AFRICA DAYS 2024:
LOST CROPS,
FOUND OPPORTUNITIES
SECURING THE FUTURE WITH CROPS FROM THE PAST

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Senegal French Institute

08H30 09H30 Welcome and installation

09H30 10H00 Opening
- Allocation of her Excellency, Christine Fages, Ambassador of France to Senegal
- Welcome message and event presentation, Leena Koni Hoffmann, Associate Fellow, Africa Programme Chatham House, Board member of SOS SAHEL USA
- Introduction and presentation of Crops from the Past, Chef Pierre Thiam
- Allocation of Stéphane Jamin, General Manager, Pullman Dakar Teranga
- Allocation of Mabouba Diagne, Minister of Agriculture, Food Sovereignty and Livestock

10H00 10H10 Cultural break - The suburbs' hopes – Dakar

10H10 11H20 High level Panel - Why bring neglected crops to the current food systems
Moderator: Patrick Dupoux, Managing Director and Senior Partner, BCG's Executive Committee
- Obai Khalifa, Deputy Director, Agricultural Development Africa, B&M Gates Foundation
- Baaba Maal, Singer and guitarist, UN Godwill Ambassador, founder of NANNK Movement
- Ndeye Fatou Ndiaye, Coordinator, Senegalese Committee for Food Fortification (COSFAM)
- Stephen Wood, Senior Scientist, Agriculture and Food Systems at NC, research scientist Yale School of the Environment

11H20 11H45 Coffee break

11H45 12H55 Second level Panel - Is there a future for Lost Crops?
Moderator: Zoë Karl-Waithaka, Managing Director and Partner, BCG
- Enoch G. Achigan-Dako, Agronomist, University of Abomey-Calavi
- Aboubaker Beye, Scientist, Professor at UCAD
- Olivier Buoy, Assistant in the West Africa Regional Office at IFC
- Jonathan Lewis, Senior Program Officer, B&M Gates Foundation
- Josephine Kane, National Coordinator, NTFV Sénégal Agribusiness A4A
- Amath Pathe Sene, Managing Director of Africa Food Systems Forum (AGRF)

12H55 13H05 Entertainment

13H05 13H30 The story of Trees of life – Presentation of the exhibition
Moderator: Ange Mboneye, Advocacy manager at SOS SAHEL
- Mathieu Dondain, CEO of Nexira
- Philippe Lecomte, CEO of La Francaise AM Finance Service, former President of SOS SAHEL

13H30 14H30 Lunch – cooking demonstration with Chefs from National Federation of Senegalese Chefs and Chef Pierre Thiam

14H30 15H30 Projection Short Documentary followed by:
- Conversation between Pierre Thiam, Chef & Activist, Vice-Chair of SOS SAHEL USA and Earlene Cruz, Director Kitchen Connection
- Presentation of Chef’s roles Manifesto by Paul Newnham, Executive Director Chef’s Manifesto

15H30 16H30 African Crops Alliance launching Round table
Moderator: Fabienne Diouf, Managing Director and founder, FD & Partners
- Aaron Adu, Managing Director, Global Shea Alliance
- Cobi-Jane Akinrele, Founder at the Aké Collective
- Michel, Ghanem, Founder of The Forgotten Crops Society, Senior Scientist CIRAD
- Rémi Hémeryck, General Director SOS SAHEL
- Laura Layousse, General Director of CAA
- Simballa Sylla, Entrepreneur, President of Sustainable African Foods
- Pierre Thiam, Chef & Activist, Vice-Chair of SOS SAHEL USA

16H30 18H30 Exhibitions & Networking
08H30 09H15 Welcome and installation

09H15 10H45 Challenges
House 1 “LOST CROPS ADVOCACY: BIODIVERSITY AND FOOD SYSTEMS
• Moderator: Leena Koni Hoffmann, Associate Fellow, Africa Programme Chatham House, Board member of SOS SAHEL USA
• Keynote speaker: Mathieu Gueye, Directeur de Recherche, Botaniste, Ethnobotaniste IFAN/UCAD
• Rémi Hémeryck, General Director of SOS SAHEL

House 2 “CEREALS: FONIO Use-Case
• Moderator: ...
• Keynote speaker: Adeline Barnaud, IRD
• Mame Kodou Gueye, CERAAAS
• Laura Layousse, General Director of CAA
• Simballa Sylla, President of Sustainable African Foods
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House 3 “GRAIN LEGUMES: BAMBARA GROUNDNUT Use-Case
• Moderator: Marame Ba, BAME -ISRA, Géographe, Université Gaston Berger de Saint-Louis du Sénégal
• Keynote speaker: Moez Amri, Profesor, Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique
• Cobi-Jane Akinrele, Founder at the Aké Collective
• Issah Faye, CNRA Bambey
• ...
• Bambara groundnut producer

House 4 “NON FOREST TIMBER PRODUCTS: BAOBAB tree fruits Use-Case
• Moderator: ...
• Keynote speaker: ...
• Aaron Adu, Managing Director, Global Shea Alliance
• Josef Garvi, Executive Director at Sahara Sahel Foods (TBC)
• Siny Samba, Co-founder & CEO of Le Lionceau (TBC)

10H55 11H15 Coffee and cultural break

11H15 13H00 Workshop 1 Opportunities
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House 2 “CEREALS: FONIO Use-Case
Moderator: ...

House 3 “GRAIN LEGUMES: BAMBARA GROUNDNUT Use-Case
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House 4 “NON FOREST TIMBER PRODUCTS: BAOBAB tree fruits Use-Case
Moderator: ...

13H00 14H30 Lunch - cooking demonstrations and competitions with National Federation of Senegalese Chefs
14H30 15H45 Workshop 2 Solutions / priorities
House 1 “LOST CROPS ADVOCACY”: BIODIVERSITY AND FOOD SYSTEMS
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House 2 “CEREALS”: FONIO Use-Case
Moderator: ...
House 3 “GRAIN LEGUMES”: BAMBARA GROUNDNUT Use-Case
Moderator: Marame Ba, BAME -ISRA, Géographe, Université Gaston Berger de Saint-Louis du Sénégal
House 4 “NON FOREST TIMBER PRODUCTS”: BAOBAB tree fruits Use-Case
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16H15 17H30 Road map African Crops Alliance
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17H30 19H00 Exhibitions - Networking

19H30 00H00 Jam’Sahel - Gala Dinner at Dakar