



PROMOTING GREEN JOBS IN AGRICULTURE TO SUPPORT CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION

PEER-TO-PEER LEARNING FORUM IN ACP COUNTRIES

23 – 24 FEBRUARY 2022

Information Note





OVERVIEW

Climate change and other forms of environmental degradation have negative impacts not only on ecosystems, but also on jobs and economies. In developing countries, vulnerable groups are likely to suffer the most from the changing weather patterns as they are more exposed to climate-related impacts and have less access to social and financial support, including social protection.

The Peer-to-Peer Learning Forum for African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries on 'Promoting green jobs in agriculture to support climate change adaptation and mitigation' is a tailor-made activity organized by the Investment Climate Reform facility (ICR facility) and the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (ITCILO) for government officials, practitioners and professionals of ACP countries involved in designing and implementing local, sectoral, national strategies for the transition to greener economies.

The objective of this Forum is to foster exchanges between participants on how to effectively design and implement green jobs and green works initiatives to transition to a greener and more resilient society, identifying good practices and discussing related challenges.

WHAT?

The Forum will include:

- 1. **One introductory session** on the linkages between climate change and the world of work, as well as the rationale for promoting and implementing green jobs.
- 2. **Three topic sessions:** The forum will be focused on green jobs in the sustainable/ Climate smart agriculture, and would include three of the following topics:
 - Enabling the investment climate for Green jobs in agriculture: identifying and promoting green jobs opportunities in the agriculture sector to ensure a green and inclusive recovery from the COVID pandemic;
 - Green jobs through green infrastructure investments: understanding how green infrastructure investments can create environmentally friendly jobs while creating climate resilient infrastructure in the agriculture sector;
 - Advancing a just transition through the promotion of green jobs in the circular economy: to reflect on the environmental impact of today's linear economy and the business opportunities for a transformation to a circular economy, and how green jobs are key for circular economy models to thrive.

WHO?

The Forum targets professionals involved in designing and implementing local, sectoral, and national strategies for the transition to greener economies and climate change adaptation. The Forum specifically targets:

- Government officials operating at the local, provincial, national or regional;
- Business member organizations;
- ACP national or regional Development Finance Institutions (DFIs)
- Women's organizations;
- EU Delegations.

HOW?

The Forum will be held online for **two days**, on 23-24 February. Each day, participants will participate in two live online sessions of 90 minutes each, from 2pm to 5.30pm CEST.

The Forum will be conducted using a highly participative methodology, through a combination of experiences and pre-identified South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) good practices presented by speakers selected by the ICR facility and ITCILO. Furthermore, group discussions will follow to let participants share solutions and experiences that are already in place.

Participants will have access to the ITCILO eCampus where they will be able to interact with other participants, access the recordings of the Forum and access an online library with several background documents and reference materials.

FURTHER INFORMATION

LANGUAGE

English

CERTIFICATE

Participants will obtain an ITCILO Certificate of Participation

FEE

The Forum is fully funded by the ICR facility. Selected participants will be fully covered by a scholarship.

REGISTRATION LINK <u>https://oarf2.itcilo.org/CST/A9715376/en</u>

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION

7 February 2022

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	Wednesday 23
14:00 – 15:30 CET	Climate change and the world of work: the impact on agriculture
	 Objectives: Setting the scene Understand the structure of the Forum and eCampus Make participants understand the connection between climate change and employment Starting to analyse challenges in different countries
	Plenary discussions - Q&A for speakers
15:30 – 16:00 CET	BREAK
16:00 – 17:30 CET	Enabling the investment climate for Green jobs in agriculture
	 Objectives: Provide a quick overview of green jobs opportunities in the agriculture sector Discuss what more needs to be done in the agriculture sector to ensure a green and inclusive recovery from the COVID pandemic Encourage participants to share experiences and good practices on 'greening' jobs in the agriculture sector Group discussions Group discussion on good practices, policies, opportunities and challenges

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	Thursday 24
14:00 – 15:30 CET	Green jobs through green infrastructure investments
	 Objectives: Understand how green infrastructure investments can create environmentally friendly jobs while creating climate resilient infrastructure in the agriculture sector Group discussions Group discussion on good practices, policies, opportunities and challenges
15:30 – 16:00 CET	BREAK
16:00 – 17:30 CET	Advancing a just transition through the promotion of green jobs in the circular economy
	 Objectives: Reflect on the environmental impact of today's linear economy and the business opportunities for a transformation to a circular economy. Foster an exchange of examples of successful circular economy solutions and the lessons learned, while creating an insightful and lively discussion around the challenges and opportunities of these transformations Group discussions
	 Group discussions Group discussion on good practices, policies, opportunities and challenges
	Wrap-up and closing

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If an enrolled participant wishes or must withdraw from a course, they may choose to apply to a different course or be substituted by another candidate. The participant must notify the Centre, in writing, of their decision at least 14 days prior to the start date of the course. Cancellation of participation in regular courses will result in the following penalties:

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- 8 to 13 days prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 50% of course price, refund of residual amount paid (if any) less applicable bank charges
- 7 days or less prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 100% of course price.

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