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Voices from the field: participatory approaches of Climate smart agriculture practices, Farmer field schools and indigenous Chakra systems

Green Zone (Tower Base North Auditorium)



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Description of the event

Promoting community-based approaches is crucial to finding concrete, adapted and sustainable solutions to climate change in the agriculture sector because it enables integrating scientific insights into local knowledge systems, and empowering local actors to take the lead role in improving their production systems. Organized by FAO in collaboration with the Government of Senegal, the Government of Quebec, the Ministry of Ecological Transition of Italy, the Government of Zambia and the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture of Germany, this event aims at highlighting the potential of community-based, bottom-up strategies in agriculture to implement and scale up climate change commitments. In particular, the event will showcase three approaches that leverage this potential: Farmer Field Schools (FFS), indigenous Chakra systems and Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA).

Agenda

Facilitator: Mr Martial Bernoux – Senior Natural Resources Officer, FAO

SPEECH		SPEAKER
Opening Remarks		Ms Ceris Jones – Senior climate change adviser at the UK National Farmers Union, UNFCCC Focal Point for Farmers' Constituency
Case studies	Climate Smart Agriculture in Zambia	Ms Eularia Zulu – Farmer and Chairperson, Chongwe District Agribusiness Hub Dr Petan Hamazakaza – Principal Research Officer, Zambia Agriculture Research Institute
	Gender-sensitive FFS in Senegal	Ms Alimatou Badji – Agricultural Technician, Association for the Promotion of the Senegalese Woman (APROFES), Senegal Mr Lamine Diatta – Program Officer, Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU), Climate Change Division, Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Senegal
	CSA and Chakra systems in Ecuador	Mr Geovanny Enriquez – Coordinator of the CSA Cocoa Project, FAO Ecuador
	Agroecology and FFS in India	Mr Vijay Kumar – Special Chief Secretary, Natural Farming, Government of Andhra Pradesh, India
	Farmer Field and Business Schools on Tanzania	Mr Karl Deering – Strategic Partnerships Lead, Food and Water System team, CARE, USA Mr Damian Lubuva – Irrigation and Cooperative Officer (DAICO) at Mufindi District Agriculture office, Government of Tanzania
Concluding remarks		Ms Tasila Banda – National Project Coordinator for the Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Project (ZIFLP) and UNFCCC focal point