

**Pre-event: 3-4 September 2023 | Summit: 5-8 September 2023**

**Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania**

**Program Summary  
 (All Times in East African Time)**

**Overview**

With food systems facing unprecedented challenges from climate change, population growth, and other pressing issues, the need for transformative action has never been more urgent. Africa's Food Systems Forum 2023 Summit (AGRF 2023) will be the defining moment in highlighting and unlocking the political, policy, and financial commitments and innovations the continent has made and continues to work towards achieving. The summit seeks to explore the pathways and actions needed to accelerate this process and steer the continent toward food systems transformation under the theme "Recover, Regenerate, Act: Africa's Solutions to Food Systems Transformation." The AGRF 2023 will provide a platform to reflect on the coordinated large-scale action by the continent's leading thinkers, policymakers, and innovators to explore the latest breakthroughs and best practices in agriculture and food systems transformation. to accelerate action toward translating pathways and commitments made into actionable strategies, investments, and progress on the ground.

**Venue**

Africa's Food Systems Forum 2023 Summit (AGRF 2023) will take place at the Julius Nyerere International Convention Centre (JNICC) in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania.

**Join us for AGRF 2023 Summit.**

**PLENARY SESSIONS**

These plenary sessions feature pre-eminent speakers taking a deep dive into the various themes and unpacking issues pertinent to African food systems.

**PARALLEL SESSIONS**

Parallel sessions will advance AGRF's thematic platforms, which have been prioritized for the AGRF to deliver under its current strategy against its priority goals. Each session will include special interactive elements, insightful panels, and breakouts to get your feedback.

**FIELD VISITS**

Site visits to projects or facilities will allow attendees to experience food systems solutions firsthand. These will possess a strong process orientation and appreciation of the agricultural value chain. It is a great opportunity to provide insights and direct experience with real-life initiatives and activities.

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## FOOD SYSTEMS PATHWAYS

This session features fascinating headlines, thought-provoking plenary sessions focusing on food systems pathways, and perspectives from regional dialogues from East, South, Central, West, and North Africa. Presidents, CEOs, and urban agriculture specialists will inspire action on African food systems.

## SIDE EVENTS

A set of side events will be hosted by different organizations on Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. These will feature diverse speakers and programs showcasing initiatives and possibilities in transforming African Food Systems. All AGRF Side Events will be themed around Diversity and Inclusion this year. The side events are therefore expected to be gender diverse, inclusive to youth, and centered around the main theme of the AGRF 2023.

[Applications for side events is now open until June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – submit your application](#)

## SPECIAL EVENTS

AGRF 2023 will feature a set of special events designed to showcase ideas and trending innovations by the youth, farmers, and business leaders.

## PARTICIPATORY EVENTS

During the midday break, you can stretch your world, interact with the exhibition space, and engage in Participatory events. Polls, interactive spaces, and opportunities to interact with other participants will particularly serve online audiences.

## COMMITMENTS SHOWCASE

These will be 15-minute highlights from key stakeholders and actors in the space highlighting initiatives and commitments to transform food systems and accelerate Africa's delivery of the 2030 targets.

## FAST FORWARD

A platform for experts and other stakeholders to share and explore innovative finance solutions. There will be rapid-fire and interactive discussions. The session will be focused on Finance and Investments with parallel sessions on: Food Systems in Africa, Climate Change, Youth & Women, Digital & Technology, and Infrastructure.

## CEO CHAT

An interactive parallel panel of distinguished leaders discussing key insights on shaping the future of food systems. Sharing of innovative and sustainable food systems practices to tackle global challenges. Influential industry speakers address the audience on critical food systems topics, including youth and women, as well as digital and innovative financing.

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## DEAL ROOM

This matchmaking platform will be embedded throughout the main program and weekly feature sessions, including the Tanzania Deal Room kickstarting the event. The Deal room will serve as a platform to facilitate partnerships and investments.

## GOOD MORNING AGRF

Each morning, youth coming from GoGettaZ, from the host country, and various youth organizations will get us excited about the tracks and events of the day.

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