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in agriculture

## Online seminar. The African countries and Ukraine partnership in agriculture:

unleashing the potential for cooperation with Western African countries

Thursday, March 21, 2024

15:00-17:30 Kyiv time

Zoom conference

## **Description:**

The seminar focuses on exploring mutually beneficial cooperation between Ukraine and West African countries. The full-scale invasion by RF has underscored Ukraine's necessity to forge robust international relations. Given the pivotal role of agriculture in Ukraine's economy, it offers a solid foundation for partnerships, particularly with food-importing nations. Although Ukraine exported 13 million tons of agricultural goods worth \$3.8 billion to 52 African countries in 2021, the share of the West African region in these exports was less than 1%. At the same time, Ukraine's agri-food imports from the region were also very low. This means that Western Africa appears as a new market for Ukrainian exporters. Besides, current challenges for West African agriculture (poor infrastructure, rural poverty, climate change, inconsistent agricultural policy) create space for non-trade cooperation with Ukraine. The primary goal of the seminar is to highlight the core streams of such partnership.

More on the KSE Agrocenter's initiative about the Ukraine-African states cooperation can be found at https://kse.ua/ua/the-african-countries-and-ukraine-partnership/

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15:00-15:10	<b>Dr. Mariia Bogonos</b> Head of KSE Agrocenter, Ukraine	Moderation and welcome. Conclusions from the 1st discussion on the topic
15:10-15:30	<b>Dr. Pavlo Martyshev</b> KSE Agrocenter, Ukraine	Cooperation options in agriculture between Ukraine and West African countries
15:30-15:50	Prof. Abiodun Bankole Economics Department, University of Ibadan, Nigeria	The development of Nigerian agri-food sector
15:50-16:10	Dr. Yaw Osei-Asare Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Department, University of Ghana	Challenges of Ghanian agri-food sector
16:10-16:30	<b>Dr. FE Doukouré Charles</b> Educational and Teaching Department, ENSEA, Côte d'Ivoire	Agricultural production and food security in Cote d'Ivoire

Panel discussion: Cooperation options for partnership between Ukraine and West Africa



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