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🌐 Climate Smart Agriculture Youth Network: Road to ACS2 Official Launch

Theme: “Accelerating Global Climate Solutions: Financing for Africa's Resilient and Green Development”.

📅 **Date:** Thursday, 17th July 2025

🕒 **Time:**

- **New York:** 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
- **Nigeria:** 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM
- **Kenya:** 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

📄 **Venue:** Registration Link:

⌚ **Duration:** 90 minutes

Time (Approx.)	Agenda Segment	Details
16:00 – 16:03	Opening Segment	Mr. Divine Ntiokam , Founder & Executive Director, GCSAYN, USA, Welcome remarks and setting of the scene
16:03- 16:10	Interlude	GCSAYN 10 Year Journey (https://youtu.be/f0B_8W3Zk4U)
16:10- 16:15	Guest Speaker	Mr. Mengistu Basha , Environment and Climate Change Agreements and Partnership Officer at the Ministry of Planning and Development, specializing in environment and climate change, Ethiopia
16:15 – 16:35	Keynote Statements	Moderated transitions between speakers: 1. Ms. Gift Mmesoma , Borlaug Scholar 2025, (Nigeria) 2. Prof. Lisa Korsten , President African Academy of Science, (South Africa) 3. Ms. Cathy Cao Xi , Senior Agricultural and Climate Finance Expert (China) 4. Mr. Keith Richards , GCSAYN Board Member (USA)

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16:35 – 17:20	Panel Discussions	Moderators: Ms. Glory and Senegalese Moderator
	Panel 1 (25 mins)	Topic: The Role of Centers of Excellence as Enablers to Foster Climate Action Participants: Representatives from Nigeria, Kenya, Algeria, Zambia, Cameroon, DRC, Malawi, Canada, Netherlands, India, Rwanda, Madagascar
	Panel 2 (20 mins)	Topic: Success Stories Speakers: Dr. Samuel Opoku Gyamfi (Morocco), Ms. Mpho Mpolai Tšehlo (Lesotho), Mr. Gilbert Wabunoha (UK), Ms. Gift Mmesoma (Nigeria), Mr. Abraham Lagat (Kenya), Mr. Hansbert James Sembuyagi (Tanzania), Ms. Claudia Morgan (Ghana), Ms. Keshia Tasi (Cameroon), Mr. Okafor Chimdiuto (Nigeria), Mr. Oluwatunmise Adedayo (Nigeria) and Mr. Mandiaye P. Badji (Senegal).
17:20 – 17:30	Declaration & Closing	Reading of Declaration: Ms. Dorcas Omowumi, GCSAYN Secretariat Closing Remarks: Mr. Divine Ntiokam