



SIANI

Swedish International Agricultural Network Initiative

Invitation to WASHnut expert group meeting

Strengthening collaboration at the WASH, food and nutrition nexus to build community resilience in low income countries (WASHnut).

The Swedish International Agricultural Network Initiative (SIANI) is a Sida-funded network of development experts with the aim to ensure sustainable agriculture for food security, improved nutrition and the eradication of hunger.

The *SIANI WASHnut expert group* is a platform for practitioners and researchers who aim to explore and improve cross-sectoral collaboration within WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) and food production/nutrition with a special focus on resource recovery. Expert group members contribute with their own experiences and gain practical ideas and strategies for improving their own work.

We herewith wish to invite you to participate in our workshop and become a member of the expert group.

Date: 4th – 5th of December 2017

Venue: CHAK guesthouse, Nairobi, Kenya

Cost: the meeting is free of charge and includes lunch and snacks

Please confirm your attendance by emailing a short description of your cross-sectoral work including partner organisations to helfrid.schulte.herbruggen@ecoloop.se (Deadline: **22nd of October**)

As a member of the expert group you will share your professional experience with other practitioners and researchers. You will become part of a small active network with a global reach.

The aim with this workshop is to facilitate mutual learning between practitioners, encourage North-South collaboration, dialogue between practitioners and researchers and generate practical knowledge on methods and technologies enabling cross-sectoral WASH, food and nutrition security collaborations.

Facilitators: Dr Helfrid Schulte-Herbrüggen (Ecoloop) Dr Sarah Dickin (Stockholm Environment Institute), Mr George Obondo (The Salvation Army Kenya-East), Dr Björn Schulte-Herbrüggen (Resilience advisor), Dr Sara Garbriellsson (Lund University/University of Dar es Salaam) and Mr Stephen Vundi Mungula (SIANI Kenya).

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Pre-workshop activities will include:

- participation in a brief online survey and face-to-face interviews regarding motivation and enabling factors for cross-sectoral work, as well as advantages/disadvantages of cross-sectoral work for building resilient communities.

The workshop will be hands-on and will involve:

- presentation and discussion of survey and interview findings
- revision, further elaboration and synthesis of findings
- a study visit to cross-sectoral WASH-health project

Post workshop

- continuous online engagement and sharing of information within network
- co-authoring and contributing to SIANI infographic
- invitation to contribute to follow-up project and funding application

Preliminary workshop agenda

Date	Time	Preliminary agenda
4 th of December	morning	Welcome and Introductions Presentation of preliminary findings: Enabling factors and solutions to common challenges Round table: Discussion of findings <i>Buffet lunch</i>
	afternoon	Round table: Linkages between SDG, resilience and WASH–food/nutrition. Do cross-sectoral projects increase community resilience to climate change shocks? Synthesis
5 th of December	morning	Visiting cross-sectoral WASH-health project <i>lunch</i>
	afternoon	Discussion and synthesis of lessons learned

For information about the workshop location, see <http://www.chakquesthouse.org/>. Support for accommodation costs can be provided for a limited number of participants – please get in touch with Helfrid Schulte-Herbrüggen, as soon as possible.

For more information on the expert group: <http://www.siani.se/expert-groups/linkages-between-water-sanitation-and-food-and-nutrition-security>

A SIANI discussion brief produced by members of the expert group in August 2017: http://www.siani.se/sites/clients.codepositive.com/files/document/water_ag_sanitation_siani_discussion_brief_aug17_for_the_web.pdf

