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Food safety: a critical part of the food system in Africa

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ACP Secretariat, Avenue Georges Henri 451, 1200 Brussels
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Programme

08h00-09h00 Registration
09h00-09h15 Introduction to the Briefing: *Isolina Boto, Manager, CTA Brussels Office*

Introductory remarks: *Viwanou Gnassounou, Assistant-Secretary-General, ACP Secretariat; Leonard Mizzi, Acting Director Devco C, Planet and Prosperity and Head of Unit Rural Development, Food Security, Nutrition, Europeaid, European Commission; Lystra N. Antoine, CEO Global Food Safety Partnership; Michael Hailu, Director, CTA;*

09h15-11h00 Panel 1: Ensuring food safety along the entire food chain

This panel will provide an overview of food safety concepts, approaches and trends across Africa. It will present lessons learned from selected countries and the implications for the investments in the sector.

Panellists:

- Food Safety in Africa: Past Endeavors and Future Directions
Lystra N. Antoine, CEO, Global Food Safety Partnership
- Importance and experience building capacity of informal markets in SSA
Kristina Roesel, Jointly appointed scientist, Freie Universität Berlin and ILRI
- Market access for African countries agri-food products to the EU
Michael Scannell, Director for the Food Chain, DG Sante, European Commission
- Building capacity of public and private actors on food safety: best practices
Morag Webb, Policy Adviser, PIP-COLEACP

11h00-11h15 Coffee Break

11h15-13h00 Panel 2: Drivers for success for improving food safety in Africa

This panel will discuss investments in African food safety capacity to improve public health, food security, and economically beneficial market access for African food producers. It will feature public and private perspectives and best practices.

Panellists:

- Enabling the private sector to support food safety in domestic markets
Kelley Cormier, Division Chief, Bureau for Food Security, USAID
- The role of Farmers in ensuring safe food in the value chain
Elizabeth Nsimadala, Entrepreneur & President of Eastern Africa Farmer's Federation (EAFF)
- What role food safety play in Africa regional trade?
Chris Muyunda, Chairman of the Governing Council of CAADP Non State Actors Coalition

Closing remarks

13h00 Light Lunch