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### Key drivers of success for agricultural transformation in Africa

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8h30-9h00 Registration

9h00-9h15 Introduction and Opening of the Briefing: *Isolina Boto, Manager, CTA Brussels Office*

**Introductory remarks:** *Klaus Rudischhauser, Deputy Director General Policy and Thematic Coordination, DG DEVCO, European Commission; Martin Bwalya, Head of the NEPAD/CAADP; Michael Hailu, Director, CTA*

#### 9h15-11h00 **Panel 1: Agriculture: a driving force for economic and social transformation in Africa**

This panel will provide an overview of the potential of agriculture in Africa as an engine for growth and sustainable development. It will show the positive trends and the needed drivers for sustained growth and inclusiveness.

Chair: *H.E. Mary M. Muchada, Ambassador of Zimbabwe*

##### Panellists:

- African agriculture in a changing global context: lessons learned  
*Steve Wiggins, Researcher, Agricultural Development and Policy Programme, ODI*
- Catalyzing Agricultural performance as a force for economic and social transformation  
*Martin Bwalya, Head of the NEPAD Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme*
- Job creation and entrepreneurship development in rural/farming communities  
*Ms Charity Mariene, Agricultural Counsellor, Embassy of Kenya*
- Financing African agriculture: perspective from the private sector financing institutions  
*Hans Balyamujura, Co-Founder/CEO, Zed Group Limited – Africa, Absa*

11h00-11h15 Coffee Break

#### 11h15-13h00 **Panel 2: Proven successes, best practices in African Agriculture**

This panel will present proven actions in African agriculture and best PPPs practices based on the successes of CAADP in the last 10 years. It will highlight successes which can be upscaled and/or replicated.

Chair: *Bernard Rey, Deputy Head of Unit/Food security, DG DEVCO, European Commission*

##### Panellists:

- Successes in agriculture and structural transformation in Africa  
*Ousmane Badiane, Director for Africa, International Food Policy Research Institute*
- Monitoring the progress of Maputo commitments towards agriculture in West Africa  
*Kalilou Sylla, Executive Secretary, ROPPA, West Africa*
- Domestic private sector engaging in agricultural-based PPPs: success factors  
*Nana Osei-Bonsu, CEO, Private Enterprise Federation, Ghana*
- Leveraging private investments in African agriculture  
*Ruth Rawling, Vice President of Public Affairs for Cargill Europe*

Concluding remarks

Networking lunch