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Africa Graduate and Mentorship and Coaching Programme (AGMCP)

Memorabilia



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Agenda

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Introduction

❑ The Africa Graduate Mentorship and Coaching Programme (AGMCP)

✓ Is a mentor-mentee network facilitated by the Interconnections for Making Africa Great Empowered and Sustainable (IMAGES) Initiative.

❑ It is designed for **mentoring and coaching** graduate-level students (Masters and PhD) between 20 and 30 years of age in Africa in the areas of **research and professional development**.

❑ This presentation summarizes my experiences with AGMCP Programme 2023

Experiences, Activities and Outputs Of The Fellowship

Farming and food systems in Africa

KEY TAKEAWAYS

The webinar emphasized the need for:

- ✓ Sustainable practices and Technological advancement
- ✓ Collaboration across the entire food supply chain to ensure food security
- ✓ And address environmental challenges

Writing for the media (science policy communication)

TOP TAKEAWAYS

Effective science policy communication require compelling narratives, using accessible language, while emphasizing on the relevance of the research to the broader societal issues

Experiences, Activities and Outputs Of The Fellowship

Resilience Index Measurement and Analysis by FAO-



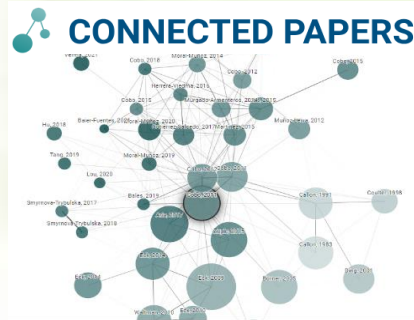
- ❑ The importance of **assessing and enhancing resilience** in various systems.
- ❑ Understanding and measuring resilience can aid in **better preparation for and recovery from disruptions**, thus contributing to the overall sustainability and adaptability of affected communities

Awarded: UN badge recognition



Experiences, Activities and Outputs Of The Fellowship

Using connected papers



The webinar provided insights into leveraging interconnected research, collaboration and advancements in a specified field

Training on Fast Mapping tool



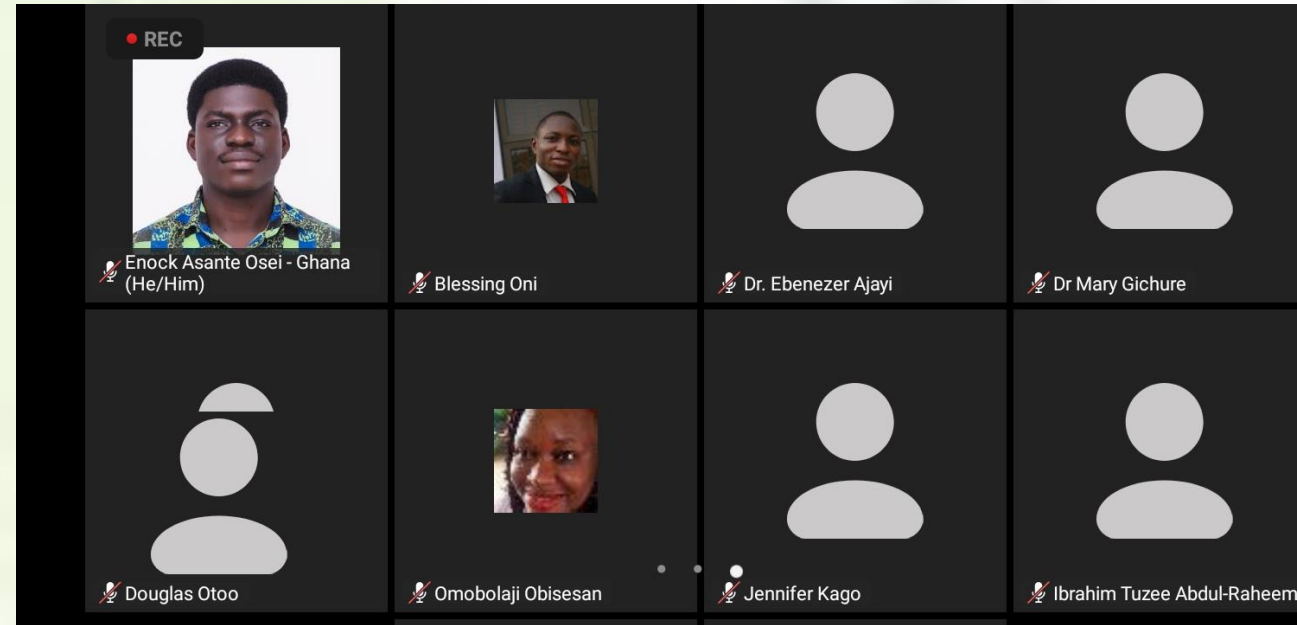
Efficient utilization of mapping technology to accurately locate and navigate destinations using GPS data.

Experiences, Activities and Outputs of the Fellowship

ODK and Data analysis BY DR EBENEZER AJAYI



Take home message: the proficiency in using open data kit (ODK) for **efficient data collection** and **gaining skills in data analysis**.



Experiences, Activities and Outputs Of The Fellowship

Grant writing and professional networks: *Building a Thriving and Sustainable Research Career*



BY DR EBENEZER AJAYI

The webinar emphasized on the role that **effective grant writing** and **professional networks** play in advancing and sustaining a successful research career.

Strategic grant application and **cultivating strong professional networks** are essential for long term success in research

Participation in the Circularity Africa Conference

Research Topic : **Rethinking
Disruptive Agricultural
Technologies For Improved
Productivity Among Small Holder
Farmers : Literature Review**

Rethinking Disruptive Agricultural Technologies for Improved Productivity among Smallholder Farmers: Literature Review

Presenter: Avoga Tabitha

Mentor: Dr. Ebenezer Ajayi



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Key output:

- ✓ Networking opportunities,
- ✓ Skill development,
- ✓ Exposure and visibility,
- ✓ Knowledge and information



Participation In 29th International Development Research Society Conference



Rethinking Disruptive Agricultural Technologies for Improved Productivity among Smallholder Farmers: Literature Review

Presenter: [Tabitha Avoga](#)

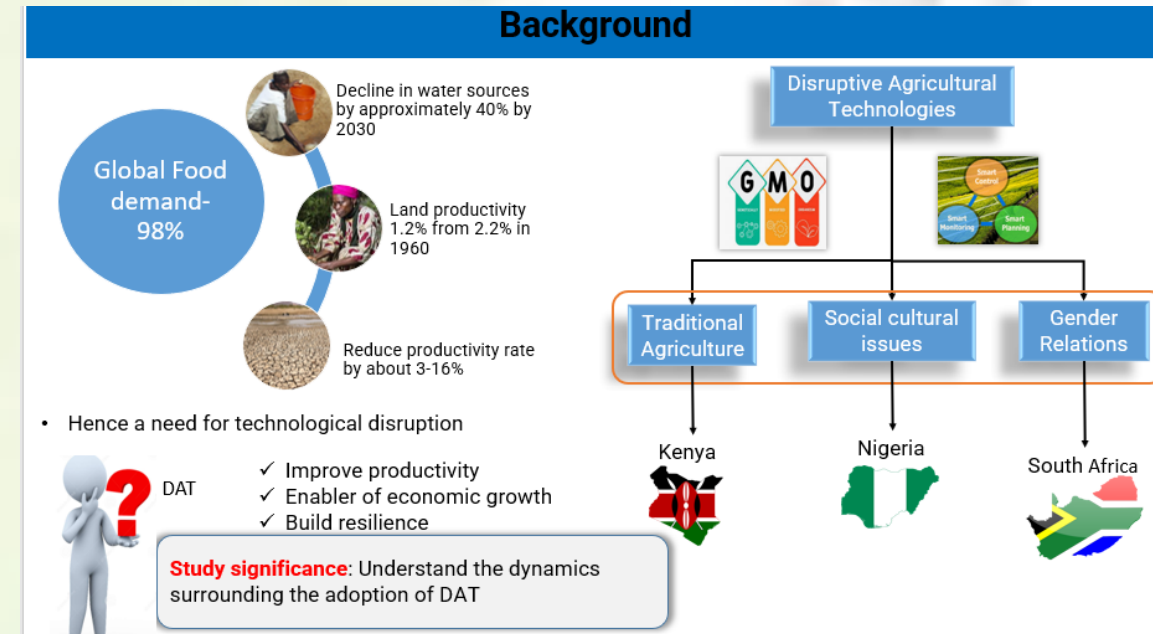
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□ **Key output:** networking opportunities, skill development, exposure and visibility, knowledge and information



Most Significant Contributions Of The Fellowship To My Professional Career

- Capacity building in research writing
- Networking

Suggestions For The Management Team

- The management could integrate **active research** in the fellowship
- Physical meetings** between mentors and mentees

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