

Agricultural Tertiary and Vocational Education and Training (ATVET) in Africa: integration within the broader Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System

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“Africa Knows! It is time to decolonise minds” is the closing activity of the 2020 Year of Leiden African Studies Association. The [conference](#) starts with an online opening event on December 2-4, 2020, which is organized with many partners from Africa and Europe, introduces several keynote speakers and is composed of 50 panels.



Panel 47

Panel 47 on [technical and vocational education and training \(ATVET\)](#) in the agri-food sector focuses specifically on how ATVET can bridge the gap between higher education, other forms of learning, and the business community. A background discussion document prepared for this panel will present an overview of how the ATVET sector is organized, and how it relates to the broader national agricultural knowledge and innovation systems (AKIS) in Africa. Recommendations will focus on providing and scaling sustainable agro-food education and training in Africa.

On **December 3, 2020**, the panel organizes a morning session at 11.30 CET and an afternoon session at 14.30 CET.

Panel programme Session 1 - 11.30-12.45 CET

Policy Reforms for Agricultural Tertiary and Vocational Education and Training (ATVET) in Africa	
Welcome and Opening Remarks	Jennie van der Mheen, WUR
Continental policies, strategies & programmes	Caroline Mutepfa, AUDA-NEPAD
National Policy Case Study 1: Kenya	Eusebius Mukhwana, KNQA
Open Discussion	Alice Mweetwa (moderator), RUFORUM
Concluding Remarks	David van Kampen, NUFFIC

Panel programme Session 2 - 14.30-15.45 CET

Integration of ATVET into broader systems of agricultural knowledge, skills and innovation	
Welcome and Opening Remarks. Summary of session 1	Frans Verberne, F&BKP/NFP
Background Study Report - Agricultural Tertiary and Vocational Education and Training (ATVET) in Africa: integration with broader AKIS	Richard Hawkins, F&BKP/NFP/ICRA
Break-out sessions 4 case studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethiopia (SNV): links ATVET and extension • Kenya (Latia): links ATVET and private sector • Ghana (Nuffic): links ATVET and university • Nigeria (DAC): links ATVET and government policy 	F&BKP/NFP/RUFORUM/WUR
Reporting back from sessions and concluding remarks	David van Kampen, NUFFIC