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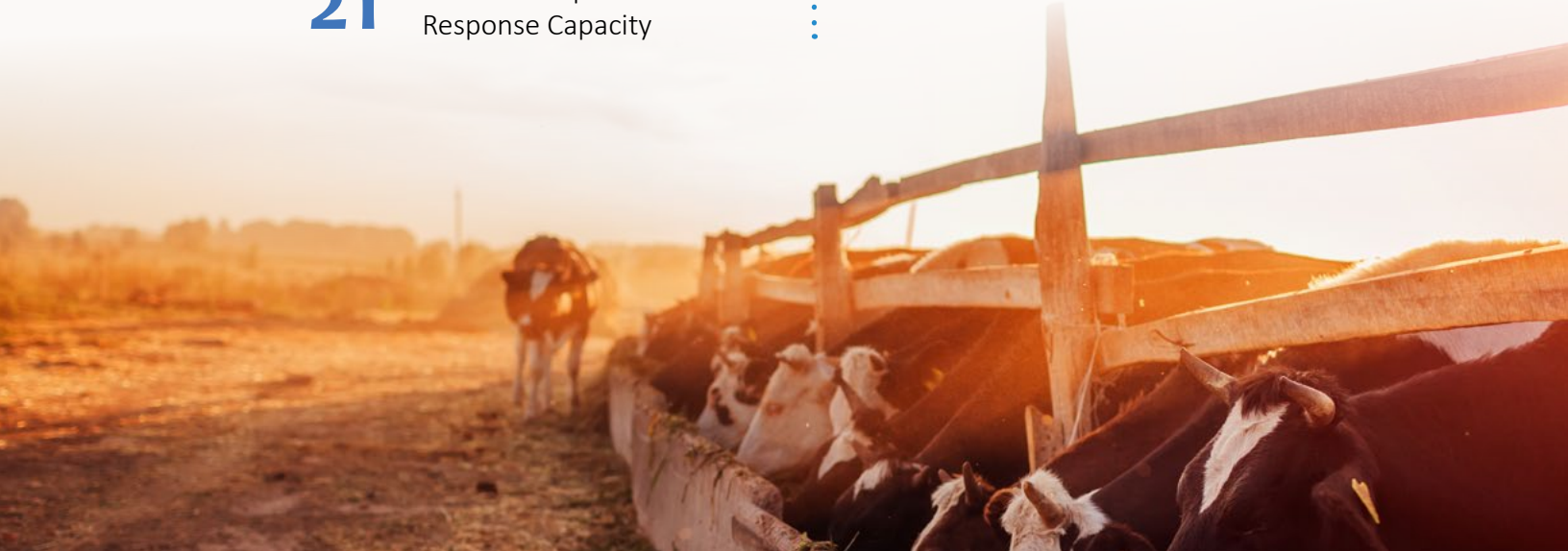
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# Message from the AKADEMIYA2063 Executive Chairperson and Board Chair

Dr. Ousmane  
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**D**ear Partners and friends, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am delighted to present to you the 2022 Annual Report. It gives me great pleasure to share these updates, which capture our evolution, progress, and versatility over the reporting period, a highly productive year for AKADEMIYA2063.

This past year has been particularly challenging for the continent. Yet, the complexities made good fodder for reconfirming our organizational capabilities and have borne testament to our advancement.

The global crises encountered during this reporting period, notably the Russia-Ukraine war, the spill-over effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the climate crisis, continue to serve as a stark reminder of the urgent and consistent need for evidence and data to inform human progress. As evidenced in our [Five-Year Strategy for Transforming African Economies](#), which we launched in October 2021, AKADEMIYA2063 sets out to link knowledge supply to knowledge demand at national, regional, and continental levels to equip implementing actors with the knowledge and guidance to calibrate, target, and achieve the best outcomes with the lowest level of resources. This knowledge-driven approach, the core of our theory of change, will lead to better policies and development outcomes in line with Africa's development agenda.

Recalling our mission to create state-of-the-art technical capacities to support country efforts to achieve the key goals of the African Union's Agenda 2063—The Africa We Want, and our vision, which is an Africa with the expertise we need for the Africa we want, AKADEMIYA2063's activities over this past year have remained consistent with its mission statement.



In 2022, we continued to deliver three longstanding Africa-wide programs supporting evidence-based policy development and the implementation of the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP). They include: the Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System (ReSAKSS), the African Growth and Development Policy (AGRODEP) Modeling Consortium, and the Malabo Montpellier (MaMo) Panel.

AKADEMIYA2063 successfully maintained progress under all of our three core programs: our flagship annual reports, the 2022 Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ReSAKSS), the 2022 Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor (AATM by ReSAKSS and AGRODEP in partnership with the International Food Policy Research Institute), and two Malabo Montpellier Panel reports on Bioeconomy and Climate Finance, were all successfully launched during high-level policy conversations to contribute to continental and global discourse around these topics of strategic importance to Africa.

We continued to sharpen our response capacity to crises, this time tackling the impacts of the Ukraine crisis on African economies. Based on data, analytics, and past crisis patterns, our research analyzes the economic and socio-economic effects of global market disruptions induced by the Russia-Ukraine conflict.

These research findings are published on AKADEMIYA2063's Ukraine Crisis and African Economies open-access portal and discussed during our Ukraine Crisis Webinar series.

AKADEMIYA2063 now boasts 46 staff members, with 22 scientists, including 13 PhD-level senior researchers, and 12 senior managers providing expertise in applied economic research, economic modeling, machine learning, monitoring and evaluation, knowledge management, capacity strengthening, development of interactive data platforms, and program management. Overall, AKADEMIYA2063 staff come from 15 countries.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our dedicated staff for their relentless work to bring our mission to fruition. We recognize our friends and supporters for their unwavering support. Finally, we are grateful to our funding partners, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the African Development Bank (AfDB), the UK's Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), the Global Center on Adaptation (GCA), and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). I wish you a very prosperous and productive 2023.

## Our Vision



The vision of AKADEMIYA2063 is **an Africa with the expertise we need for the Africa we want.** That is an Africa where the available expertise is strong enough and mobilized effectively to meet the continent’s development ambitions.

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## Our Mission

AKADEMIYA2063’s overall mission is to create, across Africa, state-of-the-art technical capacities to support African Union Member States to achieve the key goals of Agenda 2063 of transforming national economies to boost growth and prosperity.



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## Our Goals



The main goal of AKADEMIYA2063 is to help meet the needs of African countries in terms of data, analytics, and mutual learning for the effective implementation of Agenda 2063 and the realization of its outcomes by a critical mass of Member States.

# Our Values



## QUALITY

*Quality research for evidence-based decision-making*

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## ACCOUNTABILITY

*Accountability to Africa's development goals & tracking mechanisms*

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## LEADERSHIP

*Leadership in policy research & capacity-strengthening to support AU Member States in CAADP implementation*


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## PAN-AFRICANISM

*Mobilizing the expertise we need for the Africa we want*

# HIGHLIGHTS OF 2022



**Ukraine Crisis and African Economies**

Ukraine Crisis Portal  
www.akademiy2063.org

**Ukraine Crisis Response:** AKADEMIYA2063 played a leading role in providing data and policy options in response to the Ukraine crisis. The Russia-Ukraine war, like COVID-19 and other previous crises, has tested the resilience and underscored the fragility of Africa's food systems. AKADEMIYA2063 responded swiftly by conducting research to analyze the ramifications of the crisis on African economies. These findings are published under the Ukraine Crisis Brief Series. Hinged upon data, analytics, and past crisis patterns, the series analyzes the economic and socio-economic impacts of global market disruptions induced by the Russia-Ukraine conflict. These research findings are published on AKADEMIYA2063's Ukraine Crisis and African Economies portal. With **16** briefs published in 2022, the research is discussed during the associated Webinar Series.



**Four Flagship Publications:** Research and publications remain at the core of AKADEMIYA2063's knowledge-driven approach. In 2022, we released four flagship reports, namely, the ReSAKSS 2022 Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR) on *Agrifood Processing Strategies for Successful Food Systems Transformation in Africa*; the 2022 *Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor (AATM)*; and two Malabo Montpellier Panel reports – *Nature's Solutions: Policy Innovations and Opportunities for Africa's Bioeconomy*, and *Adapt: Policy innovations to unlock Climate Finance for Resilient Food Systems in Africa*. These reports were launched during high-level policy events with international development partners, policymakers, and researchers.

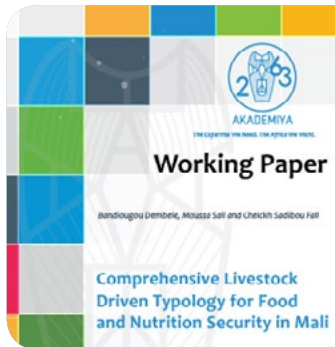




**AKADEMIYA2063 at COP27** was a culmination of our climate action efforts in support of the African Union Climate Change and Resilient Development Strategy and Action Plan (2022-2032), the African Union Green Recovery Action Plan (2021-2027), and the broader premise of the Paris Agreement. We hosted a Comprehensive Africa Climate Change Initiative (CACCI) event at the Zambia COP27 Pavilion in partnership with stakeholders from USAID, ANAPRI (formerly ReNAPRI), Rwanda, and Zambia, and two other events by the Malabo Montpellier Panel on building bridges between financial and development cooperation for climate finance investment (with E3G), and financing research and innovation for adaptation of Africa’s food systems (with ECDPM). These events were preceded by the launch of CACCI Senegal, the Country Adaptation Support Program (CASP), as well as the consolidation of knowledge through Malabo Montpellier Panel reports on Climate Finance and Bioeconomy.



**Supporting the African Union’s 2022 Year of Nutrition:** AKADEMIYA2063 and the Senegalese National Council for Nutrition Development (Conseil National de Développement de la Nutrition – CNDN) organized a series of 4 continental level dialogues on nutrition and food security. Featuring a wide group of stakeholders including policymakers, civil society organizations, farmers’ organizations, research institutions, the private sector, and development partners, the sessions set out to facilitate knowledge exchange and mutual learning and drive required action toward achieving continental and global food security and nutrition targets.



**Working Paper Series:** Launched in 2022, the AKADEMIYA2063 Working Paper Series (AWPS) features peer-reviewed publications by AKADEMIYA2063 scientists and collaborators. Published on the AKADEMIYA2063 website (open access), AWPS aims to provide broad and timely access to significant insights and evidence from our ongoing research activities and those of our collaborators. With 4 papers published this past year, the series provides access to relevant evidence for policymakers, researchers, analysts, and broad stakeholder communities on development topics of strategic importance.



**Strategic Partnerships:** Recognizing that partnerships are indispensable to the achievement of its mission, AKADEMIYA2063 continued to expand its base with national, regional, continental, and global partners. A total of 7 institutional partnerships were formalized by signing Memorandums of Understanding with the African Union Commission (AUC); Conseil National de Développement de la Nutrition (CNDN); Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA); International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI); KIT Royal Tropical Institute; Rwanda’s Ministry of Environment; and Pan-African Farmers’ Organization (PAFO). A research agreement was signed with the Centre de Suivi Écologique (CSE) to launch our collaboration under the CACCI project, which supports Senegal’s efforts to promote climate mitigation and adaptation.

# AKADEMIYA2063 AT A GLANCE

**A**KADEMIYA2063 is a pan-African non-profit research organization with headquarters in Kigali, Rwanda, and a regional office for West and Central Africa in Dakar, Senegal. Inspired by the ambitions of the African Union’s Agenda 2063 and grounded in the recognition of the central importance of solid knowledge and evidence-based systems, the vision of AKADEMIYA2063 is an Africa with the expertise we need for the Africa we want. This expertise must be responsive to the continent’s needs for data and analysis to ensure high-quality policy design and execution. Inclusive, evidence-informed policymaking is key to meeting the continent’s development aspirations, creating wealth, and improving populations’ livelihoods.

AKADEMIYA2063’s overall mission is to create, across Africa and led from its headquarters in Rwanda, state-of-the-art technical capacities to support the efforts by the Member States of the African Union to achieve the key goals of Agenda 2063 of transforming national economies to boost economic growth and prosperity.

Following from its vision and mission, the main goal of AKADEMIYA2063 is to help meet Africa’s needs at the continental, regional, and national levels in terms of data, analytics, and mutual learning for the effective implementation of Agenda 2063 and the realization of its outcomes by a critical mass of countries. AKADEMIYA2063 strives to meet its goals through programs organized under five strategic areas—policy innovation, knowledge systems, capacity creation and deployment, operational support, and data management, digital products, and technology—as well as innovative partnerships and outreach activities.

# 5 Facts about AKADEMIYA2063



AKADEMIYA2063 was established in 2020 to expand the portfolio of policy research and capacity-strengthening support for the CAADP.



4 Annual Flagship Reports on trends in Africa's agriculture sector with a focus on trade, food systems, and food security.



8 Open access knowledge portals to disseminate research findings toward better policy outcomes.



Leading research on agricultural production forecasts for better crisis preparedness.



Facilitating high-level stakeholder dialogue on topics of strategic importance to Africa, including climate action, COVID-19, nutrition and food security, and the Ukraine crisis.

# Core Programs

**AKADEMIYA2063** was established to house three major Africa-wide programs, ReSAKSS, AGRODEP, and the Malabo Montpellier Panel, supporting the implementation of the CAADP and promoting effective evidence-based development policy across Africa. AKADEMIYA2063's core programs, projects, and outreach activities contribute in different ways to strengthening knowledge systems, promoting evidence-based policymaking and agricultural and economic development and, ultimately, to the achievement of the aspirations of the African Union's Agenda 2063—The Africa We Want.

**ReSAKSS** – Established in 2006, the Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System (ReSAKSS) supports efforts to promote evidence and outcome-based policy planning and implementation. In particular, ReSAKSS provides data and related analytical and knowledge products to facilitate CAADP benchmarking, review, and mutual accountability processes. AKADEMIYA2063 leads the work of ReSAKSS in partnership with the African Union Commission (AUC), the African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD), and leading Regional Economic Communities (RECs). As the main platform for monitoring CAADP implementation, ReSAKSS tracks the progress of core CAADP indicators through an interactive website and a flagship Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR), the official CAADP monitoring and evaluation (M&E) report. In addition to tracking progress on CAADP core indicators, the ATOR presents analysis on a feature topic of strategic importance to the CAADP agenda each year.

**AGRODEP** – The African Growth and Development Policy (AGRODEP) Modeling Consortium is a program led by AKADEMIYA2063 that facilitates the use of economic modeling tools, promotes access to data, provides training, research grants, and networking opportunities to a group of Africa-based experts, equally supporting collaboration between the Africa-based experts and international researchers. The overarching goal of AGRODEP is to enable and support African experts to take a leading role in studying strategic development issues facing Africa.

**Malabo Montpellier Panel** – The Malabo Montpellier Panel convenes 18 leading experts in agriculture, engineering, ecology, nutrition, and food security. Its aim is to facilitate policy choices by African governments in order to accelerate progress toward food security and improved nutrition. The Panel identifies areas of progress and positive change across the continent and assesses what successful countries have done differently. It identifies the institutional and policy innovations and program interventions that can best be replicated and scaled by other countries. The associated Malabo Montpellier Forum provides a platform to promote policy innovation; it uses the evidence produced by the Panel to facilitate dialogue among high-level decision-makers on African agriculture, nutrition, and food security. The Malabo Montpellier Forum is co-chaired by His Excellency Hailemariam Dessalegn, former Prime Minister of Ethiopia and Her Excellency Assia Ben Salah Alaoui, Ambassador at Large to His Majesty the King of Morocco.

# Organizational Capability and Staff

AKADEMIYA2063's research scientists have extensive experience conducting research across Africa on agricultural development, food security, economic growth and transformation, nutrition, resilience of agrifood systems, and trade. The scientists have expertise in applying different types of analytical tools and methodologies including partial and general equilibrium modeling, econometric analysis, machine learning, and developing interactive data and knowledge platforms.

To implement its mission, AKADEMIYA2063 operates **8** Departments:



Capacity and Deployment



Knowledge Systems



Policy Innovation



Operational Support



Data Management, Digital Products, and Technology



External Relations



Communication and Outreach



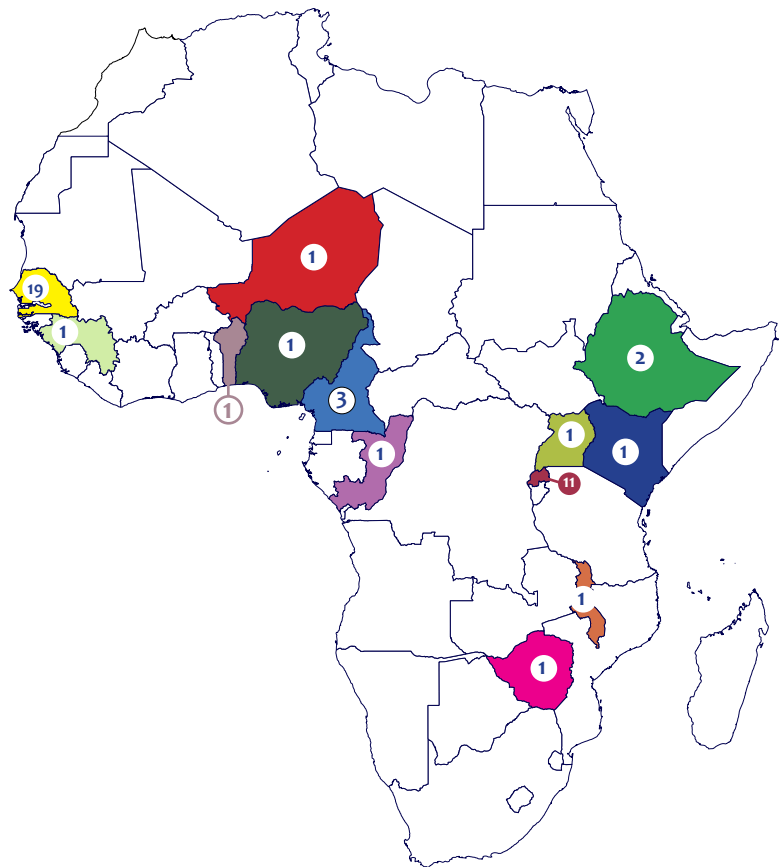
Finance and Administration





In carrying out its research, capacity strengthening, and communications and outreach work, AKADEMIYA2063 leverages expertise from its partnership and collaborative networks across the African continent and from outside Africa. Overall, AKADEMIYA2063 ended the year 2022 with 46 staff from **15** countries.

- Benin (1)
- Cameroon (3)
- Ethiopia (2)
- Germany (1)
- Guinea Conakry (1)
- Kenya (1)
- Malawi (1)
- Nigeria (1)
- Niger (1)
- Republic of the Congo (1)
- Rwanda (11)
- Senegal (19)
- Uganda (1)
- USA (1)
- Zimbabwe (1)



# RESEARCH IMPACTS – FLAGSHIP PUBLICATIONS

This past year, AKADEMIYA2063 published prolifically. Our research outputs are detailed below.

## ReSAKSS

### 2022 Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR)

This 14th Edition of the ATOR, themed ***Agrifood Processing Strategies for Successful Food Systems Transformation in Africa***, examines policies to enhance the contribution of the agrifood processing sector to successful food systems transformation on the continent. Published by AKADEMIYA2063 and IFPRI, the report uses available cross-country data and case studies from value chains throughout the continent to provide an overview of recent growth in the processing sector and the performance, structure, and major constraints of key processing subsectors. AKADEMIYA2063 unveiled the report during the 2022 ReSAKSS Conference, which took place as a hybrid event on October 25-27 in Harare, Zimbabwe. Explore the report to get a multifaceted view of the evolution and performance of Africa’s agrifood processing sector, the challenges it faces, and the potential it offers to contribute to food systems transformation and sustainable development across the continent. [Read more.](#)

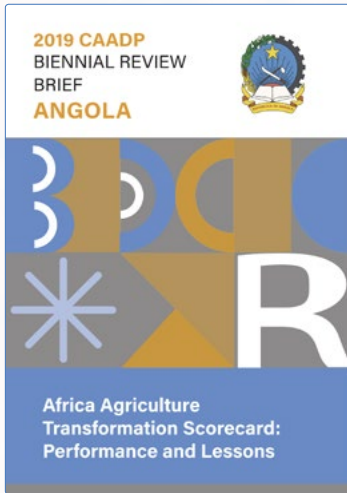


**With the right policies backed by scientific evidence, Africa’s emerging food processing sector can grow to deliver a triple-win for small-scale producers, consumers, and economic development across the continent.”**

**H.E. Josefa Leonel Correia Sacko**  
Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy & Sustainable Development, African Union Commission

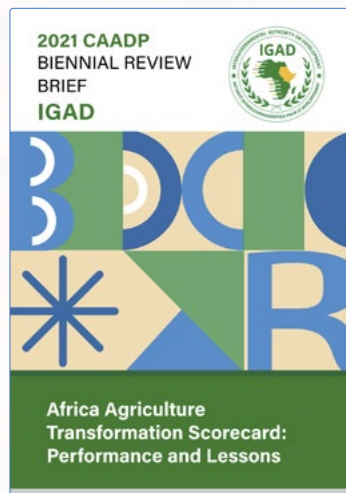
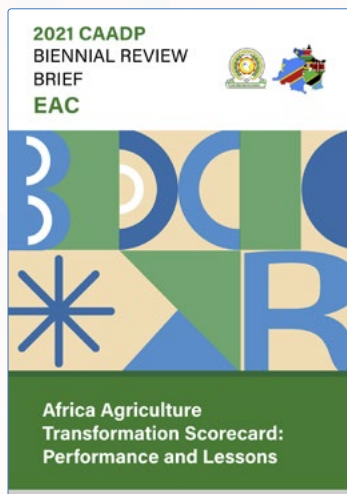
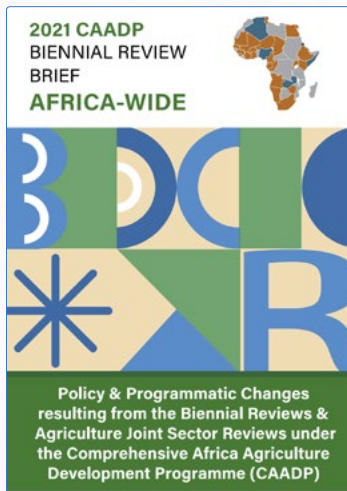
**Statement from the 2022 ReSAKSS Conference Press Release**





## CAADP Biennial Review Briefs

ReSAKSS continues to provide policy research and capacity-strengthening support to guide the planning and implementation of CAADP. Endorsed in 2003 by African heads of states and governments, CAADP is a continent-wide framework for accelerating growth and progress toward poverty reduction and food and nutrition security through an agriculture-led growth strategy. In addition to providing technical support to the CAADP Biennial Review (BR) process, AKADEMIYA2063, in partnership with AUC, created the eBR to enable digital collection and documentation of data to facilitate BR reporting at country level. The CAADP BR briefs provide analysis on regional and country performance for each BR reporting cycle, with recommendations for better outcomes. We published **6** BR Briefs during this reporting period, analyzing performance during the second BR cycle in [Angola](#), and during the third BR cycle at [continental-level](#) and regional level in the [Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa \(COMESA\)](#), the [East African Community \(EAC\)](#), the [Intergovernmental Authority on Development \(IGAD\)](#), and the [Southern African Development Community \(SADC\)](#).





## ReSAKSS and AGRODEP

### 2022 Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor (AATM)

Published in September by AKADEMIYA2063 through ReSAKSS and AGRODEP, and IFPRI, the 2022 AATM contributes to our understanding of African agricultural trade and its relationship with food and nutrition security in several important ways. First, it analyzes regional and continental trade in agriculture and selected value chains, with an analysis of the nutritional content of African trade, and looks closely at the growing trade in processed products. Second, it examines the potentially transformative impact of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) on the region’s economies. Third, at the regional level, it analyzes the evolution of intra- and extra-regional trade flows and trade policy of the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS). [Read more](#)



**The AATM has become a much anticipated annual report, providing much needed data and analysis to assess progress towards as well as impediments to greater African integration into global and regional trade. We hope policymakers across the continent will find the findings and recommendations useful as the AfCFTA continues to be negotiated and implemented.”**

**Dr. Johan Swinnen**  
 Managing Director, Systems Transformation,  
 CGIAR & Director General, IFPRI

*Statement from the 2022 AATM Press Release*



# Malabo Montpellier Panel

## Bioeconomy Report

In the face of recent rising costs of food, fuel, and fertilizer, as well as the longer-term impacts of COVID-19 and climate change, Africa can leverage its rich and varied supply of natural resources together with its science and knowledge for sustainable solutions. This is the premise of ***Nature's Solutions: Policy Innovations & Opportunities for Africa's Bioeconomy***, a report published by the Malabo Montpellier Panel, a group of 18 world-renowned African and international experts providing high-quality research to equip decision-makers to effectively implement policies and programs that support food security and nutrition in Africa. Launched in May 2022, this report draws on the experience of four African countries (Ghana, Namibia, South Africa, and Uganda) whose policy and institutional innovations have shifted the needle toward systemic change and transformation, propelling them to the forefront of the developing bioeconomy. [Read more.](#)



Now is the time to rapidly update and transform Africa's science capacities, skills development, innovation, entrepreneurship, and infrastructure so that leapfrogging into bioeconomy becomes a real opportunity."

**H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn**  
Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia  
Co-Chair, Malabo Montpellier  
Forum

**Statement from the May 2022  
Malabo Montpellier Forum**



## Climate Finance Report

This Malabo Montpellier Panel report, entitled ***ADAPT: Policy innovations to unlock climate finance for resilient food systems in Africa***, highlights opportunities for African countries to stimulate more public and private sector financing while also calling for greater access to global funding. The report analyzes the experience of four systematically selected African countries, Benin, Mali, Rwanda, and Zimbabwe, to apprehend what government actions – policy and institutional innovations and programmatic interventions – have contributed to building a conducive enabling environment for leveraging international climate finance for food systems transformation. The report brings to the fore what these four African countries are doing right and explores lessons for the continent for replication and scaling up. [Read more.](#)

**We must build on the [COP27] momentum and learn from those countries on our continent that have been able to successfully mobilize and tap into international climate finance to build stronger and more resilient food systems.”**

**H.E. Dr. Assia Ben Salah Alaoui**  
 Ambassador at large to the King of Morocco  
 Co-Chair, Malabo Montpellier Forum

***Statement from the December 2022 Malabo Montpellier Forum***



## COP27 Briefing Note

A briefing note released by the Malabo Montpellier Panel argues that for African countries to improve their preparedness, adapt to climate change, and build resilient food systems, effective institutions and governance, policy innovations, and investments in environmentally sound technologies and infrastructure are needed. Access to climate finance is critical to ensure increased resilience and limit the adverse impacts of climate change. Africa’s leaders recognize the urgency and importance of adapting their food systems to a changing climate. They are investing significant resources in developing national policies and institutions to respond to climate change. [Read more.](#)

# RESEARCH IMPACTS – RESPONSE CAPACITY

AKADEMIYA2063 deployed its resources to provide analytical and coordination support in response to a number of emerging issues.

## Ukraine Crisis Brief Series

From rising fuel and food prices to inflation and supply chain disruptions, the Russia-Ukraine war has taken its toll on Africa's economies and food systems, with varying implications for rural and urban populations across various commodity sectors. The intensification of the Ukraine-Russia conflict in February 2022 disrupted the global supply chains of agricultural and food commodities, which had only just started recovering from COVID-19-induced shocks. In response to the conflict and its impact on African countries, AKADEMIYA2063 conducted research to provide evidence-based simulations of the ramifications of the crisis. These research findings are published as Ukraine Crisis Briefs on AKADEMIYA2063's Ukraine Crisis Portal.

Hinged upon data, analytics, and past crisis

patterns, the AKADEMIYA2063 Ukraine Crisis Brief Series analyzes the economic and socio-economic impacts of global market disruptions induced by the Russia-Ukraine conflict. The in-depth analysis of AKADEMIYA2063 scientists primarily tackles (i) the effects of global market disruptions on country terms of trade, the resulting impacts on economic growth and employment, as well as an analysis of the poverty and food security effects, (ii) the sectoral effects of the crisis, covering disruptions in the wheat and vegetable oils sectors and their effects on incomes, inflation, and food security, and (iii) the transmission of the global commodity price shocks to domestic markets, underscoring opportunities to expand regional trade in response to the crisis. [Visit the portal](#) to explore the **16** Briefs published in 2022.

# Africa Agriculture Watch (AAgWa)

Africa's food production systems are constantly battling numerous threats, including weather shocks, plant disease and pest outbreaks, further exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and the Ukraine crisis, among other shocks. Furthermore, the disruptions engendered by such crises require accurate and timely data generation to predict and inform agricultural production for better preparedness.

Launched in 2021, the AAgWa platform provides production and yield forecasts at geographically disaggregated levels and allows near real-time tracking of cropping seasons. The platform serves as an aid to planning and helps to monitor, anticipate, and prepare responses to potential production disruptions.

This past year, AAgWa continued to provide forecasts to drive agricultural production across Africa. Covering **47** African countries, AAgWa forecasts crop production for **9** crops, namely beans, cassava, maize, millet, rice, sorghum, wheat, and groundnut.

We recently launched the AAgWa Forecasts Brief Series to provide more accurate and timely statistics about harvest and yield levels for 9 crops across Africa. [Brief 1](#) on millet production in Senegal was published in December 2022.

AAgWa is equally featured on the [Global Alliance for Food Security \(GAFS\)](#) dashboard. The GAFS dashboard offers the latest global and country-level data on food crisis severity, global food security financing, and innovative research to strengthen crisis response and resilience. AAgWa is featured under the [Focus Areas](#) "Advice" sub menu, which seeks to support coordinated and regular information exchange among decision-makers and reporting of trends in key indicators to promote awareness regarding ongoing food security crises.

AAgWa equally contributed to AKADEMIYA2063's Ukraine Crisis research. The data scientists at AKADEMIYA2063 used the Africa Crop Production (AfCP) model to predict wheat production in Kenya, Mozambique, and South Africa. The model uses satellite remote sensing data as explanatory variables and machine learning techniques as a predictive modeling framework to provide production-level information before the harvesting period at the pixel level. The remote sensing data enables the unique characterization of features on the earth surface on several wavelengths, eliminating the need for a physical human presence on the ground. Two wheat production prediction briefs were [published](#) in 2022.





# Scientific Research

During this reporting period, AKADEMIYA2063 scientists published a total of **33** peer-reviewed publications. These included **14** book chapters, **10** articles in leading international journals, **5** edited volumes, and **4** reviewed working papers and briefs. International journals in which our researchers published include: Agricultural Water Management, Applied Economics, British Medical Journal, Development Policy Review, the European Journal of Development Research, Food Policy, Journal of Agribusiness in Developing and Emerging Economies, Nature Food, and the Statistical Journal of the International Association for Official Statistics. [List of publications.](#)

# EVENTS AND POLICY DIALOGUES

Facilitating high-level conversations to advance knowledge-driven policy outcomes is central to our work at AKADEMIYA2063. We achieve this through strategic events and policy dialogues designed to drive knowledge sharing, learning from best practices, and mutual accountability. AKADEMIYA2063 hosted several in-person and virtual events during the course of 2022 to launch its knowledge products and contribute to discussions on topics of critical importance to Africa's development agenda.

## Malabo Montpellier Forum

The biannual [Malabo Montpellier Forum](#) convenes senior decision-makers to assess strategies for meeting global agriculture and food security goals. Dialogue between the Panel, key stakeholders, NGOs, and the private sector promotes the sharing of high-quality research across borders. Through exchange and mutual learning among leaders in agricultural growth and food security, the Malabo Montpellier Forum provides a platform to promote policy innovation using evidence produced by the Malabo Montpellier Panel. The Forum seeks to create a space for practitioners and policymakers to exchange directly on issues of strategic importance in a context free from domestic pressures. Every meeting of the Forum is guided by a technical report prepared by the Malabo Montpellier Panel; these research reports provide high-level decision-makers with access to the latest evidence to guide effective implementation of policies and programs that benefit smallholder farmers in Africa, especially women and young people.



## We hosted 2 Malabo Montpellier Forums in 2022

The May 24 Forum saw the launch of the Malabo Montpellier Panel's 10th report on ***Nature's Solutions: Policy Innovations & Opportunities for Africa's Bioeconomy***. The virtual event attracted 124 attendees, and featured an [exciting lineup of high-level stakeholders](#) including Forum Co-Chairs, H.E. Hailemariam Dessalegn, Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia and H.E. Dr. Assia Ben Salah Alaoui, Ambassador at Large to His Majesty King Mohamed VI of Morocco, and Panel Co-Chairs, Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson at AKADEMIYA2063 and Prof. Joachim von Braun, Distinguished Professor at ZEF, University of Bonn. [Learn more.](#)

The December 5 Forum was convened to unveil the Malabo Montpellier Panel's 11th report entitled ***ADAPT: Policy innovations to unlock climate finance for resilient food systems in Africa***. The hybrid event attracted 39 in-person and 275 virtual attendees, and featured an [exciting lineup of high-level stakeholders](#) including Senegal's Minister of Environment, Sustainable Development, and Ecological Transition, H.E. Alioune Ndoye, Forum Co-Chair, H.E. Dr. Assia Ben Salah Alaoui, Ambassador at Large to His Majesty King Mohamed VI of Morocco, and Panel Co-Chairs, Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson at AKADEMIYA2063 and Prof. Joachim von Braun, Distinguished Professor at ZEF, University of Bonn. [Learn more.](#)



**African countries are already seizing the initiative to direct national resources toward helping agriculture and food production cope with climate extremes. Our report shows how governments can maximize existing tools and leverage homegrown innovative financing to further bolster food security on the continent.”**

**Dr. Ousmane Badiane**

Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063  
Co-Chair, Malabo Montpellier Panel

*Statement from the December 2022  
Malabo Montpellier Forum Press Release*



Given its vast resources and fast-growing science and innovation capacities, the African continent can be at the forefront of building its own sustainable bioeconomy. Worldwide, more than 50 countries have already adopted the approach.”

**Prof. Joachim von Braun**

Distinguished Professor, ZEF, University of Bonn  
Co-Chair, Malabo Montpellier Panel

**Statement from the May 2022 Malabo Montpellier Forum Press Release**



## ReSAKSS Conference

AKADEMIYA2063, in partnership with the African Union Commission (AUC) and the Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water, and Rural Development, Zimbabwe, hosted the 2022 ReSAKSS Conference under the theme: **“Agrifood Processing Strategies for Successful Food Systems Transformation in Africa.”** The hybrid event, which took place on **October 25–27, 2022**, in Harare, Zimbabwe, unveiled the **14th Edition of the Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR)**. The conference assembled 59 in-person and 189 virtual attendees, including Honorable Peter Vangelis Haritatos, Zimbabwe Deputy Minister of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water, and Rural Development, Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, African Union Commission, and Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063. [Learn more.](#)



The theme of the 2022 summit is a call to all African states to be innovative in the face of the challenges confronting the continent today – a call for collective action across sectors in technology, innovation, and data, governance, human capital, and institutions, which will be crucial to accelerating food systems transformation in Africa.”

**Hon. Peter Vangelis Haritatos**  
Deputy Minister of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water, and Rural Development, Zimbabwe

*Statement from the 2022 ReSAKSS Conference*

## Launch of the 2022 Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor (AATM)

AKADEMIYA2063 and IFPRI convened a virtual session to debate and promote the findings of the 2022 AATM, which provides improved trade statistics and indicators for deeper insights into Africa’s agricultural trade. The annual flagship report builds on the work of AKADEMIYA2063 and IFPRI in support of the CAADP. The event attracted 1,153 live views across all streaming channels, and featured [high-level speakers](#), including Rwanda’s Minister of Trade and Industry, Hon. Dr. Jean Chrysostome Ngabitsinze, Dr. Agnes Kalibata, President, Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), and Dr. Heike Hoeffler, Project Lead, Agricultural Trade, Agribusiness, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Germany. [Learn more.](#)



This 5<sup>th</sup> AATM sheds light on current patterns and trends in intra-African trade and examines the potentially transformative impact of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) on the continent’s economies.”

**Hon. Dr. Jean Chrysostome Ngabitsinze**  
Minister of Trade and Industry, Rwanda

*Statement from the 2022 AATM Launch*

## Ukraine Crisis Webinar Series

In response to the conflict and its impact on African countries, AKADEMIYA2063 developed the Ukraine Crisis Brief Series, a comprehensive research series to provide evidence-based simulations of the ramifications of the crisis – these research findings are published on AKADEMIYA2063’s [Ukraine Crisis Portal](#). To disseminate this research, AKADEMIYA2063 organized a series of webinars with a broad group of stakeholders, including policymakers, research institutions, the private sector, and development partners. With **3** sessions hosted in 2022 and **6** more slated for early 2023, the AKADEMIYA2063 Ukraine Crisis Webinar Series aims to facilitate knowledge exchange toward contributing to policy actions for better preparedness against crisis-induced shocks across Africa. [Learn more.](#) [Follow the series.](#)



**We cannot avoid risks and uncertainties; they will always be there. The problem is to deal with vulnerability arising from inadequate or missing systems mechanisms and capabilities to prepare for, withstand, and mitigate these shocks.”**

**Dr. Abebe Haile-Gabriel**

Assistant Director-General, Regional Representative for Africa, FAO

*Statement from the Ukraine Crisis Webinar Series Launch*



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**It is critical to assist the most vulnerable affected countries face the soaring costs of food imports and avoid social unrest and instability. ”**

**Dr. Maximo Torero**

Chief Economist, FAO

*Statement from the Ukraine Crisis Webinar Series*

## Nutrition and Food Security Dialogue Series

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic that has exposed pinch points in Africa’s health and food systems and is threatening to reverse Africa’s gains in combating malnutrition, the AU designated 2022 as the Year of Nutrition in order to advocate for greater financing, implementation capacity, and coordination in strengthening the resilience of Africa’s food security and nutrition. In support of the AU’s 2022 Year of Nutrition, AKADEMIYA2063 and the Senegalese National Council for Nutrition Development (CNDN) organized a series of continental level dialogues on nutrition and food security with a wide group of stakeholders including policymakers, civil society organizations, farmers’ organizations, research institutions, the private sector, and development partners, to facilitate knowledge exchange, and mutual learning, to drive required action toward achieving continental and global food security and nutrition targets.

The **4** sessions hosted in 2022 focused on (i) Africa’s progress toward meeting nutrition and food security targets, successes, challenges, and lessons learned, (ii) the role of trade and food safety in advancing nutrition and food security objectives and the need for policy alignment, (iii) impacts of the Russia-Ukraine War on nutrition, food security, and poverty in Africa: challenges and opportunities to building resilient food systems, and (iv) Africa’s rapid urbanization and growing middle class: challenges and opportunities to achieving healthier diets and optimal nutrition. [Learn more.](#)



**We need strong leadership – that’s absolutely essential. Advancing the needle on nutrition is difficult because so many things need to happen at the same time. And that requires an ability to connect things, communicate really well, document what is happening, and course correct if needed.”**

**Dr. Lawrence Haddad**  
Executive Director,  
Global Alliance for Improved  
Nutrition (GAIN)

***Statement from Nutrition and Food Security Dialogue I***



**Food security and nutrition cannot be achieved without food safety. And the much-anticipated intra-Africa trade, mostly composed of food and food products, under the AfCFTA, will require AU member states to invest in improving food standards.”**

**Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa**

Director of Agriculture and Rural Development, African Union Commission

*Statement from Nutrition and Food Security Dialogue II*



**Working in partnership with Africa as a continent is an important part of the solution to increasing global food security.”**

**Betsy Baysinger**

Senior Director, Trade and Regulatory Capacity Building Division,  
Foreign Agricultural Service, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

*Statement from Nutrition and Food Security Dialogue II*

# Comprehensive Africa Climate Change Initiative (CACCI)

Despite the strong political will by countries to act on climate change, much work remains to be done, notably in the implementation of the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) that countries submitted as part of their commitments to reduce emissions. For the implementation phase of the NDCs, many countries would require technical and financial support, capacity building, and technology to meet their obligations under the Paris Agreement.

In response to this need, and the White House Global Climate Ambition, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the African Union Commission have partnered with AKADEMIYA2063 and the African Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ANAPRI, formerly ReNAPRI) to strengthen national, regional, and continental capacity to implement NDCs. Implemented through the Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Food Security Policy Research, Capacity, and Influence (PRCI), led by Michigan State University, the [CACCI project](#) is supporting nations in their implementation of NDCs and NAPs through technical and analytical support, capacity development, and inclusive and evidence-based policy dialogue.

AKADEMIYA2063 officially kicked off its activities under this project with an event in Dakar, Senegal, to launch its partnership with the Centre de Suivi Écologique to support the promotion of climate mitigation and adaptation through food systems. Held on October 17, the session equally featured interventions from USAID and Senegal's Ministry of Environment, Sustainable Development, and Ecological Transition, and was followed by a workshop with scientists from AKADEMIYA2063 and the Centre de Suivi Écologique. [Learn more.](#)



## Climate Policy Dialogue

In light of the increasing impacts of climate change on Africa's growth and development, the African Union Commission proposes to scale up support to efforts by African Union Member States to tackle the challenges of climate change, and to meet their obligations under the Paris Agreement. Under the framework of these continental efforts to drive climate action, AKADEMIYA2063 hosted a Climate Policy Dialogue to facilitate high-level stakeholder engagement around strategic areas of the climate change agenda. [The September 2022 session](#) assembled 140 attendees and discussed "[Food Systems and Climate Change: Assessing Readiness and Policy Lessons in Global Negotiations](#)".

## Malabo Montpellier Panel Climate Policy Webinar

COP26 in Glasgow recognized the agriculture sector as key for emissions reductions, protecting nature, and strengthening adaptation and resilience. However, this must be translated into policy action at the national level. How can African governments develop coherent policy agendas to address both food systems transformation and climate adaptation? How can climate finance support food systems transformation, and ensure greater resilience among smallholder farmers? Ahead of the UNFCCC COP27, how can the continent lead efforts in identifying and leveraging synergies between food security and nutrition with climate action? This webinar set out to provide responses to the foregoing questions, discussing the rapidly converging agendas of food systems transformation with climate action. The session explored the latest science and presented key priorities for the African continent. [Learn more.](#)



**There is very little need for external interventions at this point in terms of how the policies are shaped. The implementation, perhaps the funding, the technical capacity, etc. That's where external support would be required. Governments or countries around the world have done a great deal of work in articulating their aspirations and hopes of how they want to see food systems transform."**



**Dr. Debisi Araba**  
Visiting Researcher,  
Imperial College London  
Member, Malabo Montpellier Panel

**Statement from the Malabo Montpellier Panel Climate Policy Webinar**



**Agriculture and food supply is not a niche. It is the most central responsibility of a government, and it is the point of convergence of so many different agenda items. What really needs to happen is an all-of-government approach and also a commitment of the highest level in countries."**

**Dr. Martin Frick**  
Director, World Food Program Global Office, Berlin

**Statement from the Malabo Montpellier Panel Climate Policy Webinar**



# AKADEMIYA2063-University of Pretoria Academic Seminar Series



In this new partnership with the University of Pretoria (UP), we are working jointly to leverage the vast number of resources produced by AKADEMIYA2063 scientists and their partners over nearly two decades to give hands-on experience to the next generation of policy analysts, researchers, and decision-makers through a deep dive into the complex issues at the core of economic development dynamics in Africa. These include several leading flagship publications in the development space in Africa, such as the ResAKSS Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR), the Africa Agriculture Trade Monitor (AATM), and the Malabo Montpellier (MaMo) Panel reports.

The AKADEMIYA2063-University of Pretoria Academic Seminar Series provides a forum for university students at UP, and later, other African universities, to engage with a vast network of leading scientists who contribute to AKADEMIYA2063's flagship reports, toward a deeper and more practical understanding of the specific thematic issues covered in the reports. The 4 sessions hosted in 2022 discussed the findings of the 2021 ReSAKSS Annual Trends and Outlook Report themed "[Building Resilient African Food Systems After COVID-19](#)". [Learn more.](#)



## Board Seminar

Themed “Regional Trade Outlook in Eastern Africa: Opportunities for Rwanda”, the March 2022 seminar provided a forum for AKADEMIYA2063 to exchange with high-level stakeholders in Rwanda from the agriculture, trade, and other interconnected sectors while exploring the challenges and opportunities for Rwanda to boost its performance in the regional market. Key stakeholders included Hon. Dr. Gerardine Mukeshimana, Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources; Mr. Antoine Marie Kajangwe, Director General of Trade and Investment at the Ministry of Trade and Industry; Ms. Patience Mutesi, Country Director, TradeMark East Africa, Rwanda; Dr. Pierre Claver Rutayisire, Principal of the College of Business and Economics, University of Rwanda; Mr. Claude Bizimana, CEO, National Agricultural Export Development Board (NAEB); and Mr. Joseph Mutabazi, Director of Trade and Business Development, Rwanda Private Sector Federation (PSF). The event was chaired by Ambassador Ertharin Cousin, Vice Chair, AKADEMIYA2063 Board of Trustees. Learn more from the [post-event brief](#) and [short video highlights](#).



**We must consistently rely on evidence, harnessing data, best practices, and applied research into sustainable solutions – this is a priority for Rwanda.”**

**Hon. Dr. Gerardine Mukeshimana**  
Former Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda

**Statement from the March 2022 Board Seminar**

# WORKSHOPS AND TECHNICAL MEETINGS

AKADEMIYA2063 regularly convenes and participates in research workshops and technical meetings throughout the year, contributing to filling the knowledge and data gap in agriculture, climate change, ecology, food systems, and trade, among others. During this reporting period, AKADEMIYA2063 hosted **18** research workshops. A selection of workshops is further elaborated below.



#	Workshop/Meeting	Host	Dates
1	Introducing the AGRODEP-RIMA Network for Africa-based resilience researchers and practitioners	AKADEMIYA2063 and FAO	December 15
2	Technical support to the Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Water, Fisheries, and Rural Development, Zimbabwe, on AAgWa, eAtlas, output predictions, Joint Sector Review (JSR), and the BR	AKADEMIYA2063 and the Center for Agriculture and Food Policy (CAFP), Zimbabwe	November 28-December 2
3	18th CAADP Partnership Platform Meeting Side-Event	AKADEMIYA2063	November 28-December 2
4	<a href="#">Building Bridges between Finance</a> and Development Cooperation for the Adaptation of Food Systems	Malabo Montpellier Panel and ECDPM (the Centre for Africa-Europe Relations)	November 9
5	<a href="#">Financing Research and Innovation</a> for Adaptation in Africa's Food Systems	Malabo Montpellier Panel and E3G	November 9
6	<a href="#">Country Adaptation Support Program (CASP)</a> , Senegal Clinic	AKADEMIYA2063 and the Global Center on Adaptation (GCA)	November 1-3
7	<a href="#">AL for Agribusiness Network Partners' Workshop</a>	African Leadership Academy and Malabo Montpellier Panel	October 19
8	ECOWAS Agricultural Trade and Market (EATM) Scorecard Taskforce Meeting	AKADEMIYA2063 and ECOWAS	October 9-10
9	<a href="#">Malabo Montpellier Panel Workshop: Harnessing Bioeconomy to Catalyze Resilient Food Systems Transformation in Africa: Experience from the Continent</a>	Malabo Montpellier Panel, ZEF, and Imperial College London	September 15
10	Beyond the Farm: Investment for Innovation of Food Processing in Africa's Food System (Side Event: Africa Green Revolution Forum (AGRF) 2022 Summit)	AKADEMIYA2063, Malabo Montpellier Panel, and ZEF	September 7
11	Country Adaptation Support Program (CASP), Kenya Meeting	AKADEMIYA2063 and the Global Center on Adaptation (GCA)	August 30-31
12	<a href="#">Les Jeudis de la Recherche</a> : Technologies évolutives pour l'irrigation à petite échelle au Burkina Faso	AKADEMIYA2063	July 21
13	<a href="#">AGRODEP Members' Meeting</a> : Research Funding Opportunities from J-PAL	AKADEMIYA2063 and the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)	June 23
14	Pro Sahel Validation Meeting: Innovation and technology in small scale irrigation systems for small-scale producers in Burkina Faso	AKADEMIYA2063 and FAO	May 10

#	Workshop/Meeting	Host	Dates
15	Pro Sahel Validation Meeting: Innovation and technology in small scale irrigation systems for small-scale producers in Niger	AKADEMIYA2063 and FAO	May 5
16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ReSAKSS Country eAtlas Training to the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources, Rwanda</li> <li>Training on forest cover loss assessment to the Ministry of Environment, Rwanda</li> </ul>	AKADEMIYA2063	May 10-27
17	Training on the ReSAKSS Country eAtlas to the Rwandan Ministry of Agriculture and other government agencies	AKADEMIYA2063	April 4–6
18	Hub for Responsible Artificial Intelligence for Climate Action Innovation Research Network in Africa launch meeting	West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL), AKADEMIYA2063, and the Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM)	February 17

# STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT – EXTERNAL MEETINGS

AKADEMIYA2063 scientists and staff are regularly solicited to participate in high-level conversations on issues of critical importance to knowledge-led development across Africa. Some highlights are provided below.

#	Session	Staff	Dates
1	11th Atlantic Dialogues Conference, Policy Center for the New South	Dr. Katrin Glatzel Director, Policy Innovation	December 15
2	“The Power of Knowledge: Walking the talk on equitable partnerships”, KIT Royal Tropical Institute	Ms. Tsitsi Makombe, Director, External Relations	September 1
3	Workshop on the Critical Analysis of the Biennial Review Process organized by the AUC, AUDA-NEPAD, and Regional Economic Communities (RECs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Augustin Wambo Yamdjeu, Director, Knowledge Systems</li> <li>• Dr. Ismael Fofana, Director, Capacity and Deployment</li> <li>• Dr. Paul Maina Guthiga, Senior Scientist</li> <li>• Dr. Greenwell Matchaya, Coordinator, ReSAKSS-ESA and Senior International Researcher, IWMI</li> <li>• Dr. Layih Butake, Director, Communication and Outreach</li> <li>• Ms. Lea Magne Domgho, Senior Associate Scientist</li> <li>• Mr. Wondwosen Tefera, Senior Associate Scientist</li> </ul>	August 1-5
4	Southern African Development Community (SADC) Regional Dialogue to review the 3rd BR report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Augustin Wambo Yamdjeu, Director, Knowledge Systems</li> <li>• Dr. Greenwell Matchaya, Coordinator, ReSAKSS-ESA and Senior International Researcher, IWMI</li> </ul>	July 27-28
5	Consultative dialogue and reflection event convened by AUDA-NEPAD and the AUC in Dakar, Senegal, on the implementation of NAIPs, lessons to inform the next NAIP development cycle, and the next Agenda 2063 Ten Year Implementation Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson</li> <li>• Dr. Augustin Wambo Yamdjeu, Director, Knowledge Systems</li> </ul>	July 26-28

#	Session	Staff	Dates
6	Agrilinks webinar by USAID: The Importance of Timely Analyses for Decision-Making during a Period of Crisis	Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson	July 27
7	AUC-AKADEMIYA2063-AUDA-NEPAD planning meeting, Nairobi, Kenya	Several senior staff	July 14–15
8	Launch of the West Africa Food System Resilience Program (FSRP) in Lomé, Togo, by ECOWAS, the Permanent Interstate Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS), the West and Central African Council for Agricultural Research and Development (CORAF), and the World Bank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Mbaye Yade, Director, Western and Central Africa</li> <li>• Dr. Ismael Fofana, Director, Capacity and Deployment</li> </ul>	June 13-15
9	59th Africa Liberation Day organized by the Rwandan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources, and the Pan African Movement-Rwanda Chapter	Dr. Ousmane Badiane Executive Chairperson	May 25
10	IFAD Rural Development Report Policy Dialogue Series event : <a href="#">“Transformational, Sustainable, and Inclusive Food Systems in West and Central Africa: A dialogue on the Challenges and Solutions”</a>	Dr. Ismael Fofana Director, Capacity and Deployment	May 12
11	USAID Agrilinks: “The 3rd CAADP Biennial Review: From Data to Policy Implementation.”	Dr. Augustin Wambo Yamdjeu Director, Knowledge Systems	April 28
12	African Union launch of the 3rd Biennial Review (BR) report	Dr. Ousmane Badiane Executive Chairperson	March 10
13	Training of BR Regional experts to support the post 3rd BR Report dialogues and the 4th BR process	Several staff	March 14
14	African Green Revolution Forum (AGRF) launch event organized by AGRA	Dr. Ousmane Badiane Executive Chairperson	March 3

# STRATEGIC STORYTELLING FOR IMPACT AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

AKADEMIYA2063 is leveraging strategic storytelling and outreach to position itself on the African and international research landscapes by building a solid brand and clarifying its role and mandate, enhancing the reach and maintaining the reputation of its existing core programs, and establishing leadership in new areas of expertise, including digital technologies.

Our communications initiatives, spanning branding, content development, external/internal communication, media engagement, outreach, and social media, support the organization's mission and goals by communicating our knowledge products to our diverse partners and audiences. Our communications approach sets out to position AKADEMIYA2063 as a crucial and leading player in the African and global research landscape by building on our strengths—which include our quality and evidence-based flagship programs and publications, our capacity-strengthening interventions, knowledge-driven theory of change, our commitment to Agenda 2063, and our strong network of partners. Key highlights are provided below.





# ReSAKSS Data Challenge

AKADEMIYA2063 launched the third edition of the ReSAKSS Data Challenge to drive data innovation in the international development sector. The ReSAKSS Data Challenge is a competition for enthusiastic data users to showcase their creativity and analytical skills by using data and other resources on the ReSAKSS, eAtlas, and AAgWa websites to develop innovative knowledge products that address development challenges in Africa. Competing under four main categories, namely, Essay and Report, Visual Arts, IT Products and Services/Predictive Modeling, and High School Project, contestants explored a wide range of resources, data, reports, reviews, and publications on the digital platforms, using the knowledge to hack solutions relevant to any given sector and win prizes for innovative discoveries.

**The 2022 edition revealed 8 winners.**



**1<sup>st</sup> Prize Winner**  
 Essay or Report

**François Sagna, Senegal**  
 Engineer, Agricultural Sciences

**“It is beneficial to encourage Africans to propose solutions that benefit Africans and, why not, the entire world.”**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Winner**  
 High School Project

**Vanessa Nalugya, Uganda**  
 Recent Graduate, Mumasa High School

**“I’ve discovered that the ReSAKSS platform has a wealth of data that can be used as evidence in advocating for African development projects.”**

# Content Development

Some key communications collateral developed over the past year include the AKADEMIYA2063 Governance and Management Brochure; AKADEMIYA2063 Knowledge Products Catalogue; AKADEMIYA2063 Capability Statement; Malabo Montpellier Panel Brochure and Factsheet; and 11 videos (Board Seminar, MaMo Forums, AATM, and ReSAKSS promotional videos).



## Check out our popular playlists on YouTube.

▶ 2022 MaMo Forums Playlist

▶ 2022 ReSAKSS Conference Playlist

▶ 2022 AATM Playlist

▶ Ukraine Crisis Webinar Series Playlist

▶ Board Seminar Playlist

▶ Nutrition and Food Security Dialogue Playlist

▶ AKADEMIYA2063-University of Pretoria Academic Seminar Series Playlist

# Media Engagement

**77**

news articles/  
reports

**13**

press releases

**4**

blog posts

Our media engagement efforts through a combination of earned and paid strategies have generated coverage across international and regional media, with over 77 articles/reports documented in 2022. As part of our efforts to drive media coverage and visibility, we published 13 press releases and 4 blog posts in 2022.

Notable coverage includes Thomson Reuters, CNBC Africa (ReSAKSS), CNBC Africa (MaMo Forum), CNBC Africa (Board Seminar), The Hill, and allAfrica.

Check out our 2022 [Media Coverage Tracker](#) for more details.



## Our Reach

AKADEMIYA2063 leveraged digital media this past year to partake in global discourse and promote the visibility of the continent’s agenda and milestones. Through our social media accounts, we were able to engage with over **50,000** followers across 18 channels. Thanks to our open-access digital platforms, we reached over **41,707** users worldwide.

The table below provides a snapshot of statistics from our main websites this past year.

Website	Users	Countries	Top 10 Countries of Users	Top Downloads
AKADEMIYA2063	<b>13,095</b>	<b>156</b>	United States, Senegal, Rwanda, Netherlands, Finland, France, Kenya, South Africa, Germany, United Kingdom	Ukraine Briefs, Knowledge Products Catalogue, Capability Statement, AATM
ReSAKSS	<b>9,687</b>	<b>155</b>	United States, Malawi, China, Senegal, Kenya, South Africa, Nigeria, France, United Kingdom, Ethiopia	AATM, ATOR, eAtlas, COVID-19 portal
MaMo Panel	<b>17,917</b>	<b>189</b>	United States, Kenya, United Kingdom, France, South Africa, Nigeria, Senegal, Ethiopia, India, Germany	Bioeconomy, Monograph, Connecting the Dots, Livestock, Climate Finance
AAgWa	<b>1,063</b>	<b>60</b>	Senegal, United States, Rwanda, China, Kenya, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Germany, Cameroon, France	

# AKADEMIYA2063's 2022 AT A GLANCE

## MEDIA COVERAGE

**77+** reports/articles published by news outlets

**13** press releases published by AKADEMIYA2063

**04** blog posts published by AKADEMIYA2063

## SOCIAL MEDIA

 **34,933** followers across 5 channels

 **11,742** followers across 5 channels

 **2,539** followers across 4 channels

## EVENTS

**04** flagship events hosted

**16** policy dialogues hosted

**18** workshops/technical meetings (hosted or co-hosted)

**14** external events (invited)

## PUBLICATIONS

**33** peer-reviewed publications

**16** Ukraine Crisis Briefs

**06** CAADP BR Briefs

**41,707** users across 4 open-access websites

# LOOKING AHEAD

Our [2021-2025 Strategy](#) lays out our Theory of Change, which highlights effective linking of knowledge supply and knowledge demand as a key step in improving policy design and implementation and leading to better development outcomes. AKADEMIYA2063's programs, partnerships, and communications are geared towards strengthening that link through technical and institutional capacities in order to facilitate the provision and use of evidence to inform policies and strategies. As we get into 2023, we will remain guided by our strategy and will continue to produce and communicate high-quality evidence and knowledge, promoting policy innovation in support of our mission to create and strengthen capacities to achieve the Agenda 2063 goals.



# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

AKADEMIYA2063  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022	2021
	USD	USD
<b>INCOME</b>		
Grants received	6,019,595	5,061,678
Accrued Income	228,489	-
Deferred Income	(1,370,354)	-
Other Income	-	88,500
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>4,877,730</b>	<b>5,150,178</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Personnel costs	(2,732,871)	(3,039,608)
Overheads	(504,773)	(460,541)
Direct Program cost	(1,517,528)	(1,443,857)
Equipment	(88,997)	(134,512)
Exchange gain/(Loss)	(31,361)	-
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>(4,875,530)</b>	<b>(5,078,518)</b>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	2,200	71,660

AKADEMIYA2063  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022	2021
	USD	USD
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash in Bank	1,520,055	1,391,270
Cash on Hand	275	-
Receivables	911,253	161,083
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		
2,431,583	1,552,353	
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		
Payables	987,368	1,170,172
Deferred income	1,370,354	310,521
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		
2,357,723	1,480,693	
Retained Reserves	73,860	71,660
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</b>		
2,431,583	1,552,353	



## Grants Received

	2022	2021
Donor	USD	USD
AfDB	162,168	37,817
BMG	2,002,479	497,506
FCDO - IMPERIAL SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY	36,543	23,867
BMZ - University of Kiel	51,734	5,492
FAO	112,185	21,758
APHR/FSTIP	313,900	39,300
Other Income	27,653	
PARI/ZEF	163,212	271,628
USAID/Policy Link	1,540,044	4,164,310
AGRA	231,045	
BMG-AUC	350,000	
FAO - PROSAHEL (Burkina Faso)	199,830	
FAO - PROSAHEL (Niger)	199,830	
GIZ-AATM	69,679	
GCA	232,138	
AGRA - FCDO	60,779	
USDA-SPS	193,782	
WASCAL	72,591	
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,019,595</b>	<b>5,061,680</b>

# Governance

## Board of Trustees

The AKADEMIYA2063 Board of Trustees is responsible for setting policies and evaluating and monitoring management's actions. The Board hires and evaluates the Managing Director, approves the long-range strategic plan, approves the annual plan and budget, monitors the organization's progress toward the achievement of its mission and strategic research objectives, assures the organization's cost effectiveness, financial integrity, and accountability, exercises oversight of investments, and ensures compliance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements.



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## Senior Management Committee

The Senior Management oversees the day-to-day management of the organization's operations. It directs and oversees the research, capacity building, and communications activities. It is led by the Managing Director.



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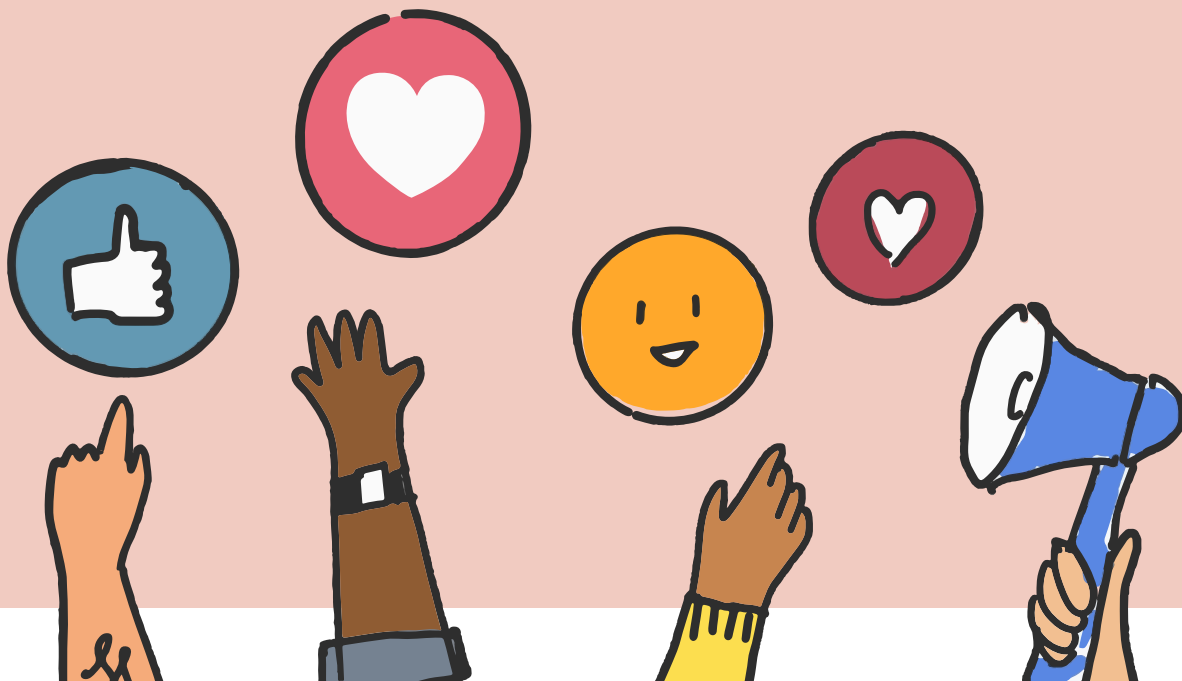
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