



Network Meeting Africa Research - 30 September 2021 (2 – 5 pm)

The University of Hohenheim has broad expertise in Africa-related research. The Network Meeting Africa Research will bring together different actors working on Africa-related projects at the University of Hohenheim - be it with emphasis on agriculture, social science or economics. This is an important opportunity to strengthen the internal cooperation and the network.

The online meeting will take place on **30 September 2021 from 2 to 5 pm** on ZOOM.

The event provides a platform to get to know each other's Africa-related research and to expand our networks. Additionally, strategies for strengthening future research will be developed during the event.

Expected outcomes of the meeting:

- Get an overview of the University of Hohenheim's broad expertise in Africa research
- Discuss ongoing projects related to Africa from different thematic backgrounds
- Collaborate in working groups on the opportunities for future Africa research
- Formulate a strategy to strengthen Africa-related research at the University of Hohenheim
- Expand networks

After the event, we would like to invite all participants to a physical get together with cold drinks at the *Research Center for Global Food Security and Ecosystems* (at Wollgrasweg 43)

The target audience for the Network Meeting Africa Research will be Professors, Postdocs and PhD students of the University of Hohenheim.

Access the event via the following link:

<https://uni-hohenheim.zoom.us/j/9990122797?pwd=QmVJaDAwL3U1VGVMaVZc0JHa3YzUT09>

The Network Meeting Africa Research was initiated by a collaboration between the *Hans-Ruthenberg-Institute* (Prof. Dr Mizeck Chagunda) and the *Research Center for Global Food Security and Ecosystems* (Carolin Callenius).

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Network Meeting Africa Research Program:

Time	Content			Presenter
2:00	Welcome - History and outlook within the University of Hohenheim`s Africa research			Prof. Dr. Mizeck Chagunda
2:10	Introduction of the participants			Carolin Callenius
2:20	Schedule for the event			Carolin Callenius
2:30	First round of pitches – Two parallel sessions (Group 1 & 2)			
	Group 1	Carolin Callenius	Group 2	Dr. Marcus Giese
	Innov8Health	Prof. Dr. Mizeck Chagunda	The molecular mechanisms underlying local adaptation to high elevation habitats in the honey bee <i>Apis mellifera</i>	Prof. Dr. Martin Hasselmann
	LEAP4FNSSA: Long-term EU-AU Research and Innovation Partnership for Food and Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture	Carolin Callenius	SMIL: The seed ball technology - a transdisciplinary approach to its development and implementation into Sahelian pearl millet production systems	Dr. Charles Nwanko
	Entwicklung nachhaltiger Wasser- und Energielösungen für Farmen in Südafrika	Lutz-Heiner Otto	Sowing the seeds of success: new models for selection and large-scale dissemination of best-fit varieties by Zambian smallholder farmers	Prof. Dr. Bettina Haussmann
	EatSANE: Education and Training for Sustainable Agriculture and Nutrition in East Africa	Dr. Thomas Hilger	An analysis of adoption of crossbred poultry and its impact on well-being among rural poultry-keeping households in Ethiopia	Dr. Orkhan Sariyav
	Mercury-AMF: Phytoremediation of mercury contaminated mining sites in Ghana and Burkina Faso with arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi	Prof. Dr. Frank Rasche		
3:00	Discussion of the first round of pitches (Breakout rooms)			Carolin Callenius
3:20	Second round of pitches – Two parallel sessions (Group 1 & 2)			
	Group 1	Carolin Callenius	Group 2	Dr. Marcus Giese
	SURE Food: Strengthening urban resilience in food and nutrition security in Kenya	Dr. Hamid Oskorouchi	LANDYN: Land and labour dynamics in the future of African transformation	Pranav Patil
	PARI: Program of accompanying research for agricultural Innovation	Prof. Dr. Regina Birner	Development of Carbon Materials for Microbial Fuel Cells	Musa Bishir
	Vegi-Leg: Implementing innovative processing technologies for nutrient-dense plant foods to safeguard perennial nutrition security	Dr. Wolfgang Stuetz	German-Ethiopian SDG Graduate School: Climate Change Effects on Food Security (CLIFOOD)	Dr Nicole Schönleber
	SERVInnov: Strengthening innovation support services to enhance innovations for sustainable food production	Dr. Hycenth Tim Ndah	EU-Africa policy interplay and its impacts on cross-border value chains and food markets	Prof. Dr. Christine Wieck
3:50	Discussion of the second round of pitches (Breakout rooms)			Dr. Marcus Giese
4:10	Cooperation with Tübingen			Dr. Rebekka Schneider
4:20	Future strengthening Africa research at the University of Hohenheim – Working Groups			Carolin Callenius
4:40	Strategies for strengthening Africa research - Highlights from the working groups			Carolin Callenius
4:55	Concluding remarks from the Network Meeting on Africa Research			Prof Dr. Mizeck Chagunda