



**International Seminar on Experience Sharing on Social Safety  
Nets for Food and Nutrition  
in West Africa**

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**From 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2021, online and face to face in Ouagadougou,  
Burkina Faso**

## Agenda

**Friday, November 19, 2021**

**10:00 - 10:45: Official opening ceremony**

**10:45 - 11:00:** Presentation of objectives, expected results and session themes: ECOWAS

**Introductory session: Social Safety Nets at the heart of vulnerability reduction policies in Africa**

**11:00 - 13:00: Facilitation - UEMOA**

**11:00 - 11:20: Presentation**

- **Director of Agriculture and Rural Development:** *"Overview of the Regional Programme to Support National Social Safety Nets in West Africa (PRAFNSS)"*

**11:20 - 11:50 - Communications:**

- **WB:** *"Social Safety Net Programmes in Africa: Relevance, Opportunities and Challenges"*
- **FAO** *"What Social Safety Net programmes for optimal and sustainable benefits for beneficiaries in Africa?"*

**11:50 - 13:00: Questions, discussions and synthesis**

**1:00 - 2:00 pm: Break**

**Thematic Session 1: Food Distribution, Child Development and Access to Social Services**

**Instrument: School feeding**

**Moderator:**

**14:00 - 16:00: Theme -** *"Building functional and sustainable school feeding models that are based on local products and provide opportunities for small-scale producers"*

**Presentation of project promoters:**

- **NGO Conseils pour un développement utile en Afrique:** *"Project to promote an integrated system of school feeding and agro-ecology in the Savannah region of Togo"*;
- **NGO CERAI:** *"Resilient agroecological practices and participatory marketing as a tool for school nutrition and community food security for the rural populations of the islands of Santo Antão and Fogo, Cape Verde"*;

- **NGO APS:** "*Strengthening social safety nets in the Departments of Dagana and Podor through a pilot project to promote local production, the introduction of moringa and respect for the environment in school canteens*";
- **NGO RADIG:** "*Support project for market gardening in Forested Guinea*";
- **NGO ZOA:** "*Local Agriculture for Nutrition in the Education Value Chain in LIBERIA*".

**Panel 1:**

- National Agency for Grassroots Development Support (ANADEB) - Togo;
- Management of school canteens in Côte d'Ivoire;
- Global Child Nutrition Foundation (GCNF)- USA;
- Coordination of the financial execution of the National School Feeding Programme - Brazil.

***Questions, discussions and synthesis***

**Saturday 20 November 2021**

**Prospects for Phase 2 of the ECOWAS Food and Nutrition Social Safety Nets Project**

**Moderation: Mr. Alain SY TRAORE, Director of Agriculture and Rural Development**

**9:00 - 9:15: Opening ceremony**

**9:15 - 10:00:** Presentation of the perspectives of phase 2 of the social safety nets project for food and nutrition security in West Africa

**10:00 - 11:30:** Discussion of the presentation

**11:30 - 12:00 Closing**

**12:00 - 13:00 pm: Break**

**Presentation of some national social safety net programmes implemented in West Africa**

**Moderation:**

**13:00 - 13:15:** Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP) - Ghana

**13:15 - 13:30:** National Social Safety Nets Project (NASSP) – Nigeria

**13:30 - 13:45:** Questions & Answers

**13:45 - 14:00:** Productive Social Nets Program (PFSP) - Côte d'Ivoire

**14:00 - 14:15:** Basic Social Safety Net Programmes (BSN) – Togo

**14:15 - 14:30:** Questions & Answers

**14:30 - 14:45:** National Family Security Grant Program (PNBSF) – Senegal

**14:45 - 15:00:** Burkin-Nong-Saya social safety net programme (Burkina Faso)

**15:00 - 15:15:** Questions & Answers

**15:15 -15:30: Synthesis**

**Monday 25 November 2021**

**Thematic Session 1: Food distribution, child development and access to social services (continued)**

**Instrument:** transfer of fortified nutritional products+ economic inclusion + training and awareness

Moderator:

**10:00-12:00: Theme** - "Enhancing the potential of rural households in local food manufacturing or fortification"

**Presentation of project promoters:**

- **NGO Afric Mutualité:** *Integrated Project of Community Nutrition & Fight against Poverty in Benin (PINCP): Main achievements and lessons learned;*
  - **AFAO:** *"Gender mainstreaming in the implementation of social safety nets in vulnerable areas of Senegal and Guinea";*
  - **HKI:** *"Operational strategy to improve the productivity of crops of nutritional interest for vulnerable rural populations in Côte d'Ivoire";*
  - **Save The Children Foundation:** *"Promoting population resilience through child-sensitive social safety net systems in the Soum province, Burkina Faso".*

**Panel 2**

- Coordination of the Social Nets Unit of the National Food Crisis Prevention and Management System (Niger);
- National Directorate of Nutrition (Nigeria);
- Directorate of Nutrition (Guinea).

**Questions, discussions and synthesis.**

**12:00 - 13:00: Break**

**Thematic Session 2: Mainstreaming Development, Resilience and Gender**

**Instrument:** Money transfers + (Cash +)

Moderator:

**13:00 - 15:00: Theme** - "Cash transfers: innovations and strategies for optimizing their use"

**Presentation of project promoters:**

- **NGO AFV:** *" Support project for the recovery of household economic power (PRODEM)-Niger";*
- **NGO SONGTABA:** *"Empowering communities to become more resilient to the effects of climate change to improve food security" (Ghana);*

- **OXFAM Burkina Faso:** *"Project to support social protection through pilot targeting of vulnerable people and selective social nets in Burkina Faso";*
- **NGO CONEMUND:** *Project to strengthen the food and nutritional security of the most vulnerable populations through the integration of the preventive social net approach in the circle of Yélimané in Mali.*

**Panel 3:**

- Cash Learning Partnership (CaLP);
- International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement;
- Productive Social Nets (PSNP) in Ethiopia;
- National Family Security Grant Program (PNBSF) of Senegal;
- Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP) in Ghana.

**Questions, discussions and synthesis**

**Tuesday 23 November 2021**

**Thematic Session 2: Primary Source of Income Development, Resilience and Gender Mainstreaming (continued)**

**Instrument: Input distribution and capacity building**

**Facilitator: CILSS**

- **10:00 - 12:00:** theme - *"Increasing the resilience of vulnerable households: what productive support measures are needed for access to the best economic activities".*

**Presentation of project promoters:**

- **NGO NANTS:** *"Empowerment of 300 households in Durumi and Kuje IDP camps in Federal Capital Territory - Abuja through agriculture for improved livelihoods and income generation": success factors and lessons learned;*
- APESS *"Promoting Productive and Sustainable Safety Nets for Vulnerable Livestock and Agro-pastoralist Households" in Senegal, The Gambia, Guinea-Bissau and Nigeria: Good Practices and Lessons Learned;*
- NGO BRAC: *"Sustainable Livestock Development Model to Improve Food and Nutritional Security in Sierra Leone";*
- RBM: *"Support project for the design of social safety net models adapted to the realities of pastoral farming (FISOREP)";*
- AGED *"Protection of the reproductive nucleus for the benefit of poor agro-pastoralist households in the Sahel region of Burkina Faso".*

**Panel 4:**

- Social Safety Net Projects (Niger);
- ROPPA;
- Burkin-Nong-Saya social safety net programme (Burkina Faso);
- Mercy Corps;
- Social Safety Nets Programme Coordination Office (Nigeria).

## Questions, discussions and synthesis

**12:00 - 13:00: Break**

**1:00-2:30 p.m.: Panel 5 - "Improving gender mainstreaming in social safety net programmes"**

**Moderation:**

- AFAO;
- WILDAF - AO;
- Social Nets Programme (Sierra Leone) ;
- ACF;
- FAO.

## Questions, discussions and synthesis

**Thematic Session 3: Development and testing of targeting methods**

**Moderator:**

**14:30-16:00: theme - "Targeting beneficiaries of projects/ programmes: how to build an effective information system when moving from small coverage to scaling-up?"**

**Panel 6:**

- TRANSFORM platform;
- World Bank;
- Support Project for Communes and Communities for the Expansion of Social Services (ACCESS) - Benin;
- Burkin-Nong-Saya social safety net programme in Burkina Faso
- Jigisemejiri" Social Safety Net Programme in Mali;
- Oxfam Regional.

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**General Summary and Closing of the Seminar**