

## The UN FOOD SYSTEMS SUMMIT 2021

### Guiding Notes for Somalia National Dialogue

The following are suggested guiding notes for consideration in the preparation of the Somalia National consultations:

1. Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation to guide on arrangements and participation in National dialogue
2. Constitute the focal institutions/person(s) to organize the Somalia National consultation meeting and to prepare a synthesis: Possibly Somalia National Development Research Center, RUFORUM and Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation focal person to coordinate the arrangements. Dr Anthony Egeru is the contact person for RUFORUM and can be contacted at RUFORUM Secretariat ([secretariat@ruforum.org](mailto:secretariat@ruforum.org) with copy to [a.egeru@ruforum.org](mailto:a.egeru@ruforum.org))
3. Identify the key questions that should be addressed
4. Reach out to various institutions and agencies at national level for the dialogue: the stakeholders should include, among others, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation officials, other Government Ministries, farmers' institutions, research systems, ISABU, universities, youths, NGOs, Private sector, etc.
5. Choose the date for the National Consultation, we propose 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021 in the morning hours as the Technical Expert meetings is slated for 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021 and the National Consultations are expected to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021
6. Please register the National Consultations in the UN Food Systems Summit 2021 website; RUFORUM Secretariat can assist if needed
7. Identify the key voices, the speakers, including the moderator
8. Participate/Contribute to the drafting of the Somalia Government Statement to UN Food Systems Summit
9. Prepare meeting report of current situation, key drivers and issues, needed actions and by whom; what should be the key messages from the dialogue for consideration by the

Somalia Government for action at National level, AUC and presentation at the UN Summit

10. Organize zoom convening (RUFORUM Secretariat can assist in this)
11. Advertise widely the consultation and the zoom meeting

### **Possible Meeting arrangement**

**Proposed Date: 26th May 2021**

**Morning: 1000-1300**

### **Session 1: Official Opening and setting the stage**

1. The Minister/Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation
2. Background to the UN Food Systems Summit and planned National and Regional Dialogue: Prof Adipala Ekwamu, RUFORUM Secretariat
3. Key Note Paper: The Current status and issues confronting the Food Systems in Somalia ( Somali National Development Research Centre or alternative institution)
4. Open Discussion

### **Session 2: Analysis of Key drivers affecting Agriculture and Food Systems in Somalia**

#### **(Panel Discussion)**

1. Lead paper: Key Drivers affecting Agricultural and Food Systems in Somalia (Speaker to be identified)
2. Perspectives on addressing emerging challenges such as climate change and Environmental degradation
3. Perspectives on addressing postharvest losses, value addition and enhancing food nutrition quality for different markets niches.
4. Perspectives of making Agriculture more attractive to the youths
5. Perspectives from universities on issues of Human Capital Development and Research
6. Perspectives on promoting inclusivity and addressing the needs of Smallholder farmers and Marketing opportunities
7. Perspective on policy issues needed to strengthen Food System Interventions in Somalia



### **Open Discussion**

1. Summary of Emerging issues and recommendations for consideration by the Somalia Government
2. Closing Remarks: Permanent Secretary or his/her representative

### **Key Outputs of the Somalia National Consultation**

1. **Statement from the dialogue outlining key issues and action needed to strengthen the SOMALIA National Food Systems**
2. **Key messages for presentation by the Somalia Government to the UN Food Systems Summit 2021.**
3. **A report of the consultation and dialogue (send out a questionnaire to solicit for perspectives from the wider Somalia community).**



## Annex Tentative Programme For the Somalia National Consultations on the Pre-UN Food Systems Summit Dialogue.

**Date:** 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Time:** 1000-1300 East African Standard Time

**Registration Link:** <https://bit.ly/3foUFAG>

Moderator: Ministry of Agriculture, Somalia

### Programme

Time	Session/Topic	Responsible Person
	<b>Opening Session</b>	
1000-1010	Welcome Remarks by Session Moderator	Minister; Hon. Said Hussein
1010-1020	Background to the UN Food Systems Summit 2021 and the National and Regional dialogues	Prof Adipala Ekwamu, RUFORUM Executive Secretary
	<b>Analysis of Key drivers affecting Agriculture and Food Systems in Somalia</b>	
1020-1035	Key Note Paper: The Current status and issues affecting Agriculture and Food Systems in Somalia  Role of Humanitarian Agencies in contributing toward shifting from emergency to development and its impact in enhancing food systems in Somalia	Dr. Mohamud Hussein
1035-1055	<b>Discussion</b>	
1100-1110	Perspectives on addressing emerging challenges such as climate change and Environmental degradation	Dr. Ibrahim Dagane Ali
1110-1120	Perspectives on addressing low Agricultural productivity as a result of poor institutional capacity.	Eng. Abdullahi Hassan Hussein
1120-1150	<b>Discussion</b>	
1150-1200	Perspectives on Human Capital Development and Research needs for Somalia	Prof Abdirizak Mohamed Aden, President Nugaal University
1200-1210	Perspectives on promoting inclusivity and addressing the needs of Smallholder farmers and Marketing opportunities	Dr. Mohmed Rashid
1210-1220	Perspective on policy issues needed to strengthen Food System Interventions in Somalia	Mohamud Artan

1220-1240	<b>Open Discussion</b>	Moderator
	<b>Closing Session</b>	
1240-1250	Summary of Emerging issues and recommendations for consideration by the SOMALIA Government	Dr. Mustafe Abdi, Nuugal University Somalia
1250-1300	Closing Remarks	Permanent Secretary or his/her representative

**\* Programme to be modified as needed by the Government of Somalia**