



Transformation of higher education

Launch of a new GFAR Collective Action: 1.5-hour international webinar

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Programme

Overall facilitation: Samitha S. Haldar, APAARI

Time	Topic	Objective	Speakers
10 min	Welcome statements	Welcome the participants	Dr. Hildegard Lingnau, Executive Secretary, GFAR; and Dr. Ravi Khetarpal, Executive Secretary, APAARI
10 min	Introduction of the global Collective Action on HE	Raise the participants' interest in the Collective Action, and strengthen their understanding of the need for change to accelerate agri-food system transformation	Mr. Karim Hussein, Strategic Advisor, GFAR and the Collective Action Lead
10 min	The global perspective of the need for educational transformation	Share global perspectives on the challenges and trends in university transformation	Dr. Jim French, Secretary General, GCHERA
45 min	Panel discussion: Regional successes, challenges and trends – Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and perspectives of farmers and extension on why we need a new type of agricultural professional Discussion with the participants	Enable the participants to learn about successful initiatives, as well as the challenges the Collective Action will build on Learn from the participants about their transformative changes in education	Panelists: Dr. Agnes Mwang'ombe, Member, RUFORUM; Ms. Martina Spisiakova, Strategy and Innovation Coordinator, APAARI; Dr. Patrick Van Damme, Advisor, EFARD; Dr. Jim French, Secretary General, GCHERA; Dr. Lisa van Dijk, Co-Chair, Prolinnova; and Dr. Hlami Ngwenya, Professionalization Coordinator, GFRAS Moderator: Ms. Samitha S. Haldar
5 min	Launch of the survey	Motivate the participants to contribute to the Collective Action through the baseline survey and sharing of good transformational practices and models in education	Ms. Martina Spisiakova
10 min	Reflection and closing remarks		Mr. Karim Hussein

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