

Toward the AU-EU R&I Platform

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The EU expectations

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EU-AU R&I ministries are discussing about 4 main areas of collaboration:

1. Public health
2. Green transition,
3. Innovation and technology,
4. Capacity for science.

FNSSA Partnership in R&I should contribute with knowledge and innovation to develop a sustainable long-term platform for collaboration for which a long-term governance mechanism needs to be created. This mechanism will ensure:

- exchange of info among projects,
- synergies between different funding instruments (including private and public funding),
- platform open to the R&I community.

Platform features:

1. sustainability
2. flexibility,
3. innovation.

The Open Consultation

Carlo Sansiviero

Services that the platform should provide:

- Offers and opportunity for mobility and connectivity (R&I institutions);
- Training requests and opportunities (Cap. build institutions);
- Information on funding opportunities (Farmers);

Factors that can ensure the future sustainability:

- User-friendly and accessible services;
- High quality of services provided;
- Ensure EU-AU institutions participation

The background paper

Norhan El Dallal

Governance:

- Create synergies between the many R&I programmes,

initiatives and actors with the aim of building on their experience

- Capacity to reflect and learn together is crucial in MSPs. It creates a shared vision among partners and allows to re-thing the strategy
- Effective M&E to monitor targets, measure progress, and take corrective actions
- Bridge the missing middle between global scale and national level capacities
- Sustainability of platform

Communication & Functions:

- A digital platform
- Communication (internal and external)
- Best practice catalogue as a reference
- Boost innovation by showcasing solutions that work, supporting creativity and expertise of all stakeholders.
- Innovation and enhanced use of technologies, digitalization, data and analytics to inform decisions by policy makers, producers, private firms, investors, development partners, consumers etc

Stakeholder Involvement:

- Supporting a vibrant private sector, including SMEs to create quality jobs
- Reduce the hassle of identifying partners in R&I, finding appropriate funding opportunities and contributing to relevant policy developments.
- Engage in a dialogue with the food industry and co-create the future food system
- Build a consumer-centric connected food system developing a digital food supply network with consumers and industry as equal partners

The SEW inputs

Melissa Plath

Key messages:

- joint design, ownership, management & resourcing key features
- based on a strong political momentum
- new fuel from emerging policies and funding
- divers and rich landscape

features:

- sustainable
- inclusive
- democratic

The Platform idea

Stefan Haffner

Draft elements from the WAEA & NAEA processes for ...

- Theories of Change and Impact Pathways (TCIP)
- Multi-stakeholder Communication Concepts
- Interfaces Concepts for Data and Knowledge Management
- Sorting House Networks and Mechanism
- Dialogues for Action

... to feed the next milestone of the Platform process (IRC)

Jonas Mugabe

expected IRC services:

- increase impact of initiatives
- optimize utilization of results
- knowledge base
- learning environment
- access to funding opportunities
- higher visibility
- participation in governance

sustainability:

- commitment of funders
- founder institutions commit resources
- EU-AU FNSSA roadmap
- EU-AU collaboration
- Added value for HLPD

Claudio Bogliotti

The platform should comply with the following principles:

- equal footing
- balanced partnership
- resources - funding access
- responding to needs

The SHs expectations

Henning Knipschild

FNSSA AU-EU Partnership as a "Game changer":

- Systematically scale resources to meet investment gaps
- Change from aspirational mode to action on the basis of „joint business plans“

Prudence Makhura

- ensuring the partnership to be involved, cross-sector;
- ensure easy access to information;
- co-creation;
- ensure coherence and consistency
- inclusivity
- address the regional challenges at different level

Eric Mwangi

a limited number of AU countries and institutions applies for call. It is important to improve EU-AU partnership.

Mary Obodai

Involvement of SHs since the beginning in the process of platform building.

Magloire Oteyami

Innovation can support traditional food system, ensuring food security, improving production using less resources. R&I platform could help to monitor the process.
