Policy Actions for Sustainable Livestock Systems in Africa

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The Need for Transformation

- **Environmental Degradation:** Livestock sector faces challenges including environmental degradation and climate change

- **Disease Outbreak:** Animal health issues pose significant threats to livestock productivity and sustainability

- **Socio-economic Inequalities:** Addressing socio-economic disparities is crucial for inclusive livestock development
Key Policy Actions

• Integrated Policy Frameworks

• Support for Smallholder Farmers; are about 80% of the producers in Sub-Saharan Africa.

• Sustainable Land and Water Management; availability of pastures, feed, fodder and water are significant challenges in Africa.

• Animal Health and Welfare; critical constraints in Africa.

• Climate Resilience and Adaptation; gaining prominence in the continent.
Integrated Policy Frameworks

• **Coordination:** Ensure livestock policies align with broader agricultural, environmental, and socio-economic policies

• **CAADP Case Study:** African Union's CAADP facilitates coordinated efforts

• **Livestock Mainstreaming:** AU-IBAR spearheaded memoranda to mainstream livestock in Post-Malabo CAADP Agenda [2025-2035]
Support for Smallholder Farmers & contribute to sustainable land and water management

AU-IBAR designing, mobilizing and implementing projects supporting policy reform, considering the small holders.

• RAFFS
• FishGov2
• Conserving Aquatic Biodiversity
• APMDP

AU-IBAR has established and engaged different Networks to strengthen the capacities and addressing the needs of small-holders, youth and women.
Climate Resilience and Adaptation

**Climate-Smart Practices:** Incorporate climate-smart practices to enhance resilience to climate change.

RAFFS & APMDP projects:

- **Range management:** Promote sustainable grazing & land-use
- **Forage Crops:** Encourage cultivation of drought-tolerant forage crops for sustainable feed

Improving Animal Genetics:

- **Breeding:** Promote breeding for climate-resilient livestock to adapt to changing conditions
Animal Health and Welfare

Health Systems Strengthening: AU-IBAR supporting Robust animal health systems aligned to AHSA e.g. s:

- **PPR Eradication**: AU-IBAR coordinating campaign to eliminate PPR in Africa by 2030
- **Rabies Elimination**: Collaborative effort to eliminate dog-mediated rabies in Africa by 2030

**AWSA**: AU-IBAR supporting AU- MSs to develop national policies and strategies aligned to AWSA

Supporting emerging policy action for sustainable Livestock in Africa: Supporting the doption of the moratorium to ban slaughtering of donkeys, and supporting the development of African Donkey’s conservation strategy.
AU-IBAR Vision

An Africa in which animal resources contribute significantly to integration, prosperity & peace

- Women & Youth Inclusion
- Sustainable use of Natural resources
- Climate Change Adaptation & Mitigation

Harmonization of Policies, Regulations and Guidelines
Building Capacities & Technical backstopping
Animal Resources Data collection & Analysis
Enabling PPP
Convene Multi-stakeholders Platforms
Facilitate for Africa Common Position

Support coordination of sustainable development & Strengthen the Capacities & Policies of AU MSs & RECs

- Support Sustainable Production along the animal Value Chains
- Improve Animal Health capacities & Governance under One Health Approach
- Strengthen Compliance with SPS ensuring value addition & Market

Animal Production Unit
Animal Health Unit
Economic Trade & Market Unit
Thank you

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