



ALLIANCE FOR AFRICAN
PARTNERSHIP
DESIGN WORKSHOP

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Welcome

Welcome to the Alliance for African Partnership Design Workshop. We are excited to have you! This booklet has been created to guide and inform you during your workshop experience. It contains key information about the workshop including an agenda, a few questions and responses, and a list of participant biographies.

What is the African Studies Center?

The African Studies Center at Michigan State University has been a leader both nationally and internationally in scholarship, outreach, teaching and partnership building. Our rich history of engagement in Africa traces back more than a half-century. Today MSU has more than 60 active research and development projects in Africa, including work in food, agriculture, health, and education. MSU's dedication to real-world engagement is exemplified by its continuous efforts to bridge the gap between intellectual contributions and programmatic activities, between community and classroom, between academic excellence, social activism, and improved policies.

What is the Alliance for African Partnership?

The Alliance for African Partnership (AAP) will promote innovative modes of collaborative research and partnership with African institutions to address emerging challenges in today's world. It will be designed to support and expand upon MSU's ongoing activities with African partner institutions and to promote new areas for collaboration in addressing challenges that are commonly shared in Africa and globally—be they youth under- and unemployment; climate change; food insecurity; health and nutritional challenges; gender inequalities; cultural heritage preservation; or the promotion of good governance and institution building.

What is the Vision of the AAP?

The Alliance for African Partnership will promote new long-term collaboration between MSU and African partner organizations to address today's global challenges, building on and branching out from MSU's substantial current activities in Africa. The AAP will innovate new models of engagement between MSU and our African partner institutions that respond to the changing landscape of African development; provide opportunities for new teams of MSU and African researchers; build long-term scholarly capacity at both MSU and African research institutions; and demonstrate the value of long-term collaboration between African and international universities in enhancing the quality of life globally.

Agenda

Day 1: Tuesday May 10, 2016

8:00 AM ● REGISTRATION

30 min

8:30 AM ○ WELCOME & COMMENTS: LOU ANNA K. SIMON, MSU PRESIDENT

20 min

8:50 AM ○ OVERVIEW OF AAP DESIGN WORKSHOP

30 min

9:20 AM ○ INVITED GUEST PRESENTATIONS WITH Q&A

1 hr 15 min

10:35 AM ● BREAK

20 min

10:55 AM ○ INVITED GUEST PRESENTATIONS WITH Q&A (CONTINUED)

1 hr 20 min

12:15 PM ● LUNCH

60 min

1:15 PM ○ WORKSHOP KICK-OFF

30 min

1:45 PM ○ PARTICIPANT INTRODUCTIONS

60 min

2:45 PM ● BREAK

20 min

3:05 PM ○ UNDERSTANDING CONTEXT & TRENDS

60 min

4:05 PM ○ MAPPING STAKEHOLDERS

40 min

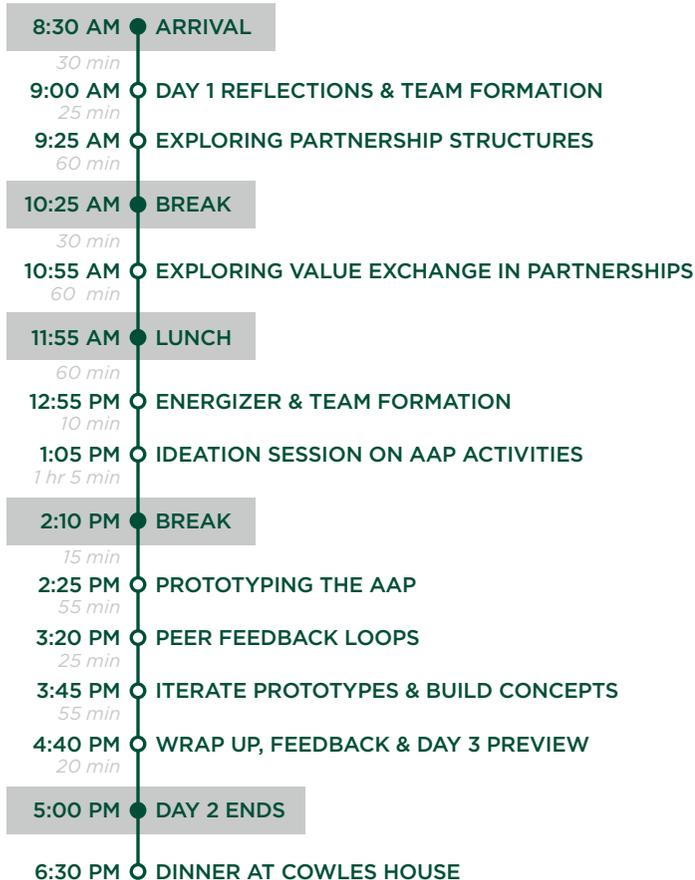
4:45 PM ○ WRAP UP, FEEDBACK & DAY 2 PREVIEW

15 min

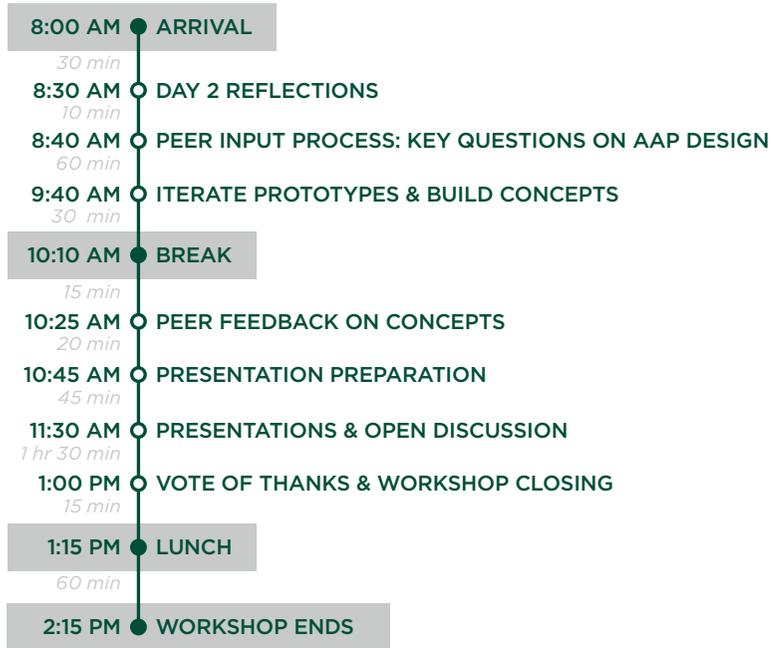
5:00 PM ● DAY 1 ENDS

6:30 PM ○ RECEPTION AT THE ELI & EDYTHE BROAD MUSEUM

Day 2: Wednesday May 11, 2016



Day 3: Thursday May 12, 2016



Workshop Questions & Answers

Why was I invited?

MSU faculty and staff identified and recommended African participants who have breadth and depth of experience in research, capacity building and international partnership. The participants that were invited are leaders and innovators in their respective fields and each also brings with them broad institutional perspective on the global challenges the AAP seeks to address.

MSU faculty participants are all engaged in scholarly activities in Africa and have experience in managing research and/or capacity strengthening activities with African organizations. They represent a diversity of disciplines and professional ranks to ensure a rich discussion that includes multiple perspectives.

What's the purpose?

The goal of this convening is to consider new ways that MSU and its partners in Africa can work together to address the emerging challenges of the new Millennium. The focus of the workshop will be on partnerships—understanding previous experiences with partnership, identifying the crucial elements of partnership, and innovating new ways to expand the range of effective and sustainable partnerships to promote research, teaching, outreach, and mutual capacity building. The outcomes of the 2.5-day AAP workshop will be used to guide the formation of the new Alliance for African Partnership: its priorities, activities and initial resource commitments.

What key areas will we focus on?

- 1** Identifying Principles of Good/
Effective Partnerships
- 2** Designing Partnership
Activities
- 3** Modeling the AAP Structure
& Defining Next Steps

How will I know if it was a success?

The AAP workshop will be considered successful if it generates innovative and actionable approaches and models for partnership, identifies and elaborates potential partnership activities, and produces recommendations for the structure and governance of the AAP.

What's next?

The first step for the AAP following the workshop will be to disseminate our findings to the public. Informed by the outcome of the workshop, we will then move forward to create a governance structure and to develop the initial phase of partnership activity.

Participant Biographies

Invited Participants

Aggrey Ambali is Head of NEPAD Science, Technology and Innovation Hub (NSTIH). He oversees programs in science, technology and innovation, education and health under the human development thematic area. At NEPAD, he has served as Director of Policy Alignment and Programme Development; Advisor on science and technology and Coordinator of the African Biosciences Initiative (ABI). He also coordinated the development of the Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy, 2014-2024 of the African Union. Prior to joining NEPAD, he served as Professor of Biology at the University of Malawi.

Thelma Awori was Founding Chair and President of the Sirleaf Market Women's Fund, named for Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Africa's first female president. The fund helps build decent workplaces for thousands of market women. She also established the Institute for Social Transformation to develop leadership and critical thinking skills among women. She has served in organizations such as the Hairou Commission and Femme African Solidarity. She also served as a member of the Civil Society Advisory Group to the Secretary General on UN Security Council Resolution 1325.

Chimwemwe Chamdimba is a Senior Programme Officer at the AU/NEPAD Agency in the Industrialization, Science, Technology, and Innovation Hub. She is an Agricultural Economist from Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Malawi. She previously served in the Programmes Coordinating Office of Bunda College and lectured on Agricultural Statistics and Computers. She has worked as a project officer for the Malawi National Assembly's Budget and Finance Committee. Her areas of interest in research include industrialization, innovation and agricultural productivity, and policy analysis.

Sosten Chiotha is the Regional Director of the Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD) Southern and Eastern Africa. LEAD is collaborating with partners to implement research and development projects on climate change adaptation, ecosystem services and capacity building on the linkage between population, environment and development. He is a Board member of the African Institute for Development Policy (AFIDEP). He has been involved in drafting the Malawi National Environmental Action Plan (NEAP) and recently in drafting the Malawi Climate Change Policy and Malawi Meteorological Policy.

Nango Dembélé currently serves as Minister of Livestock and Fisheries in the Government of Mali. He has over 30 years of experience working on food policy issues in West Africa. 2013-2014, he was Deputy Minister of Rural Development in charge of Livestock, Fisheries and Food Security. In this role, he worked with local and international industries to attract private investment in agricultural value-chains and promote outgrower schemes. For 15 years prior, he was an MSU faculty member based in Mali and coordinated MSU's West African collaborative food security research and outreach programs.

Chinwe Effiong is an International Development Specialist with over 20 years' experience. Most recently, as the Africa Regional President for Junior Achievement (JA) Worldwide, she provided strategic direction and oversight for JA operations in sub-Saharan Africa. She worked with governments, civil society and the private sector to raise awareness and promote programs to improve youth livelihoods. Prior to joining JA, she was Director of Programs for Discovery Channel Global Education Partnership. In addition, she is a creative writer, motivational speaker, wife and mother of three children.

Chance Kabaghe is the Executive Director of the Indaba Agricultural Policy Research Institute (IAPRI). He is also the Chairman of the Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes in Eastern and Southern Africa (ReNAPRI). With more than 25 years in agricultural policy and agri-business, Mr. Kabaghe is one of Zambia's leading agribusiness professionals. He has wide experience in the agri-business, government, public policy and academia, all at very high and strategic levels and, with broad impact on key areas affecting agricultural development.

Denis T. Kyetere is Executive Director of the African Agricultural Technology Foundation (AATF). Before joining AATF he was Director General of Uganda's National Agricultural Research Organisation (NARO). His leadership and management experience spans across many regional organisations, networks, and committees: the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA), Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa (ASARECA), Eastern and Central Africa Maize & Wheat Research Network (ECAMAW) and Coffee Research Network (CORNET) where he served as Chairperson.

Mwelecele Ntuli Malecela is Director General of the National Institute for Medical Research Tanzania and is the first woman to hold this position. She is Chief Research Scientist and Director of the Tanzania Lymphatic Filariasis Elimination Program. Her area of specialization was filarial immunology specifically on filarial immune evasion mechanisms. She chairs the Medical Research Coordinating Committee (MRCC), which is the main body responsible for oversight of health research in the country and is currently Vice President of the International Association of Public Health Institutes (IANPHI).

Richard Mkandawire is currently Vice President of the African fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership, a non-profit organization committed to increasing use of fertilizer among smallholder farmers in Africa. For 8 years, he was a leader in the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP), which began as part of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) to eliminate hunger and reduce poverty through agriculture. Mkandawire came to CAADP and AFAP with decades of experience as a socio-economist and rural development expert.

Penina Mlama is a Professor in the Department of Fine and Performing Arts at the University of Dar-es-Salaam (UDSM). She is currently the Mwalimu Julius Nyerere Chair in Pan African Studies at UDSM. She has held many positions at UDSM including Head of the former Department of Arts, Music, and Theatre, Associate Dean of Research and Publications, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, and Chief Academic Officer. She has also served as the Executive Director of a Pan African Organization: the Forum for African Women Educationalists and the Campaign for Female Education, Tanzania.

Ibrahima Thioub is the Rector/President of the Assembly of Université Cheikh Anta Diop (UCAD). He has been professor of History at UCAD since 1990 and an Associate Member of the Nantes Institute for Advanced Study Foundation since 2009. He specializes in slavery studies and the social and cultural history of Africa. His current research interests are in slavery in daily life of Saint-Louis, Senegal (18th-19th centuries); and intellectual history of Francophone Africa and African identities. He founded the African Centre for Research on Treaties and Slavery (CARTE) and serves as its Director.

Doutor Emílio Tostão is currently the Director of the Research Center for Agricultural Policies and Programs at Eduardo Mondlane University in Mozambique. From 2010 to 2014, he served as the Dean of the Faculty of Agronomy and Forestry Engineering in the same university. His research focus are in agricultural marketing, production and resource economics, and quantitative methods for agriculture. He teaches Applied Statistics, and Econometrics at post-graduate level, and supervises teaching of Agricultural Commercialization, and Data Analysis at undergraduate level.

Leonard Wantchekon is Professor in Politics, International Affairs, and Economics at Princeton University. His research focuses on political and economic development in Africa. His interests include democratization, clientelism and redistributive politics, education and social mobility and long-term social impact of historical events. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a member of the Afrobarometer Network Executive Committee. He is the founder of the Institute for Empirical Research in Political Economy and the African School of Economics in Abomey Calavi, Benin.

Paul Tiyambe Zeleza is Vice Chancellor of the United States International University-Africa, Nairobi, Kenya. Prior to joining USIA-A, he was Vice President of Academic Affairs at Quinnipiac University in Connecticut. In the early 2000s he was a consultant for the Ford and MacArthur foundations on initiatives to revitalize higher education in Africa and as an adviser to the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development. His academic work has crossed traditional boundaries, ranging from economic and intellectual history to human rights, gender studies, and diaspora studies.

MSU Faculty

Nwando Achebe is an award-winning author and professor of history at Michigan State University. She is the founding editor-in-chief of the *Journal of West African History*, published by Michigan State University Press; and past co-convenor of the African Studies Association's Women's Caucus. Dr. Achebe received her Ph.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles. Her research interests involve the use of oral history in the study of women, gender, and sexuality in Nigeria.

Titus Awokuse is Chairperson and Professor in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics (AFRE) at Michigan State University. Prior to joining AFRE he was Chairperson and Professor in the Department of Applied Economics and Statistics at the University of Delaware. He is an internationally respected scholar who has consulted for private businesses, national governments, international development agencies, and NGO's. He has made notable contributions to his field by serving on various committees and taking on leadership roles in professional associations.

Michael Bratton is University Distinguished Professor of Political Science and African Studies at Michigan State University. He is the author of six books, and has served as a consultant to the World Bank, the UNDP and USAID and several other international donor agencies and NGOs. He has been a Visiting Fellow at Nuffield College, Oxford and a Jennings Randolph Senior Fellow at the US Institute of Peace. Bratton has worked with the Afrobarometer since 1999 as a co-founder, former executive director, and now senior advisor.

Eric Crawford is Director of MSU's Global Center for Food Systems Innovation and he is Co-PI on several other international projects. He has served as Co-Director of the Food Security Group since 2006. For fourteen years he served as Associate Chairperson and graduate program coordinator. His recent research has covered the evaluation of agricultural research impacts, determinants of farm productivity and investment, benefit-cost analysis of alternative strategies for promoting improved input use, and linking farm household models with climate change and crop models.

John B. Kaneene is a University Distinguished Professor of Epidemiology and Public Health and Director, Center for Comparative Epidemiology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Michigan State University. He has extensive experience in research and graduate training in many African countries: Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, Tanzania, South Africa, Sudan, S. Sudan, Somalia, Ghana, & Uganda. He has served as a Principal Investigator or Co- PI on projects funded by the NIH, USDA, USAID, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and International Foundation for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

Candace Keller is associate professor of African art and culture in the Department of Art, Art History, and Design at Michigan State University. Her research centers on the histories of photographic practice in Mali, West Africa, which is the subject of her forthcoming book *Imaging Culture: Photography in Mali, West Africa* (Indiana University Press, 2017). She is currently directing the Archive of Malian Photography, a five-year project funded by the British Library and National Endowment for the Humanities. The process will help protect 100,000+ negatives from decay and exploitation.

Peter Limb is Africana Bibliographer and Associate Professor (adjunct), History Department at MSU, and 2012 Distinguished Faculty Award recipient. Dr. Limb serves on the African Studies Association's Herskovits Book Award and Publications Committee, the International Advisory Board on African Repositories of the International African Institute, and Senior Editorial Board of the Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History. Current book projects include a volume edited with Teju Olaniyan on African cartooning, and a monograph with Chitja Twala on black politics in the Free State.

Saweda Liverpool-Tasie is an assistant professor in the Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics at Michigan State University. She is a 2016 recipient of the MSU John K. Hudzik Emerging Leader in Advancing International Studies and Programs Award. She is currently the lead Principal Investigator on a multi-million dollar grant focusing on building capacity among Nigerian researchers and other stakeholders to strengthen agriculture policy processes with evidenced based policy recommendations.

Karim Maredia is a Professor and Senior Associate to the Dean in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at MSU. He serves as Director of the World Technology Access Program (WorldTAP) and PI of the Gates Foundation funded African Biosafety Network of Expertise (ABNE) project. He has worked on numerous international development projects funded by USAID, USDA, UN-FAO, the World Bank, Rockefeller Foundation, Winrock International, and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Dr. Maredia is a recipient of the Ralph Smuckler Award for Advancing International Studies and Programs at MSU.

Nicole M. Mason is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics (AFRE) at Michigan State University. Much of her research focuses on the question, how might we support African farmers to sustainably raise their productivity and incomes by improving the design, implementation, and impact evaluation of agricultural sector policies and programs? Focus countries include Zambia, Kenya, and Tanzania. Mason is a Fellow of the MSU Academy for Global Engagement and a member of the AFRE Food Security Group and MSU African Studies Center Core Faculty.

Dr. Ruth Mbabazi is a Research Scientist with the World Technology Access Program in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Michigan State University. She is currently working in some African countries to support implementation of policies and regulations governing the agricultural systems with a focus of linking seed systems, nutrition, and the value chain to benefit smallholder farmers. She has expertise in agriculture policy, regulation and technology transfer with over 15 years of experience in science and technology policy formulation and systems development.

Dr. Robert Montgomery is an Assistant Professor of Conservation Biology in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Director of the RECaP Laboratory at Michigan State University. The RECaP Laboratory is devoted to conducting Research on the Ecology of Carnivores and their Prey. The goal of Dr. Montgomery's research is to quantify the ways in which carnivore-prey interactions have physical and detectable consequences on the landscapes where these animals reside and on the human communities with which they share these landscapes.

Robert Y. Ofoli is an Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering at Michigan State University. His research focuses on the use of nanostructured and biomimetic catalysts to produce chemicals and high-density liquid fuels from renewable materials. His group is currently working in two areas of significant scientific and societal interest: biomimetic water oxidation to produce hydrogen and organic materials; and synthesis of well-characterized nanocatalysts for transformation of biorenewables to chemicals and high-density liquid fuels.

Edward D. ("Ned") Walker is a professor at Michigan State University and holds appointments in the Department of Entomology and the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics. Broadly, his areas of scholarship and research include the study of insect vectors of disease, the ecology and epidemiology of vector borne diseases, and means to control them. He currently teaches portions of courses in microbial ecology, medical entomology, insect ecology, medical microbiology, and veterinary parasitology.

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Leo Zulu is an Associate Professor in the Department of Geography at Michigan State University. He is a broadly trained, human geographer with a primary research focus on human-environment interactions and secondary focus on health geography, primarily in Africa, and using holistic, interdisciplinary approaches and mixed research methods to environmental and health problems. Dr. Zulu has been active in the development of international collaborations and capacity building with African academic institutions. He is also the Co-Coordinator of the MSU/Malawi Strategic Partnership.

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