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Transforming Food Systems from the Ground Up:

The Potential of Groundwater in Achieving Food Security and Prosperity in Africa

Africa's food security and nutrition are under severe threat from climate change.

Without rapid change, net food import dependency will exceed 50% by 2050.

This session discusses the role of accelerated groundwater development in reversing these trends to 1) achieve food security and nutrition; 2) strengthen nature-based solutions; 3) boost rural incomes; and 4) reduce vulnerability to climate shocks and stresses.

The session will include an overview of key issues as well as two case studies from Africa followed by a panel discussion of African policymakers focused on their engagement toward transforming food systems from the ground up.

Speakers:

Paul Orengoh, Director of Programs, AMCOW
Callist Tindimugaya, Commissioner for Water Resources Planning
and Regulation, Ministry of Water and Environment, Uganda
Bertram Swartz, Deputy Director, Ministry of Agriculture, Water and
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Claudia Ringler, Deputy Division Director, IFPRI and Deputy
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July 6 12:00 to 13:00 Abuja time

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