



Transforming Africa's Higher Agricultural Education Institutions for Economic Growth and Development (TAGDev 2.0) Program

Partners Side Event at the RUFORUM AGM

Date: 11th December, 2022: Time: 11:00-16:30

Venue: Rainbow Towers Hotel

Mode: Physical event by invitation only

Background

Mastercard Foundation and Regional Universities Forum are seeking to extend an existing partnership in the collaborative implementation of the Transforming Africa's Higher Education Institutions for Economic Growth and Development (TAGDev 2.0). The TAGDev 2.0 is proposed to be a 10 year programme that has been collaboratively co-created. It builds on the lessons from the Transforming African Agricultural Universities to meaningfully contribute to Africa's growth and development (TAGDev) project that has been collaboratively piloted by the Mastercard Foundation and RUFORUM. It also builds on the lessons from the 10 years of implementing an astounding Scholars Programme by several partners working together with the Mastercard Foundation.

TAGDev 2.0 seeks for an overall of impact of a transformative network of Africa's young people and their institutions driving inclusive and equitable socio-economic change in their societies. It is developed a round a programme development objective to realize robust and transformative African HEIs equip young people with skills and values to catalyze sustainable and inclusive development, and resilient communities. The programme will be guided by four Strategic Objectives: (1) Support underprivileged young Africans to access quality university agricultural education that effectively prepares them to contribute to individual, community and economic transformation; (2) Catalyse entrepreneurship development among scholars to create and expand job opportunities for dignified and fulfilling work; (3) Expand opportunities for young people through deployment of sustainable and profitable co-created agricultural innovations; and (4) Strengthen inter-universities and industry partnerships to create an enabling agri-food ecosystem supportive of innovation, mutual learning and connectedness to the labour market.

The TAGDev 2.0 programme is under consideration by the Mastercard Foundation for possible financing. TAGDev 2.0 is a co-created programme between RUFORUM Secretariat, Mohamed the Sixth Polytechnique University (UM6P) and Global Confederation of Higher Education Associations for Agricultural and Life Sciences (GCHERA). The Programme will involve a total of 12 participating universities when approved as part of the implementing consortium. The programme development has been on for the last 10 months and is in advanced stages with the following activities successfully accomplished: (i) full proposal submitted to the Mastercard Foundation; (ii) institutional due diligence has been undertaken by the Mastercard Foundation; (iii) onsite due diligence visits have been undertaken with the coordination of the RUFORUM Secretariat; (iv) budget negotiations have commenced with the Mastercard Foundation.

CO-ORGANISERS:



Purpose and Objective of the side event

This side event has been designed to bring the proposed implementing partners collectively together for the first time. The side event therefore seeks to build a common understanding of the TAGDev 2.0 to better position universities for successful implementation of the programme. Specifically, the side event will:

1. Receive and share the feedback from onsite due diligence missions undertaken in 12 universities within Africa.
2. Orient universities to the Mastercard Foundation Scholars Programme and the Mastercard Foundation operations in Africa.
3. Develop a common understanding on the TAGDev 2.0 programme; design, deliverables and delivery mechanisms and required institutional commitments.
4. Lesson learn from the TAGDev 1.0 early adopter universities (Egerton University and Gulu University) on transformative unique model of agricultural education for Africa.

Draft Programme

Time	Activity	Persons in-charge
10:30-11:00	Arrival of participants and Coffee Interaction	Ms. Loyce Angoku
11:00-11:05	Call to Order and Opening Remarks of the TAGDev Steering Committee Chairperson	Prof. Peter Mbat
11:05-11:15	Introductions	All
11:15-11:20	RUFORUM welcome remarks	Prof. Adipala
11:20-11:25	Mastercard Foundation remarks	Ms. Pauline Gangla
11:25-11:30	Reactions to Opening Remarks	All
11:30-11:50	Mastercard Foundation Scholars Programme	Ms. Pauline Gangla
11:50-12:00	Discussions on the Scholars Programme	All
12:00-12:30	TAGDev 2.0 Programme	Assoc. Prof. Anthony Egeru & Mr. Okalany Emmanuel
12:30-13:00	Discussions on the TAGDev 2.0	All
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	Ms. Loyce Angoku
14:00-14:30	Report of the Onsite Due Diligence Missions	Dr. Methu and Prof. Kay
14:30-15:00	Discussion on the Due Diligence Report	All
15:00-15:30	Implementing TAGDev: Lessons from Early Adopter Universities (Egerton University and Gulu University)	Prof. Nancy Mungai and Prof. Duncan Ongeng
15:30-16:00	Collaborative reflections; implications for implementing TAGDev 2.0	All
16:00-16:30	Closing Reflections 1. Chairperson TAGDev Steering Committee 2. Mastercard Foundation	Prof. Peter Mbat

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	<p>3. Proposed implementing Universities</p> <p>4. GCHERA</p> <p>5. RUFORUM Secretariat</p>	
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