



MEETING OF THE FOOD CRISIS PREVENTION NETWORK IN THE SAHEL AND WEST AFRICA

16 - 17 April 2009

Room CC5, OECD Conference Centre, 2 rue André Pascal, 75016 Paris

AGENDA

Expected Results:

- ✓ A decisive analysis of the food and nutritional situation in the Sahel and West Africa;
- ✓ Recommendations of concrete measures and policy prospects for the prevention and management of possible food and nutritional crises;
- ✓ Concrete proposals for the implementation of the negotiation phase of the Food Aid Charter revision process.

Thursday 16 April 2009

→Morning

9.00 – 9.30	Welcome, coffee
9.30 – 10.00	Opening and Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Introduction</i> by Mr. Normand Lauzon, SWAC Director• <i>Introductory Statement</i> by Mr. Ousseini Salifou, ECOWAS Commissioner for Agriculture, Environment and Water Resources• <i>Words of Welcome</i> by Prof. Alhousseini Bretaudeau, CILSS Executive Secretary• <i>Opening of the Meeting</i> by Mr. Mario Amano, OECD Deputy Secretary-General• <i>Presentation and adoption of the programme</i>, by Mr. Léonidas Hitimana, SWAC Programme Officer
10.00 – 17.30	Session 1: Assessment of the food and nutritional situation in the Sahel and West Africa Chair: Mr. Jorge Oliveira, Food Security and Natural Resources Advisor
10.00 – 11.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Definitive results of the 2008/2009 agricultural campaign, by Mr. Brahim Sidibé, Head of the Information & Research Department, CILSS/CRA• The market (cereal and cattle) situation and food prospects in 2009, by Mr. Salif Sow, regional representative (FEWS NET) and Mr. Moussa Cissé, Co-ordinator PRA/markets - CILSS/SE• At-risk zones and planned actions to mitigate a possible crisis, by Mr. Amadou Mactar Konaté, Food Security Expert, PREGEC/Instruments Division (CILSS/SE)
11.00 – 11.20	Break
11.20 – 12.30	Debate
12.30 -14.00	Lunch break

↳ Afternoon

14.00 – 15.00	Session 1 (cont'd):
15.00 – 15.40	International community's short- and medium-term policy responses to the food crises: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation of outcomes of the 12-13 February meeting at the OECD on donors' response to the rising prices of food commodities, by Mr. Peter Bieler, OECD Development Co-operation Directorate (DCD);• Development partners' actions in response to the food situation: ECHO, FFP/OFDA/USAID, OCHA, WFP, etc.
15.40 – 16.00	Questions and Comments
16.00 – 16.10	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.10-16.45	Discussion (cont'd)
16.45-17.00	Summary and exchange of views on the key elements to take into account in the final press release on the food situation and the appropriate measures to be undertaken.
17.00-18.00	Session 2: Exchange of views on the setting up of a network with the offices responsible for the management of national food security stocks in the Sahel and West Africa
17.00 – 17.10	Chair: Mr. Bruno Vindel, AFD
17.00 – 17.10	Presentation: State positions (Benin, Burkina Faso, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal) on the setting up of a network with the offices responsible for the management of national food security stocks in the Sahel and West Africa, by Mr. Adamou Chaïffou, Director General - OPVN Niger
17.10 – 18.00	Debate
18.00	End of working day

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9.00 – 10.00	Session 3: Implementation of the negotiation phase of the Food Aid Charter revision process
9.00 – 9.10	Chair: Mr. Dramane Coulibaly, Co-ordinator PRA/SA-LCD-POP DEV/CILSS Introduction of the consultation process for the Charter's adoption, by Mr. Jean Sibiri Zoundi, SWAC Head of Unit, Rural Transformation & Sustainable Development
9.10 – 10.00	Discussion and exchange of views on resource mobilisation for the validation of the draft updated Charter.
10.00 – 11.00	Exchange of views on the final draft press release on the food situation and response recommendations
11.00 – 11.10	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.10 – 11.40	Exchange of views on the organisation of the 25th RPCA Annual Meeting
11.40 – 12.00	Closing - Chair: Mr. Normand Lauzon, SWAC Director <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Intervention on the food and nutritional security stakes in the Sahel and West Africa, by Mr. Ousseini SALIFOU, ECOWAS Commissioner for Agriculture, Environment and Water Resources• Closing of the meeting by Prof. Alhousseïni Bretaudeau, CILSS Executive Secretary

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