



THE CORPORATE COUNCIL ON AFRICA
U.S.-AFRICA AGRIBUSINESS FORUM
JUNE 25-27, 2008 · CHICAGO, IL

INVESTING IN AGRICULTURE LINKS IN AFRICA

PROGRAM

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Register today! www.africacncl.org/Events/US_Africa_Agribusiness_Forum_2008.asp

Wednesday, June 25

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **REGISTRATION**
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. **WELCOME RECEPTION**

Thursday, June 26

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **REGISTRATION**
8:30 – 9:45 a.m. **P1. PLENARY: Commodity Exchanges—Shaping the Future of African Agribusiness**
9:45 – 10:30 a.m. **NETWORKING BREAK**
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **WORKSHOPS [Concurrent]**
W1. Education and Knowledge Building in Agriculture Production
(Sponsored by Novus International, Inc.)
W2. Tree Crops—Industries Improving Supply-chains
W3. Project Finance Support from U.S. Agencies
W4. Certification to Strengthen Value-chains
W5. U.S. Agribusiness Operations in Africa—Improving Supply Risk Management

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. **NETWORKING LUNCH**
2:30 – 4:00 p.m. **WORKSHOPS [Concurrent]**
W6. Expanding Dairy Markets in Africa
W7. Africa's Regional Economic Communities—Larger Markets for Investment
(Sponsored by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID))
W8. Africa's Forestry, Carbon Trading and Climate Change
W9. Growing the Grain Industry in Africa
W10. Biofuels—Expanding Agribusiness in Africa
(Sponsored by Buchanan Renewable Energy, Schaffer Global, & Illovo Sugar)

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. **NETWORKING BREAK**
4:30 – 6:00 p.m. **P2. PLENARY: Infrastructure Networks—New Investments to Build Markets**

Friday, June 27

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. **P3. PLENARY: Agribusiness—Anchoring African Markets**
9:45 – 10:30 a.m. **NETWORKING BREAK**
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **WORKSHOPS [Concurrent]**
W11. Business Alliances—Improving Investment Opportunities
W12. Trade Logistics—Air Cargo, Sea, Trucking
W13. Water Management: Investments to Shape Agribusiness in Africa
W14. Expanding Rice Production in Africa
W15. Food Security Driven by Agricultural Inputs and Farming Technology

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. **P4. PLENARY [Closing Lunch]: Financing—Development & Challenges**