

# How can the food system contribute toward a **Healthy Diet**?

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## Presentation Theme:



**IFNA 2016-2025: Progress and Achievements**

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**Nutrient-focused Food Access Improvement Approach (NFA Approach) and NFA application**

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Economic Development Department, JICA



**Food based dietary guidelines for nutrition improvement**

Dr. Mercy Chikoko

Sub Regional Office for Southern Africa, FAO



**Food Tracking Tool for nutrition key behavior change and multi-sectoral collaboration: Experiences of Project PASAN**

Ms. RAZAFIMAHATRATRA

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National Office of Nutrition, Madagascar



**Improving food choices and consumption behavior using the ADD-IT app**

Dr. MORIMOTO Yasuyuki

The Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT



**KOKO plus to improve access to nutritious food**

Dr. Kennedy Bomfeh

KOKO Plus Foundation LBG



**Moderator**

Mr. SHIMOKAWA Takao

Economic Development Department, JICA



This webinar will introduce diverse initiatives by international organisations, developing country governments and the private sector to achieve healthy diets through agriculture and improved food access. By reframing these initiatives in terms of 3 steps of JICA's proposing NFA\* concept (1.dietary assessment, 2.improved food access 3.better dietary intake), the participants will discuss and examine how food systems can contribute to improved nutrition

\*NFA=Nutrient-focused Food Access Improvement Approach



**Ms. Kefilwe R. Moalosi**

Senior Programme Officer, Nutrition and Food Safety, AUDA-NEPAD

She is a distinguished leader in the realm of nutrition and food safety. With over 20 years of experience, she has become a pivotal figure in advancing nutrition, agriculture, and food security across Africa. Her expertise has been instrumental in the development and execution of key frameworks and strategies, including, AUDA-NEPAD Nutrition and Food Systems Implementation Strategy (2019-2025): she spearheaded this comprehensive strategy, aimed at improving food systems and nutritional outcomes. She has also led initiatives such as the Home-Grown School Feeding Programme, which links local agricultural production with school meals, promoting food security and educational outcomes.



**Mr. NAKADA Shunichi**

Senior Technical Advisor Economic Development Department, JICA

Senior advisor on Agriculture at JICA since 2016. He has been supporting areas including nutrition, food safety/quality management, food value chain. Before JICA, he worked for the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture for over 20 years in various fields including food safety, environment and agriculture, bioenergy, fruit farming promotion, trade policy. He was also dispatched to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), working on long term prospect for bioenergy supply and demand, and to the Philippine Department of Agriculture as a policy advisor.



**Dr. Mercy Chikoko**

Nutrition Officer, Sub Regional Office for Southern Africa, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Ph.D. in Human Nutrition and Masters in Public Health from Oregon State University in USA with over 25 years work experience. She supports 15 SADC countries to ensure that agriculture and the food systems contribute to healthy diets, reduce malnutrition and poverty. Has supported SADC countries develop Food and Nutrition Security Policies, evidenced based Food Based Dietary Guidelines, Food Composition Tables and nutrition surveys. Has supported countries on nutrition sensitive Food systems transformation. Before FAO, she worked with UNICEF in Sudan as a Chief of Field Office and Nutrition Specialist. She also worked with the WHO at the Regional Office for Africa in Congo Brazzaville; OXFAM GB for Southern Africa and in academia with the University of Malawi.



**Ms. RAZAFIMAHATRATRA Fanjanomenjanahary Marie Aimée**

Head of Technical Coordination Unit National Nutrition Office

She is the Head of the Technical Coordination Unit of the Nutrition Sector at the National Office of Nutrition of Madagascar. She coordinates and enhances the implementation of nutrition programs to meet the goals of the National Nutrition Policy and the National Multisectoral Action Plan for Nutrition. She is also a member of the national Task Force for evaluating the N4G 2021 commitments and formulating new ones for the N4G 2025 Summit. Passionate about professional growth, she participated in the KCCP/JICA program in Japan in 2019 to improve maternal and child nutrition. More recently, she is one of the 22 alumni of the African National Leadership Program that she attended in 2024 in South Africa.



**Dr. MORIMOTO Yasuyuki**

Scientist, The Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT / JICA Agriculture and Livestock Expert, IFNuS Project, Kenya

Ph.D. in Agricultural Science, he began his career in 1995 as an ethno-botanist at the National Museums of Kenya. Since 2004, he has worked as a scientist in ethno-botany and genetic diversity at Bioversity International (now the Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT). His research focuses on the reevaluation and sustainable use of local food crop diversity and indigenous knowledge in Africa, addressing critical global challenges such as sustainable food production, nutrition security, climate resilience, and inclusive community development. In 2021, UNESCO endorsed his flagship initiative, Traditional Foodways approach, as a model of Good Safeguarding Practices for Intangible Cultural Heritage, celebrating its innovative methods and significant local and global impact.



**Dr. Kennedy Bomfeh**

Director of Production and Academic Affairs, KOKO Plus Foundation LBG

He is the Director of Projects and Academic Affairs at KOKO Plus Foundation, the operating arm of The Ajinomoto Foundation in Ghana. He holds a PhD in Bioscience Engineering (Food Science) from Ghent University, Belgium, with earlier background in Nutrition and Food Science. Since 2011, he has been involved in the Ghana Nutrition Improvement Project (GNIP) of the Ajinomoto Foundation, playing roles in product development, nutritional efficacy studies and testing of sustainable delivery modules for nutritious foods to improve infant nutrition in low income contexts.



**Mr. SHIMOKAWA Takao**

Director General Economic Development Department, JICA

Started international development career with the former Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund of Japan in 1993, focusing on Japanese Official Development Assistance (ODA) across Southeast Asia, the Pacific Islands and Southern Africa. His work has spanned both operational and managerial roles, emphasizing ODA loans, human resource management, and public relations. On the managerial side, engaged in conducting human resource management and public relations work. Recent roles include serving as the Africa Department's Director on South African countries, the Credit Risk and Environmental Review Department's Director on Credit Risk Analysis, the Southeast Asia Department's Director on Indonesia and Malaysia, the Personnel Department's Director on human resource management, and Chief Representative, JICA USA Office.