

AGENDA
UTAFITI SERA (RESEARCH-POLICY COMMUNITY)

Forum On
Employment Creation In Agriculture And Agro-Processing In The Context Of Inclusive Growth In
Nigeria.

AMAECI HALL, ROCKVIEW ROYALE, ABUJA
JANUARY 31, 2017

08:00 –8:45	Arrival and registration of participants
09:00 – 09:20	Welcome Remarks: Dr. Ladi Hamalai, <i>MFR</i> , Director General, NILS
09:20 – 09:40	Keynote Address: Policy Considerations for Decent Employment Creation in the Agriculture and Agro-processing Sector in Nigeria. Permanent Secretary Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
09:40 – 10.10	Introducing <i>Utafiti Sera</i> (Research Policy Community) on Inclusive Growth and Employment Creation Presenter: Dr. Nicholas Awortwi, Research Director, PASGR
Moderator: Dr Adeyemi Fajingbesi, Research Director, NILS	
10:10 – 10:50	Research Evidence on Employment Creation in Agriculture and Agro-processing: Synthesis of Existing Studies in Nigeria and policy recommendations <i>Presenter: Dr. Eric Ogunleye</i> <i>Floor Discussion</i>
10:50 – 11:00	Health Break
11:00 – 11:30	Transforming Domestic Private Investment in Rice and Cotton Value Chains to Promote Wage Employment in Nigeria <i>Presenter: Dr Aremu Fatai</i> <i>Floor Discussion</i>
11:30 - 13.00	Break-out Sessions (3 groups) i. Consolidation of institutions and resources in the agriculture sector for employment creation ii. Gender inclusiveness in wage employment in agriculture value chain iii. Reduction in the importation of agriculture products and turning importers to producers for employment creation
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30	Plenary Session: Presentation of Group Recommendations & Discussions on policy actions
15:30 – 16:00	Way Forward and Closing Remarks <i>Dr. Nicholas Awortwi, Research Director, PASGR</i> <i>Dr. Adeyemi Fajingbesi, Research Director, NILS</i>
16:00	Tea/Coffee and Nibble Discussions