



North Eastern Africa Workshop Series on the Role of Science in Assisting Regional Policy Development

WORKSHOP AGENDA

28th to the 31st of October 2019

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

The Ethiopian Academy of Sciences (EAS) and the International Network for Government Science Advice (INGSA) are pleased to co-host a series of science advice workshops in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from the 28th to the 31st of October 2019.

The workshop series is designed for policymakers and scientists living or working in North Eastern Africa to enhance capacities in embedding evidence in policymaking at all levels of government.

The series of events will include:

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| 28-29 Oct | A one and a half day science advice workshop with policymakers and select researchers and scientists |
| 29 Oct | A half day open public evidence informed policy-making forum – all welcome, particularly the academic and research community |
| 30 Oct | A one day workshop focusing on the role of science advice for health for both policymakers and health researchers |
| 31 Oct | A one day science advice workshop dedicated for young scientists |

The workshop series will be facilitated by science advice experts, who will act as mentors and lead case studies and general discussion. The workshop will be a mix of plenaries and interactive fictional case studies developed through consultations with local members of the organisational committee.

Day One MC: *Atalay Ayele, EAS*

| DAY ONE: MONDAY 28 OCTOBER 2019 DEMAND SIDE WORKSHOP | |
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| 08:30 – 09:00 | Arrival and registration |
| 09:00 – 09:20 | Welcoming Remarks <i>Tsige Gebre-Mariam, President of Ethiopian Academy of Sciences</i> |
| | Welcoming Remarks <i>H.E. Samuel Kifle, State Minister, Ministry of Science and Higher Education</i> |
| | Welcoming Remarks <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, Chair of INGSA Africa & Executive Secretary of the Nigerian Academy of Science</i> |
| 09:20 – 10:00 | An Introduction to the Twilight Zone between Science and Policy: Principles, Structures and Pitfalls of Science Advice <i>Jan-Marco Müller, Chief Operations Officer, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis</i> |
| 10:00 – 10:20 | Evidence Informed Policy Making: an Ethiopian Perspective <i>H.E. Afework Kassu, State Minister, Ministry of Science and Higher Education</i> |
| 10:20 – 10:40 | Speed Networking <i>Facilitated by Lara Cowen, Senior Programme Officer INGSA</i> |
| 10:40 – 11:00 | MORNING BREAK |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Political and Technical Complexities of Science Advice <i>Nasreen Jessani, Head of Strategy for the Africa Evidence Network at the Africa Centre for Evidence</i> |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Evidence for Diplomacy <i>Mahlet Mesfin, visiting scholar at the Penn Biden Center for Diplomacy and Global Engagement</i> |
| 12:00 – 12:10 | Group Photograph |
| 12:10 – 13:00 | LUNCH |
| 13:00 – 14:40 | Case study on Internal Displacement, Climate Change and Planning <i>Discussion moderated by Lara Cowen, Senior Programme Officer INGSA and Renee Street, INGSA Africa</i> |
| 14:40 – 15:00 | AFTERNOON BREAK |
| 15:00 – 16:40 | Factors Affecting Evidence Use for Policy Makers <i>Emily Hayter, Senior Programme Specialist, INASP</i> |
| 16:40– 17:00 | Conclusions of day one <i>Ephrem Engidawork, EAS</i> |
| 17:30 | COCKTAIL RECEPTION |
| Day Two MC: <i>Workenesh Ayele, EAS</i> | |
| DAY TWO: TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER 2019 MORNING SESSION DEMAND SIDE WORKSHOP | |
| 09:00 – 09:10 | Welcome back <i>Workenesh Ayele, EAS</i> |
| 09:10 – 10:00 | Sufficiency of Evidence Exercise – A Look at Waste Management |

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| | <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, Chair of INGSA Africa & Executive Secretary of the Nigerian Academy of Science</i> |
| 10:00 – 11:30 | Taking Stock: Roundtable group discussion What is happening in the region? How is evidence gathered in the region? What structures would help the region incorporate evidence informed policy making? <i>Moderated by Renee Street</i> |
| 11:30 – 11:50 | Summary, Lessons, INGSA-Africa & Certificate Presentation <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, INGSA Africa</i> |
| 11:50 – 12:00 | Closing Remarks <i>Zenebework Tadesse, Principal Vice President of EAS</i> |
| Open Forum MC: <i>Binyam Sisay Mendisu, UNESCO</i> | |
| DAY TWO: TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER 2019 AFTERNOON OPEN FORUM (3 HOURS: 2-5PM) | |
| 14:00 – 14:10 | Welcoming Remarks <i>Addisalem Abathun, Dean of College of Natural and Computational Sciences, Addis Ababa University</i> |
| 14:10 - 14:50 | Keynote Address: The Changing Need for Science Advice from a Domestic and International Perspective <i>Video address from Sir Peter Gluckman</i> |
| 14:50 – 15:50 | Panel Discussion: Science and Sustainability: Communicating to difference audiences <i>Marjorie Alain, Director of Communications, Monitoring and Evaluation, Partnership for Economic Policy</i> <i>Mahlet Mesfin, visiting scholar at the Penn Biden Center for Diplomacy and Global Engagement</i> <i>Connie Nshemereirwe, Co-Chair, Global Young Academy</i> <i>Matthew Wallace, Senior Program Specialist, International Development Research Center</i> 5 minutes to speak then panel discussion with the audience <i>Moderated by Oladoyin Odubanjo, INGSA Africa</i> |
| 15:50 – 16:50 | Panel Discussion: How to improve the science policy nexus <i>Emily Hayter, Senior Programme Specialist, INASP</i> <i>Nasreen Jessani, Head of Strategy for the Africa Evidence Network at the Africa Centre for Evidence</i> <i>Anthony Maduekwe Programme Specialist, UNESCO Africa</i> <i>Jan-Marco Müller, Chief Operations Officer, IIASA</i> 5 minutes to speak then panel discussion with the audience <i>Moderated by Renee Street, INGSA Africa</i> |
| 16:50 – 17:00 | Closing Remarks <i>Feleke Zewge, Associate Dean for Research and Technology Transfer, Addis Ababa University</i> |
| HEALTH DAY MC: <i>Aster Tsegaye, EAS</i> | |
| DAY THREE: WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER 2019 – A FOCUS ON HEALTH | |
| 09:00 – 09:10 | Welcoming Remarks <i>Sileshi Lulseged, Vice president of Ethiopian Academy of Sciences</i> <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, Chair of INGSA Africa</i> |

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| 09:10 – 09:40 | Sustainability and Better Health: Challenges for Public Policy <i>Renee Street, INGSA Africa and Specialist scientist, South African Medical Research Council</i> |
| 09:40 – 10:10 | The Nexus between Health Policy and Systems Research <i>Damen Hailemariam, Ethiopian Academy of Sciences Fellow, School of Public Health, Addis Ababa University</i> |
| 10:10 – 10:40 | A Focus on Evidence for Women’s Health Public Policy in Africa <i>Munir Eshetu, Chief of Staff & Senior Advisor for H.E. Lia Tadesse, State Minister, Ministry of Health for the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia</i> |
| 10:40 – 11:00 | MORNING BREAK |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | Case study on Future Technology in the Fight Against Malaria <i>Moderated by Lara Cowen, Senior Programme Officer, INGSA & Renee Street, INGSA Africa</i> |
| 12:30 – 12:40 | Group Photograph |
| 12:40 – 13:30 | LUNCH |
| 13:30 – 14:00 | Building Trust & Credibility <i>Connie Nshemereirwe, Co-Chair, Global Young Academy</i> |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | Sufficiency of Evidence Exercise: When Pandemic Turns to Panic <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, Chair of INGSA Africa</i> |
| 15:00 – 15:20 | AFTERNOON BREAK |
| 15:20 – 15:50 | Challenges of Health Care Delivery in Africa <i>Henry Zakumumpa, INGSA 2019 Research Associate and CARTA Research Fellow at Makerere University, School of Public Health, Uganda</i> |
| 15:50 – 16:20 | Climate Change and Health <i>Madeleine Thomson, Wellcome Trust, Our Planet Our Health Programme</i> |
| 16:20 – 17:00 | Summary, Lessons, Certificate Presentation <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, Chair of INGSA Africa</i> |
| DAY FOUR: THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER 2019 – A FOCUS ON EARLY AND MID CAREER RESEARCHERS AND POLICY MAKERS | |
| 08:30 – 09:00 | Registration |
| 09:00 – 10:00 | Opening Remarks <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, Chair of INGSA Africa and Executive Secretary of Nigerian Academy of Science</i> <i>Tsige Gebre-Mariam, President of Ethiopian Academy of Sciences</i> <i>H.E. Afework Kassu, State Minister, Ministry of Science and Higher Education</i> Workshop Overview Who’s here and Why: Reviewing the knowledge, talent and expertise in the room Our Process Today The Creative Solving Process |
| 10:00 – 11:20 | An Introduction to the Twilight Zone between Science and Policy: Principles, Structures and Pitfalls of Science Advice <i>Jan-Marco Müller, Chief Operations Officer, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis</i> Reflection & Table Discussions What are the challenges this represents? |

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| 11:20 – 11:40 | MORNING BREAK |
| 11:40 – 12:45 | <p>Science Advice as Panacea for African Headache? <i>Oladoyin Odubanjo, Chair of INGSA Africa and Executive Secretary of the Nigerian Academy of Science</i></p> <p>Reflection & Table Discussions What are the challenges this represents?</p> |
| 12:45 – 14:00 | LUNCH |
| 14:00 – 16:00 | <p>Panel Discussion: <i>Chair: Mariamawit Yonathan, Chair of Ethiopian Young Academy of Sciences</i></p> <p>(a) Transitioning from Careers at the Bench, Science Policy, and Science Diplomacy <i>Mahlet Mesfin, visiting scholar at the Penn Biden Center for Diplomacy and Global Engagement</i></p> <p>(b) The Use of Scientific Evidence in Developing Teacher Policies in Africa <i>Victoria Kisaakye, Senior Program Specialist, UNESCO International Institute for Capacity Building in Africa</i></p> <p>(c) How can Science Advice to Governments Help Unlock Research for Development in the Global South? <i>Matthew L. Wallace, Senior Program Specialist, International Development Research Center</i></p> <p>(d) Experiences in Language Policy making in Ethiopia <i>Moges Yigezu, Associate Professor of Linguistics, Addis Ababa University</i></p> <p>Reflection & Table Discussions What are the challenges this represents?</p> |
| 16:00 – 16:20 | AFTERNOON BREAK |
| 16:20- 17:30 | <p>Mapping the Landscape of the Challenge Clarifying – for shared understanding – the critical challenges</p> |
| 17:30 | Reflection and Closing |
| 18:00 | Finish the Day |
| 19:30 | Dinner |