Opening and Introduction</b>	
11:30	NMISA warm-up for AFSW 2022, South Africa Johannesburg - Video	
12:00 - 12:15	Welcome remarks and introduction to event format  Introduction of Key speaker from AUC	Mr Ndwakhulu Mukhufhi, NMISA (South Africa)  Dr James Sasanya, FAO – IAEA (Austria)
<b>Session 2</b> <b>12:15 - 12:35</b>	Setting the scene for food safety controls within the AfCTFA: Political support for food safety control systems for public health and trade within the AfCTFA	Mr Godfrey Bahiigwa, Director of the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment, African Union Commission (Ethiopia)
15 min	Q&A; General Discussion	All
<b>Session 3</b> <b>12:50 - 14:00</b>	<b>Food Safety Regulatory Framework SPS measures in the framework; Standards and guidelines in AfCTFA</b>	
12:50 - 13:20	Strengthening domestic SPS regulatory systems & enforcement  Meeting SPS Requirements; Implementation of corrective measures (e.g. by regulatory officials)	Ms Diana Akullo, Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, African Union Commission (Ethiopia)  Dr Chinyere Ikechukwu-Eneh, Department of Veterinary & Pest Control Services, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (Nigeria)
13:20 - 13:35	How to best align National and Regional Codex efforts to AfCTFA	Mr Hakim Mufumbiro, Uganda National Bureau of Standards CODEX Coordinating Committee for Africa Chair (Uganda)

13:35 - 14:00	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION:</b> Regional efforts in contributing to standards/MRL setting including the pharmaceutical and Agro industry (veterinary drugs and pesticides products) in the face of AfCFTA	<b>PANEL MEMBERS:</b> <b>Moderators:</b> Dr Mabel Aworh, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (Nigeria); Dr Courage Saba, University for Development Studies, Dept of Microbiology, Faculty of Biosciences (Ghana)  <b>Panellists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Sami Darkaoui, ONSSA (Morocco)</li> <li>• Prof Eric Mitema, University of Nairobi (Kenya)</li> <li>• Mr Yannick Herve Etabi Bikie, Ministère des Mines de l'Industrie et du Développement Technologique (Cameroon)</li> <li>• Dr Ngaruiya Paul Njuguna, Pest Control Products Board (Kenya)</li> <li>• Mr Ephraim Moruke, DALRRD (South Africa)</li> </ul>
14:00 - 14:10	10 min interval	
<b>Session 4</b> 14:10 - 16:15	Intra-regional and extra regional trade challenges and sub-regional experiences: Lessons for AfCFTA	
14:10 - 14:40	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION:</b> <i>Trade challenges in the AfCFTA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trade challenges: Standards, rejections etc.</li> <li>• Fitting food safety control systems into the African Continental Free Trade Agreement arrangements and reducing trade rejections</li> </ul>	<b>PANEL MEMBERS:</b> <b>Moderators:</b> Dr James Sasanya, Joint FAO/IAEA Centre of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture (Austria) and Dr Maria Fernandes-Whaley, National Metrology Institute of South Africa, NMISA (South Africa)

	RECS: SADC, UEMOA, EAC Experiences	<b>Panellists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Willy Muyila, Malawi Bureau of Standards, MBS (Malawi)</li> <li>• Mrs Belinda Kanchea, Zambia Bureau of Standards (Zambia)</li> <li>• Babacar Beye, ITA (Senegal)</li> <li>• Dr Henry Njapau, National Institute for Scientific and Industrial Research, NISIR (Zambia)</li> <li>• Dr Moussa Doumbia, Union Economique et Monétaire Ouest Africaine (UEMOA)</li> <li>• Dr Henry Rotich, EAC representative, Kenya</li> </ul>
14:40 - 15:30	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION:</b> <b><i>Food Safety Labs in the AfCFTA</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reliable testing lab services</li> </ul> <p>Non-technical Role players impacting Testing Laboratories; Customs including clearance of imports, and laboratory supplies.</p>	<b>PANEL MEMBERS:</b> <b>Moderators:</b> Dr James Sasanya, Joint FAO/IAEA Centre of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture (Austria) and Dr Maria Fernandes-Whaley, National Metrology Institute of South Africa, NMISA (South Africa)  <b>Panellists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Paul Osei-Fosu, Head: Food and Agriculture Department, Ghana Standards Authority (Ghana)</li> <li>• Dr Dharmarai Naicker, SGS (South Africa)</li> <li>• Mr Chabi Sika, Laboratoire Central de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments, LCSSA (Benin)</li> <li>• Dr Abafe Ovokeroye, ARC-OVR (South Africa)</li> <li>• Dr Shalini Amee Neelia, Food Technology Laboratory, FTL (Mauritius)</li> <li>• Mr Raymond Murenzi, Rwanda Standards Board, RSB (Rwanda)</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr Lyndon Martin, HAZMAT Global Services (South Africa)</li> </ul>
15:30 - 16:10	Public-Private partnerships & making the African market more attractive to the food industry – manufactures (including equipment and material suppliers/vendors)	<p>Dr Chris Muyunda, Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme, CAADP (Zambia)</p> <p>Prof Pieter Gouws, Centre for Food Safety, University of Stellenbosch (South Africa)</p> <p>Ms Matlou Setati, South African Consumer Goods Council, Food Safety initiative (South Africa)</p>
16:10 - 16:25	Implementation of the African Food Safety Index and biennial review of food safety control based on set indicators	Ms Wezi Chunga-Sambo, The Partnership for Aflatoxin Control in Africa (PACA), African Union Commission (Ethiopia)
<b>16:25 - 16:40</b>	<b>Wrap-up and looking ahead to AFSW 2022</b>	<b>NMISA CEO &amp; FAO-IAEA</b>

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