

**Pre-UN Food Systems National Dialogue for Namibia**

**Date:** 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Time:** 1400-1730 Southern African Standard Time

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

Moderator: Dr. Hlami Ngwenya, University of Free State, South Africa (TBC)

**Draft Programme**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session/Topic</b>	<b>Responsible Person</b>
	<b>Opening Session</b>	
1400-1410	Welcome Remarks by Session Moderator	Dr. Hlami Ngwenya (TBC)
1410-1420	Background to the UN Food Systems Summit 2021 and the National and Regional dialogues	Prof Adipala Ekwamu, RUFORUM Executive Secretary
1420-1430	Opening Remarks by Executive Director, Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (MAWLR)	Mr. Percy W Misika
1430-1440	Official opening by the Minister of MAWLR	Hon. Calle Schlettwein (TBC)
	<b>Analysis of Key drivers affecting Agriculture and Food Systems in Namibia</b>	
1440-1455	Key Note Paper: The Current status and issues affecting Agriculture and Food Systems in Namibia	Speaker to be identified
1455-1510	Lead paper: Analysis of the current STI Ecosystems in Namibia: Towards development of response capacity for development challenges and opportunities	Ministry of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation
1510-1530	<b>Discussion</b>	
1530-1540	Perspectives on addressing emerging challenges such as climate change and Environmental degradation	Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform to identify a Speaker
1540-1550	Perspectives on addressing postharvest issues: losses, value addition and enhancing food nutrition quality for different markets niches	University of Namibia

1550-1600	Perspectives on changing Human Demographics in Namibia and implication for Agriculture and Food Systems	Speaker to be identified
1600-1620	<b>Discussion</b>	
1620-1630	Perspectives on Human Capital Development and Research needs for Namibia	National Commission on Research Science and Technology (NCRST)
1630-1640	Perspectives on promoting inclusivity and addressing the needs of Smallholder farmers and Marketing opportunities	Speaker to be identified
1640-1650	Perspective on policy issues needed to strengthen Food System Interventions in Namibia	Ministry of Agriculture, Water, and Land Reform.
1650-1710	<b>Open Discussion</b>	Moderator
	<b>Closing Session</b>	
1710-1720	Summary of Emerging issues and recommendations for consideration by the Namibia Government	Speaker to be identified
1720-1730	Closing Remarks by Executive Director, MHETI	Mr. Alfred Adriaan Van Kent (TBC)