

CHGA Interactive: Ethiopia

A policy dialogue on rural livelihoods and food security/nutrition in the context of HIV/AIDS in Southern and Eastern Africa.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

08:00 – 09:00 REGISTRATION

09:00 – 10:00 **OPENING SESSION**

Chair: K. Y. Amoako

Welcome address by HE the President of Ethiopia

Opening remarks about the Commission by CHGA Commissioners

Overview of CHGA Interactive by CHGA Commissioner

10:00 – 13.00 **Session I – HIV/AIDS, rural livelihoods and food security/nutrition: core issues and challenges**

Chair: CHGA Commissioner

This session will aim to stimulate reflections as well as solicit stakeholder experiences and opinions on the challenges posed by HIV/AIDS for rural livelihoods, food security and nutrition in Africa. The session will be chaired by a CHGA Commissioner, introduced through three brief presentations by leading exponents of the area and followed by an open discussion. The critical points from this session will form the basis of Working Groups discussions in Session II with a view to eliciting the core recommendations to be fed into the Commission's Final Report.

Presentations

HIV/AIDS and rural livelihoods: What do we know? Impacts and mitigation strategies, by Joseph Tumushabe, Makerere University

Gender, HIV/AIDS and rural livelihoods: Addressing the challenges, by Gladys Mutangadura, ECA-SRO-Lusaka

Food security in the context of severe HIV epidemics: Key issues and challenges for policy and programming, by Daphne Topouzis, HIV/AIDS and food security Expert

13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch**

14:30 – 16:30 **Session II – Technical Discussions**

Chair: CHGA Commissioner

The afternoon session is devoted to more in-depth technical discussions. The aim is to consolidate and refine the morning's discussions into concrete policy and advocacy recommendations for the Commission. Participants meet in the plenary after lunch, where they will be requested to join one of the two breakaway working groups.

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Each working group is expected to identify the burning issues related to the group's topic, followed by a clear set of leadership challenges and/or messages for the CHGA.

Each working group will be requested to identify, through a process of self-selection within the group, a chair/moderator and rapporteur. The rapporteur will, with the support of the CHGA secretariat as required, report on the discussion outcomes in the final plenary session.

Working Group A: HIV/AIDS and Rural Livelihoods

Venue: Conference Room 4 - UNCC

Working Group B: HIV/AIDS and Food Security/Nutrition

Venue: 9th Floor Meeting Room – Main Building

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee/tea break

17:00 – 18:00 **CLOSING SESSION**

Chair: CHGA Commissioner

In this concluding session, the working groups report back to the plenary on the discussion outcomes and recommendations identified in the breakaway sessions.

19:30 **Opening ceremony, art exhibition & reception (TBC)**

CHGA will host an art exhibition on the core themes of stigma and discrimination. The exhibition will assemble works from eminent Ethiopian artists and will be co-hosted by the Alliance Francaise of Ethiopia. The exhibition will be followed by a reception.

Notes: Coffee/tea will be available throughout the meeting