



Draft Work Programme 2016

Platform's work stream on: Nutrition and agricultural Development

1. Description of objectives, activities and their relevance

Objective 1: Bring a more **nutrition-sensitive approach** to donors' portfolios of agriculture and food security

[Nutrition-sensitive agriculture \(NSA\)](#) is an approach that seeks to maximize agriculture's contribution to nutritionally rich foods, dietary diversity, and food fortification. It also targets poor households, promotes gender equity, and provides nutrition education so that household resources are used to improve household members' nutrition, especially that of women and young children. Finally, it involves linking agriculture to sectors that address other causes of malnutrition, namely education, health and social protection.

- **Activity 1.1:** Review and share the **state-of-the-art** of NSA within the group as well as with platform focal points (at least 3 telcos). Responsible: all work stream members with the support of the Secretariat
- **Activity 1.2:** Continuously **share information** regarding donor work and policies on NSA interventions (at least 3 interviews and 3 virtual briefings in 2016), thereby paying special attention to gender topics. Responsible: all work stream members with the support of the Secretariat.
- **Activity 1.3:** Organise **workshop** together with Rome-based agencies (RBAs), Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) and Private Sector Organizations (PSOs) on practical principles and examples for agriculture and rural development (ARD) programmes to deliver nutrition outcomes (followed by joint Donor Platform publication contingent to the results of the workshop). Lead: IADC (Italy)

Objective 2: Improve Coordination with the [Scaling Up Nutrition \(SUN\) movement](#) (refers to all [SDGs and anchored in SDG 2](#))

SUN is a unique Movement founded on the principle that all people have a right to food and good nutrition. It unites people —from governments, civil society, the United Nations, donors, businesses and researchers— in a collective effort to improve nutrition, with a core focus on empowering women. Within the SUN Movement, 56 Countries have committed to coordinating approaches to address identified gaps in the field of malnutrition.

- **Activity 2.1:** Participate in monthly **telcos** of the **SUN Donor Network** and share relevant developments with the nutrition work stream. Responsible: Secretariat
- **Activity 2.2:** Share **In Practice briefs** of the SUN movement within the nutrition working group. Responsible: Secretariat
- **Activity 2.3:** Reporting and **sharing information with larger platform**. Responsible: Secretariat



Objective 3: Contribute to **food safety** (focus on Aflatoxin, Fumonisin, Ochratoxin & sanitary and phytosanitary or SPS measures) **in developing countries**

There is general consensus that exposure to unsafe or contaminated food products results in serious health problems and threatens food and nutrition security. Multiple efforts are undertaken by donors at the country level; however, these actions are often scattered and uncoordinated. A multidisciplinary approach for analysis, action and solutions could thus contribute to better donor coordination and harmonization.

- **Activity 3.1:** Continue knowledge exchange with other food safety stakeholders such as the [Partnership for Aflatoxin Control in Africa \(PACA\)](#) and the [African European Partnership on Agricultural Research for Development \(PAEPARD\)](#) and share information with work stream and Platform focal points (through e-updates, email, web stories etc.). Responsible: all work stream members with the support of the Secretariat
- **Activity 3.2:** Continue knowledge exchange on the expansion of food safety considerations in value chains within the Initiative “**One World – No Hunger**”, and in bilateral German development programs. Lead: BMZ
- **Activity 3.3:** Support of **high level breakfast at CAADP partners meeting** on food safety (12 April). The goals of the meeting are to secure high level champions on the continent at government level but also high level donor commitment towards no susceptible value chain projects without mitigation. Lead: Lynn Brown
- **Activity 3.4:** Call attention to the **gender dimension of food safety** (through a webinar or virtual briefing). Responsible: all work stream members with the support of the Secretariat

Objective 4: Improve **knowledge exchange** / establish **community of practice**.

In order to improve and facilitate knowledge exchange and mutual support among donors, more proactive ways of communicating shall be explored. A community of practice would allow for improved donor harmonization and coherence through more frequent and direct communication. In practice, a mailing list for subscription could be created to share experiences and provide practical assistance with regard to specific questions or a project for review or feedback on a design or an indicator.

- **Activity 4.1:** Identify **scope, orientation and user restrictions** of such a community. Responsible: all work stream members under the lead of Lynn Brown
- **Activity 4.2:** Create a **mailing list for subscription** depending on outcome of 4.1. Responsible: Secretariat

2. Timeframe & budget

Leaders	Objectives / Activities	Secretariat tasks	Timeframe	Work Plan activity	Budget
	1.1 Review and share the state-of-the-art of NSA within the group as well as with platform focal points (at least 3 telcos).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft short recap on previous work stream activities surrounding NSA • Prepare and follow up on telcos • Feed telco outcomes in recap and share within the Group and with Platform focal points 	Recap: mid-April Preparation: ongoing Telco 1: May Telco 2: June Telco 3: August	Activity 1.1	No budget
	1.2 Continuously share information regarding donor work and policies on NSA interventions, thereby taking gender-specific issues into account (at least 3 interviews and 3 virtual briefings in 2016).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify potential interview and briefing topics in cooperation with work stream members • Identify interview partners and reach out to them • Identify specific and/or cross-cutting gender issues to be addressed in interviews and virtual briefings • Conduct interviews/prepare virtual briefings, share them with the group and upload them to the Platform website • Regular updates on donor activities 	Topic & interview partner identification: early May Conduct interviews: May, August, Nov. Prepare virtual briefings: June, Sept., Dec.	Activity 1.2	No budget
IADC Italy	1.3 Organise workshop together with RBAs, CSOs and PSOs on practical principles and examples for ARD programmes to deliver nutrition outcomes (followed by joint Donor Platform publication contingent to the results of the workshop).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support workshop organization administratively and financially • Compile practical principles and examples for NSA in ARD programmes prior to the workshop • Prepare joint Donor Platform publication in cooperation with work stream members 	Support workshop organization: ongoing Compile examples: tbd, prior to workshop Joint publication: after workshop (tbd)	Activity 1.3	M



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Secretariat	2.1 Participation in monthly telcos of the SUN Donor Network and update the nutrition work stream on relevant actions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reach out to SUN movement Secretariat and facilitator of the SUN Donor Network & participate in monthly telcos of the SUN Donor Network Provide summary of activities of the SUN Donor Network and share with Working Group 	ongoing/ monthly	Activity 2.1	No budget
	2.2 Share In Practice briefs of the SUN movement within the work stream.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forward briefs per mail to work stream and highlight priority topics 	July	Activity 2.2	No budget
	2.3 Reporting and sharing information with larger platform.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forward SUN summaries and briefs to focal points and other relevant Platform members 	ongoing	Activity 2.3	No budget
	3.1 Continue knowledge exchange with other food safety stakeholders such as PACA and PAEPARD, and share information with work stream and Platform focal points (through e-updates, email, web stories).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resumption of knowledge exchange with PACA and PAEPARD Prepare e-updates, web stories etc. 	ongoing	Activity 3.1	No budget
BMZ	3.2 Continue knowledge exchange on the expansion of food safety considerations in value chains within the Initiative “ One World – No Hunger ”, and in bilateral German development programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up with BMZ and GIZ on progress made Share information on achievements with the work stream 	Follow-up: April Progress report: May	Activity 3.2	No budget
Lynn Brown	3.3 Support of high level breakfast at CAADP partners meeting on food safety (12 April).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide organizational and financial support Prepare event summary and share 	Preparation: March & April Follow-up report and	Activity 3.3	No budget



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		with the working group Consider follow-up strategies	strategies: April		
	3.4 Call attention to the gender dimension of food safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine how the gender dimension can best be emphasized within the nutrition work stream (e.g. through a webinar or virtual briefing) Implement identified activities 	Identification: May Implementation: ongoing	Activity 3.4	No budget
Lynn Brown	4.1 Identify scope, orientation and user restrictions of a community of practice. Responsible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss ideas, reservations, user restrictions, orientation and scope of such a community within the nutrition work stream. 	tbd	Activity 4.1	No budget
	4.2 Create a mailing list for subscription in case the group decides to establish a community of practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinate technical requirements and efforts with IT support Identify potential users and encourage them to subscribe. 	tbd	Activity 4.2	tbd

M – will require a budget (“Money”), with minor costs possibly captured as part of the Global Donor Platform’s annual budgets