

N4G/JICA Technical Side Event  
**Advancing Multi-Sectoral Approach for Nutrition  
-Experiences of IFNA and its Future-**

**Date** : December 1 2021, 18:00 – 20:00 (JST)

**Venue** : Online (Webinar)

**Organizer**: JICA

**Expected participants** : Government officials of developing countries, development partners such as international organizations, and other stakeholders, especially in the field of nutrition and agriculture (including a member of the press, etc.)

### 1. Objectives

- To introduce the concept of IFNA and share its achievement and provide knowledge and perspectives that are necessary for government officials and other stakeholders in promoting nutrition improvement in developing countries, especially in their rural areas.
- To share the experiences of IFNA-related activities in the field and discuss the challenges and solutions to promote effective multi-sectoral approach for nutrition in the future (such as Nutrition-sensitive Agriculture and School Feeding).

### 2. Agenda

Simultaneous interpretation (English, French, Japanese) will be available.

18:00-18:05

#### **Opening remarks by AUDA-NEPAD**

The event will be opened by Ms. Fati N'zi-Hassane, Head of Human Capital and Institutional Development of AUDA-NEPAD, with a short speech to outline the N4G, IFNA, the side event as well as to put forward the objectives of the event. After the speech, the MC will introduce the Agenda and the main speakers of the event.

18:05-19:10

#### **PART-I: Introduction of IFNA and multi-sector approach to tackle undernutrition.**

##### **Introduction of IFNA**

- Mr. Ban, IFNA Chief official will give a presentation to outline the concept, past activities, and achievements of IFNA.

##### **Keynote speech (1): IFNA promotion tools**

- Mr. Nakada, Senior Advisor, Economic Development Department, JICA, will present IFNA promotion tools (IFNA Handbook, NFA introduction booklet and application)

##### **Keynote speech (2): Application of IFNA to Home Grown School Feeding**

- Ms. Kefilwe Moalosi, Senior Nutrition Officer, Human Capital and Institutions Development Programme, AUDA-NEPAD will be invited to present potential application of IFNA for Home Grown

School Feeding.

**Keynote speech (3): Multi-sectoral approach to improve nutrition**

- Dr. Aulo Gelli, Senior Research Fellow, Poverty, Health and Nutrition Division, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) will present how to promote multi-sectoral approach to improve nutrition.

19:20-19:55

**PART-II: Panel discussions**

\*This panel will be chaired by Mr. Ban, IFNA Chief official.

Panelists (listed in alphabetical order):

- Dr. Celmira da Silva, Executive Secretary, National Food and Nutritional Security Council, Technical Secretariat for Food and Nutritional Security, Mozambique.
- Ms. Fatiha Terki, WFP Country Director for Senegal
- Mr. Jean Claude Musabyimana, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda.
- Mr. Abebe Hailemariam, Nutrition Officer, UNICEF Ethiopia

**Theme 1) Sharing the experiences of IFNA-related activities conducted in each country.**

Four panelists will be invited from multiple countries and sectors to share their experience of IFNA-related efforts, achievements, challenges, lessons learned and expectations for IFNA in the future. Mr. Jean Claude Musabyimana introduces policy level initiatives using NFA in Rwanda, which will be followed by the presentation by Ms. Celmira da Silva on multi-sectoral efforts in the field of nutrition in Mozambique. Next, Mr. Abebe of UNICEF will be invited to share their work and experience of NFA utilization in Ethiopia. Finally, Ms. Fatiha Terki of WFP makes the presentation on the experience of Fill the Nutrient Gap in Senegal. A Q&A session will be held after all the presentations are completed.

**Theme 2) Discussing the challenges and solutions in promoting multi-sectoral approach in each of the sectors and their collaboration.**

- Based on the guiding questions raised by the panel chair, ideas for important things in promoting approaches by the agricultural sector, school feeding or nutrition improvement by the sectors other than agriculture and multi-sectoral collaboration as well as expectations and aspirations for IFNA in the future will be discussed. The panel chair will give a short summary of the discussion.

19:55-20:00

**Closing remarks**

- The event will be closed with the remarks by Mr. Sato, Vice-President of JICA summarizing the discussions and emphasizing the importance of utilizing the knowledge and perspectives obtained at the meeting in IFNA promotion and other nutrition improvement efforts under a longterm vision enhancing food security and nutrition, especially in the prioritized areas.

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