## **Africa Special Event**

## BUILDING AFRICA'S FOOD SOVEREIGNTY AND RESILIENCE THROUGH SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENTS

## (United Nations Inter-Departmental Task Force on African Affairs)-

## Agenda

| Date: 25 | July 2023, 10:30 – 11:30 hrs CET   |   |
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| Venue: I | -AO, Red Room – Rome, Italy  |   |
| Modalit  | y: Hybrid with no virtual live intervention as po  | er host country decision.   |
|          | of Ceremony: Ms. Folly Bah-Thibault, Lead An   |   |
| Time     | Topic  | Speaker   |
| 1 min    | Welcome  | <b>Ms. Folly Bah-Thibault,</b> Lead Anchor,<br>Aljazeera  |
| 5 min    | Opening remarks and setting the stage  | <b>Ms. Amina J. Mohammed,</b> United Nations Deputy Secretary-General   |
| 5 min    | Keynote address  | H. E. Dr. Hassan Sheikh Mohamoud, President of the Federal Republic of Somalia  |
| 5 min    | Keynote address  | <b>H.E. Mr. Bernard Goumou,</b> Prime Minister of the Republic of Guinea  |
| 5 min    | Keynote address  | H.E. Dr. Fitsum Assefa, Minister of Planning and Development of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia   |
| 5 min    | Keynote address  | <b>H.E. Mr. Ildephonse Musafiri,</b> Minister of Agriculture and Animal Resources of the Republic of Rwanda   |
| 14 min   | Panel discussion 1 - Main multilateral   | Moderated by Ms. Folly Bah-Thibault,  |
|          | actors   | Lead Anchor, Aljazeera  |
|          | <ul> <li>African financing agenda for food system transformation and the priority actions</li> </ul>           | H.E.Ms. Josepha Sacko, Commissioner for<br>Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue<br>Economy and Sustainable Environment,<br>African Union Commission |
|          | - FAO's support to investment finance in agriculture in Africa   | <b>Mr. QU Dongyu,</b> Director General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations   |
|          | - IFAD's support to investment finance in agriculture in Africa  | <b>Mr. Alvaro Lario,</b> President, International Fund for Agricultural Development   |
|          | - WFP's support to investment finance in agriculture in Africa   | <b>Ms. Cindy McCain</b> , Executive Director, World Food Programme  |
| 14 min   | Panel discussion 2 - Bridging multilateral and private sector  | Moderated by Ms. Folly Bah-Thibault,<br>Lead Anchor, Aljazeera  |
|          | <ul> <li>Priority actions to implement the African financing agenda for food systems transformation</li> </ul> | <b>Dr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki,</b> Special Envoy on Food Systems of the African Union  |

|       | <ul> <li>Priority actions to realize the agenda under<br/>domestic resource mobilization, public<br/>expenditures, support to and de-risking of<br/>sustainable private Finance, and financial<br/>inclusion in Africa</li> </ul> | <b>Dr. Agnes Kalibata,</b> President of the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa |
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|       | - Priority actions for improved support to  | <b>Dr. Babafemi Oyewole,</b> Chief Executive  |
|       | smallholders farmers with financing tailored to their needs   | Officer, Pan-African Farmers Organization   |
|       | - Priority actions for improved support to  | Ms. Ndidi Nwuneli, Founder/Executive  |
|       | women and youth with financing tailored to their needs  | Chair - African Food Changemakers   |
| 5 min | Discussion  | Moderated by Ms. Folly Bah-Thibault,  |
|       |   | Lead Anchor, Aljazeera  |
| 1 min | Closing remarks   | Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, United Nations   |
|       |   | Deputy Secretary-General  |