

African Food Security Urban Network



Urban Food Security in Southern Africa: Strategic Policy Dimensions

10-12 June 2009
Ekurhuleni City Council Chambers, Kempton Park

Conference Reception and Opening Wednesday 10 June 2009

Registration and Reception 17.30-18.30

Opening Addresses 18.30-19.30

Master of Ceremonies	Dr. Daniel Tevera, University of Swaziland
Welcome and Opening	Mayor, Ekurhuleni Municipality
Introduction	Mr Sithole Mbangwa, SA Cities Network
Guest of Honour	Archbishop Thabo Makgoba Anglican Church
Keynote Address	George Matovu, Regional Director, Municipal Development Partnership for Southern and Eastern Africa
Closing Remarks	Prof Jonathan Crush, Co-Director, AFSUN

Thursday 11 June 2009

8.30 – 10.00 **Session One** Chair Dr. Nomcebo Simelane, University of Swaziland

Introduction to the African Food Security Urban Network (AFSUN)

Panel Prof. Jonathan Crush, AFSUN, Queen's University
Prof. Susan Parnell, AFSUN, University of Cape Town
Mr. George Matovu, Regional Director, Municipal Development Partnership
for Southern and Eastern Africa
Mr. Sithole Mbanga, South African Cities Network

Key Findings of AFSUN Urban Food Security Baseline Survey from 11 SADC Cities

Speakers Dr. Bruce Frayne, Queen's University
Prof. Wade Pendleton, University of Cape Town

10.00-10.45 Tea/coffee

10.45 – 11.45 **Session Two** Chair Prof. Wade Pendleton, University of Cape Town

Levels of Food (In)Security amongst Poor Urban Households

Panel Prof. Ben Acquah, University of Botswana
Prof. Rob Fincham, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Mr. Akiser Pomuti, University of Namibia
Mr. Godfrey Towadzera, University of Zimbabwe
Mr. Shaun Ruysenaar, University of the Witwatersrand

11.45-12.45 **Session Three** Chair Mr. Percy Toriro, Municipal Development Partnership
for Southern and Eastern Africa

Sources of Food and Related (In)Security for Urban Households

Panel Dr. Clement Leduka, National University of Lesotho
Mr. Florian Kroll, University of the Witwatersrand
Dr. Jane Battersby-Lennard, University of Cape Town

12.45-14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.00 **Session Four** Chair Prof. Asiyati Chiweza, University of Malawi

Relationship between Health and Urban Household Food (In) Security

Panel Dr. Dan Tevera, University of Swaziland
Prof. Miriam Grant, University of Calgary
Dr. Ines Raimundo, Eduardo Mondlane University
Prof. Michael Rudolph, University of the Witwatersrand

15.00-15.30 Tea/coffee

15.30-17.00 **Session Five** Chair Dr. Bruce Frayne, Queen's University

Case Studies from the Field

Food Security Programs in Belo Horizonte, Brazil Prof. Cecilia Rocha, Ryerson University

Siyakhana Food Garden Project (SFGP) Prof. Michael Rudolph, University of the Witwatersrand

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8.30-10.30 **Session Five** Chair Dr. Jonathan Crush, Queen's University

Setting the Policy Priorities for Urban Food Security in SADC: Towards an Urban Food Security Strategy

Group 1 Chair Dan Warshawsky, USC
Rapporteur Florian Kroll, Wits University

Policy Question #1 What role should social security play in addressing urban food insecurity?

Group 2 Chair Mr. Percy Toriro, Municipal Development Partnership For Southern and Eastern Africa
Rapporteur Mr. Akiser Pomuti, University of Namibia

Policy Question #2 How can livelihoods be supported to improve health and food security outcomes for vulnerable people?

Group 3 Chair Dr Nomcebo Simelane, University of Swaziland
Rapporteur Prof. Miriam Grant, University of Calgary

Policy Question #3 How can gender inequalities be addressed to improve the food security outcomes for vulnerable households?

Group 4 Chair Dr. Scott Drimie, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
Rapporteur Prof. Cecilia Rocha, Ryerson University

Policy Question #4 What is the role of government (city, province, national) and civil society organizations in promoting food security?

10.30-11.15 Tea/Coffee

11.15-1.00 Report Back by Groups

1.00 Close and Lunch