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Food Safety: Options for Addressing a Growing Crisis

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Challenge: In rapidly evolving food systems in Africa and Asia there is a crisis in confidence over the safety of foods. To improve food safety in these systems, current practices and regulations, largely adopted from Europe and North America can be strengthened; However new approaches and innovations are also required that consider the provide incentives and enhance capacity for multiple small producers and market agents. This consultation will discuss past food safety efforts and engage participants in shaping future food safety research in the CGIAR to address this food safety challenge.

Objectives: Engage partners from different regions and sectors to reflect on past experience in food safety research, both practice and policy. Identify promising, feasible and relevant research for improving food safety at scale in both high-value food chains and in staple food chains affected by aflatoxins in Africa and Asia, that addresses the economic and health costs, benefits and trade-offs.

Discussants: Jean Michel Poirson (FAO), Erastus Kang'ethe (Univ. of Nairobi), Mweshi Mukanga (Ministry of Agriculture, Zambia), Abigael Obura (CDC-Kenya), Hung Nguyen (Hanoi School of Public Health)

Facilitator: Peter Ballantyne, International Livestock Research Institute

Scene-setting Presentations:

- ✚ Food safety in developing countries: why it matters and what we have learned – Delia Grace, International Livestock Research Institute, Nairobi and A4NH
- Stakeholder demands for food safety research and opportunities for scaling up food safety to improve nutrition and health of the poor John McDermott, International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington, DC,

Facilitated discussion - Discussants- 30 Minutes

Q & A with the audience - 20 Minutes

Main lessons and next steps: John McDermott - 5 Minutes

Communications: Susan MacMillan

