

10th Malabo Montpellier Forum Concept note

Nature's Solutions:

Policy Innovations & Opportunities for Africa's Bioeconomy



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About

The Malabo Montpellier Forum meets twice a year and is supported technically by the Malabo Montpellier Panel. The Co-Chairs of the Forum are H.E. Hailemariam Desalegn Boshe, Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia, and Dr. Assia Bensalah Alaoui, Ambassador at Large of His Majesty King Mohamed VI of the Kingdom of Morocco.

The Malabo Montpellier Panel convenes 18 leading experts on food systems transformation and climate change to guide policy choices by African governments to accelerate progress towards economic growth and transformation on the continent. It is a partnership between AKADEMIYA2063, the Center for Development Research at the University of Bonn, and Imperial College London. The Panel works with African governments and civil society to identify areas of progress and positive change across Africa and to assess what successful countries have done differently. It analyzes the most important institutional and policy innovations and program interventions that can be replicated and brought to scale. The affiliated Forum meets twice per year and provides a platform to facilitate dialogue and exchange among high-level decisionmakers using the evidence produced by the Panel and to review progress among African countries towards inclusive economic growth and the goals of the Malabo Declaration.

The theme of the Panel's forthcoming report, which we will launch at this meeting of the Malabo Montpellier Forum on 24 May 2022 is about fostering a sustainable bioeconomy development in Africa and hence closely relates to COP27 and the post UNFSS agenda. The report will include analyses of several African countries demonstrating successes and further opportunities for bioeconomy development on the continent. We believe this report comes at an important time as we prepare for COP27 and governments across the continent mobilize to develop strategies aimed at leveraging the interlinkages between food systems transformation and climate action.

The meeting of the Forum will be held in two parts: a technical part drawing on the findings and recommendations from the Panel's report, and a second part which will be a policy roundtable, composed of senior representatives from African governments, development partners, civil society, and the private sector.

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