Seminar on Staple Crops Processing Zones (SCPZs)

Programme
Build Your Staple Crop Processing Zone’ Workshop

08:30 – 09:15 Registration & Welcoming Participants
Moderator

09:15 – 09:25 Introductory Remarks
Mr. Mohamed El AZIZI, Regional Director General, North, African Development Bank
Moderator

09:25 – 09:35 Seminar Official Opening
Mr. Slim FERIANI, Minister of Industry and SMEs, Tunisia
Moderator

09:35 – 09:45 Overview of the Workshop
Mr. Lassaad Lachaal, Chief Capacity Development Officer, African Development Institute (African Development Bank)
Former Minister of Agriculture of Tunisia and FAO Resident Representative in Niger
Moderator

09:45 – 9:50 Setting the Stage (Video Clip)
“Transforming African Agriculture: The Agro-Industrial Approach”
Moderator

09:50 – 10:00 Build Your Staple Crop Processing Zone
Mr. Olagoke OLADAPPO, Division Manager, Rural Infrastructure Development, African Development Bank

10:00 – 10:20 African Experience of Staple Crops Processing Zones and Key Success Factors (KSF)
Ms. Atsuko TODA, Director, Agricultural Finance and Rural Development, African Development Bank

10:20 – 10:50 Staple Crop Processing Zone: A Multi-Actor Concept
Expert Panel from Tunisia (Policy, Agency, Private Sector, Finance and Producer)
Moderator

10:50 – 11:10 Coffee break

Thematic Discussion Areas for SCPZ

11:10 – 11:50 Policy Environment and Institutional Arrangements for a successful SCPZ
Fire Starter: Mr. Ousmane BADIANE, International Food Policy Research Institute
Recap: Mr. Mpoko BOKANGA, African Development Bank
11:50 – 12:30 Promoting Rapid Rural Development: Smart Infrastructure for Agro-Industrialization
Orateur: Ms. Samia Maamer, Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Tunisia
Recap: Mr. Mamadou Kane, African Development Bank

12:30 – 14:00 Networking Lunch

14:00 – 14:50 Private Sector Engagement in SCPZ: What Role for Anchor Investors?
Fire Starter: Mr. Kamel BELKAHIA, CEO, Bizerte Technopole
Recap: Mr. Duncan Mwesige, African Development Bank

14:50 – 15:40 Linkages and Interconnections in Agriculture Value Chains
Fire Starter: Mr. Dejene TEZERA, United Nations Industrial Development Organization
Recap: Mr. Mpoko BOKANGA, African Development Bank

15:40 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 16:50 Enterprise Financing within the SCPZs
Fire Starter: Ms. Nomathemba Mhlanga, PhD
Agribusiness Officer (Development), FAO / Sub-regional Office (SFE)
Recap: Mr. Alaya BARA, African Development Bank

16:50 – 17:30 Wrap Up and Business Plan Submission
Moderator

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February 13, 2018

SCPZs and African agricultural transformation (Visit of the Technopole of Bizerte)

08:00 Departure for Bizerte

09:30 – 09:45 Introduction to Bizerte Technopole
Mr. Kamel BELKAHIA, CEO, Bizerte Technopole

09:45 – 12:45 Visit to the Technopole
Tunisian delegation in coordination with the Moderator

12:45 – 13:45 Networking Lunch

13:45 – 14:25 Concept & Essentials Requirements for success
Ms. Atsuko TODA, Director, Agricultural Finance and Rural Development, African Development Bank

14:25 – 15:05 Working Group (Finalization of Business Plans)
Moderator

15:05 – 15:15 Coffee Break

15:15 – 15:45 Wrap Up and Business Plan Validation
Moderator

15:45 – 16:00 Next Steps: Options for selected countries
Mr. Olagoke OLADADIO, Division Manager, Rural Infrastructure Development, African Development Bank
February 14, 2018
SCPZ Clinic with Selected Countries

08:30 – 08:45 Introduction on Methodology
08:45 – 12:00 Clinic Session for Business Plans