



Programme for 16th ECOWAS Nutrition Forum

"Adolescent nutrition: institutionalizing sustainable actions for improved outcomes in West Africa"

18-20 November 2019, Monrovia, Liberia

No.	Time	Activity	Person responsible
DAY 1			
I	8.00 - 8.30	Registration	Secretariat
	8.30 - 09.45	Official Opening	MC: Protocol; WAHO
		Welcome remarks	Hon. Minister of Gender, Children and Social Protection
		Opening remarks by Representative of Development Partners	UN Resident Rep
		Opening remarks by African Union Commission	African Union Commission
		Opening remarks by WAHO	DG, WAHO
		Opening remarks by ECOWAS Commission	Special Rep of President of ECOWAS Commission
		Opening remarks by Minister of Health	Hon Minister of Health
		Interlude: cultural performance	
		Official opening by Guest of Honour	HE Vice President of the Republic of Liberia
	09.45-10.30	MOBILITY BREAK (Group photograph)	
		Visit to the Exhibition Stand	
		Interaction with Press	
II	10.30- 10.45	Introduction	
		Election of officers	
		Opening remarks by Chairperson	Nigeria
		Adoption of the agenda	
		Highlights of Bissau 2017 Forum and objectives of the Monrovia 2019 Nutrition forum	WAHO

III	10.45 - 13.15	Session 1: Adolescent malnutrition - regional updates	
	10.45 - 11.00	Adolescent malnutrition: burden, causes, co-morbidities and consequences in West Africa	WHO & UNICEF
	11.00 - 11.15	Adolescent nutrition and health in West Africa: secondary data analysis	UNICEF
	11.15 - 11.30	Cardio-metabolic risk factors and noncommunicable diseases in adolescents in West Africa	WAHO
	11.30 - 12.00	Discussions	
	12.00 - 12.15	Dietary intake and dietary risks in adolescents in West Africa	FAO
	12.15 - 12.30	Fill the nutrient gap: analysis of household food consumption in West Africa	WFP
	12.30 - 12.45	Transform Nutrition: West Africa initiative: adolescent nutrition policy analysis	IFPRI
	12.45 - 13.15	Discussions	
	13.15 - 14.15	LUNCH	
IV	14.15 - 15.30	Session 2: Adolescent malnutrition: overview of programmes and strategies in ECOWAS Member States	
	14.15 - 15.00	Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo	Focal Persons
	15.00 - 15.30	Discussions	
V	15.30 - 17.00	Session 3: Panel discussion on barriers to uptake of adolescent health services and how to overcome them for improved nutrition	Moderator: UNFPA
	15.30 - 16.30	Guinea Bissau, Mali, Niger, Nigeria	Discussants
	16.30 - 17.00	Discussions	
	17.00 - 17.15	Closing	
	17.00 - 17.10	Chairman's closing remarks	
	17.10 - 17.15	Administrative announcements	
	17.15 - 17.35	MOBILITY BREAK (end of day)	

DAY 2			
I	8.30 - 9.00	Recap of Day 1 - main issues and conclusions	Rapporteurs
II	09.00 - 10.15	Session 4: School-based programmes for improved adolescent nutrition in the Region (country presentations)	
	09.00 - 09.45	The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea	Focal Persons
	09.45 - 10.15	Discussions	
III	10.15 - 11.45	Session 5: Panel discussion: Information needs for planning and monitoring adolescent nutrition in countries in the Region	Moderator: IUNS
	10.15 - 11.15	Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Cote d'Ivoire	Discussants
	11.15 - 11.45	Discussions	
	11.45 - 12.00	MOBILITY BREAK	
IV	12.00 - 13.15	Session 6: Nutrition surveillance and implications for adolescent nutrition in the Region	
	12.00 - 12.20	Countdown 2030 project - preliminary findings	
	12.20 - 12.35	Protocol for comprehensive micronutrient national survey in Burkina Faso and regional implications	CDC Atlanta
	12.35 - 12.45	Improving the quality of routine data systems on adolescent nutrition	WAHO
	12.45 - 13.15	Discussions	
	13.15 - 14.15	LUNCH	
V	14.15 - 15.30	Session 7: Current initiatives and innovative experiences	
	14.15 - 14.30	Intersectoral collaboration to improve adolescent nutrition: the experience of Liberia	Liberia
	14.30 - 14.45	Micronutrient deficiencies and current regional initiatives	Nutrition International
	14.45 - 15.00	Bouillon as vehicle for fortification in West Africa	HKI
	15.00 - 15.30	Discussions	
	15.30 - 15.45	MOBILITY BREAK	
VII	15.45 - 17.15	Session 8: Reports from regional conferences / groups	
	15.45 - 15.55	Highlights FANUS conference	FANUS
	15.55 - 16.05	Highlights SUN Global Gathering	Liberia
	16.05 - 16.15	Regional network of parliamentarians on nutrition: report of recent activities	Chairman, Parliamentary Network
	16.15 - 16.25	African Leaders for Nutrition (ALN) initiative: status in West Africa	African Development Bank

	16.25 -16.35	Framework for evaluation of ECOWAS Nutrition Forums	UNICEF
	16.35 -16.45	Regional Centre of Excellence against Hunger and Malnutrition (CERFAM), Abidjan	WFP
	16.45 -17.15	Discussions	
VII	17.15 - 17.30	Closing	
	17.15 - 17.25	Chairman's closing remarks	
	17.25 - 17.30	Administrative announcements	
VIII	19.30 - 22.00	Gala dinner	

DAY 3			
I	8.30 - 9.00	Recap of Day 2 - main issues and conclusions	Rapporteurs
II	09.00 - 10.30	Session 9: Panel discussion on financing interventions to promote adolescent health and nutrition	Moderator: MP, ECOWAS Parliament
	09.00 - 10.00	Liberia, FANUS, ANS, ACF	
	10.00- 10.30	Discussions	
	10.30 - 11.15	MOBILITY BREAK	
III	11.15- 13.00	Session 10: Group work	
	1	Introduction of Group Work	WAHO / Facilitator
	2	<i>How could e-health be exploited to improve adolescent nutrition outcomes in West Africa</i>	
	3	<i>What are the obstacles that prevent countries from prioritising adolescent health and nutrition and how can they be overcome?</i>	
	4	<i>What are the best strategies for mobilising funds for adolescent nutrition and how can these be widely applied?</i>	
	5	<i>What are the research needs for adolescent nutrition in West Africa?</i>	
		<i>What are the best practices in reaching vulnerable, indigent out-of-school adolescents?</i>	
	13.00 - 14.00	LUNCH	
IV	14.00 - 15.30	Session 11: Plenary from group work	
		Presentations and discussions	

V	15.30 - 16.30	Session 12: Caucus meetings	
		Meeting of Partners Meeting among Local delegates Meeting of Member States' delegates Discussions	
	16.30 - 16.45	MOBILITY BREAK	
VI	16.45 - 18.00	Preparation and Adoption of Meeting Report	
		Plenary from group meetings Presentation and Adoption of Recommendations of Forum Results of Final evaluation	
VII	18.00 - 19.00	Closing Ceremony	
		Reading of Recommendations Vote of thanks Venue and Theme of the next Meeting Flag hand over Closing Remarks Closing Remarks Closing address	Partners WAHO Hon. Minister of Health, Liberia