

THE 8TH AFRICA AGRIBUSINESS AND SCIENCE WEEK (AASW8), 9TH FARA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND 3RD CCARDESA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Durban, South Africa: 5th to 8th 2023

Date	0830 -1030		1100 – 1300		1400 -1700	Evening	All day
4th June	Pre-events (CCARDESA Board Meeting, and YPARD Matchmaking Session) / Registration						
5th June	<p>Opening plenary Compere – Vuyo (tbc) or Marie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Statements (Executive Mayor of Durban City, CCARDESA Chair, FARA Chair,) Goodwill messages PAFO, EC, AUC, FAO, GFAR, AfCFTA Secretariat, AGRA, ISDB Keynote by Dr Akinwumi Adesina, President, AfDB Statement by the Premier of KZN and invitation of RSA Minister Opening address by RSA Minister Presentation of Awards 	BREAK	<p>High-level segment</p> <p>Fireside Chat with the Laureates Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, Dr. Okonjo-Iweala, Prof. Benedict Orama, Amb Dr Papa Seck and Amb. Josefa Sacko</p> <p>Invited Statements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AUDA, Ministers (Eswatini, Liberia, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Ghana), FAO AfBC, SAPPI, AFASA, Agbiz (Theo Boshoff), CGIAR, <p>Launch of action plan for partnership between the CGIAR and African research and innovation institutions <i>Dr A. Adesina, Dr Lindiwe Sibanda, HE Josefa Sacko, Dr Alioune Fall.</i></p>	LUNCH BREAK	<p>CCARDESA General Assembly</p> <p>Durban Roundtable on leveraging and combining science and agribusiness to achieve outcomes expected from Dakar 2 Food Security delivery Compacts (<i>invitation only</i>)</p> <p>Side Events</p>	Sponsored cocktail (TBC-Bank of Industry, Afrexim Bank)	Exhibition and Research-to-Business fair
6th June	<p>Plenary Session organized by the One CGIAR</p>		<p>Parallel Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving Climate Resilience, Natural Resources Management (DESIRA-LIFT, CGIAR, CAADPXP4) Making African Food Systems Nutrition Sensitive and Gender-Responsive (AWARD, ICRISAT, GFAR, FAO) Strengthening Science - Business Linkages to Boost Intra-African Trade (AFAP, Embrapa, PAFO, CAADPXP4, ILRI) 		<p>Side Events and one field visit (Dube Trade Port)</p>	Research-2-Business event (TBC-Launch of Africa award)	
7th June	<p>Plenary Session organized by Africa Business Council and Afreximbank</p>		<p>Parallel Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition of Farming Systems (DESIRA-LIFT, AGRA, CGIAR, CAADPXP4) Knowledge Management, Digitalization, and Youth Entrepreneurship (IFAD, DESIRA-LIFT, CIAR-CAAS, CAADPXP4) Policies, Institutions, Capacities (RUFORUM, PANAP, FAUBAI) 		<p>Side Events and one field visit (Dube Trade Port)</p>	Sponsored dinner (TBC-AfDB)	

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8th June	Plenary Session organized by FAO,	FARA General Assembly (Synthesis of all the sessions including side events)	FARA General Assembly and closing		