



WBCSD Climate-Smart Agriculture LCTPi

West-African Regional Dialogue - Ghana

- Date:** *Thursday October 8th 2015*
- Convened by:** *The World Business Council for Sustainable Development and Olam*
- Facilitator:** *Jim Stephenson (PwC)*
- Venue:** *The Royal Senchi Resort, Senchi Ferry Road, Akosombo, Ghana*
- Participants:** *CSA members and West-African WBCSD participants in the LCTPi*

The French Government will host the 21st Conference of the Parties (COP 21) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Paris. As part of this process, the French Government is pursuing a broad approach to not only arrive at a political agreement, but also facilitate the development of mitigation contributions by public and private entities. These contributions will articulate specific actions, which taken together will form a Solution Agenda that will help the global community avoid dangerous climate change and transition to a low-carbon economy.

The WBCSD is leading the private sector led contribution through the Low Carbon Technology Partnership initiative (LCTPi). The LCTPi is structured across key industry sectors, including agriculture and forests.

The LCTPi for agriculture is focused on Climate Smart Agriculture and is led by major global agribusinesses.

The overall ambition of the WBCSD CSA LCTPi towards 2030 is to produce 50% more available food and strengthen the climate resilience of farming communities whilst reducing agricultural and land-use change emissions from commercial agriculture by at least 3.7 Gt CO₂ eq/yr by 2030 (50%). By 2050 the target is to achieve a 65% emissions reduction.

The session will cover the work of the group to date and the findings of the West African Regional Dialogue.

The session is convened by the WBCSD Climate Smart Agriculture members chaired by Olam, PepsiCo, Monsanto and the Kellogg company in partnership with CCAFS and other leading NGOs.

The session is aimed at organisations in the agricultural value chain that have interests in West Africa and are seeking to scale up and collaborate on potential Climate Smart Agricultural solutions.

Agenda

TIME	FOCUS AREA
10:30	<p>Open, welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ co-chairs and representatives, CCAFS, facilitator Jim Stephenson, guests. • Antitrust notice • Introduction to the agenda • Group introductions • Statement of interest from participants
10:50	<p>Setting the scene for West-Africa The challenge for agriculture in West-Africa – 15 mins Thoughts from the group – 10 mins</p>
11:20	<p>LCTPi Background and Explanation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the LCTPi • What are the aims and objectives • How does the West-Africa Regional Dialogue fit in to the LCTPi • Objectives and expected results and how they will be used from West-Africa <p><i>Q and A</i></p> <p>Introduction to the LCTPi CSA Action Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Statement of Ambition • Presentation of the four priority action areas. <p><i>Open floor - Q and A</i></p>
11:40	<p>Introduction to Action Plan Break-Out Sessions Focus – What is the West African perspective on the Action Plan and what are the opportunities in the region to move each Action Area forward during 2016-2020</p>
11:45	<p>Group work – the group splits into four with their dedicated chair:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Building Smallholder Climate Resilience 2. Scaling Up Finance for CSA 3. Monitoring and Reporting 4. Zero Deforestation & Sustainable Landscapes
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30	<p>Finish up exercise Reporting back on group findings Longer plenary is needed for thorough discussion.</p>
14:30-15:00	Coffee break
15:00-16:00	<p>Final exercise – Post COP 21 & SDGs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group convenes in plenary after having discussed the biggest CSA opportunities for West-Africa and the conditions needed to bring about optimal CSA benefits. • As a group – determine the three top things the group wants from the Paris agreement that will fast track CSA performance in West-Africa and how the SDG process can support CSA