



African Graduate Mentorship And Coaching Program Memorabilia (2024)

Anyuor Samantha Akoth
Mentee- Masters Category

Mentor

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Introduction

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.

This brings together students from all over African continent as a means of coaching to become great researchers and also promote their visibility through working collaboration and networks.

Personal Statement

Samantha is an Agricultural extension and food security specialist. Who for the past five years has worked as Junior research fellow in the faculty of Agriculture and Environmental sciences at Chuka University. Have experience in teaching and research with skills in qualitative and quantitative data analytics.

Research Interests

Climate change adaptation, food system transformation and household food security.

Goal

Promote household food security through dissemination of sustainable climate adaptation strategies.

Educational Background

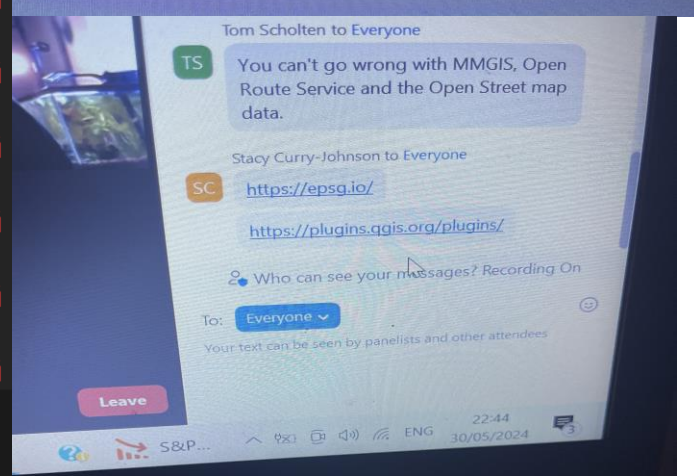
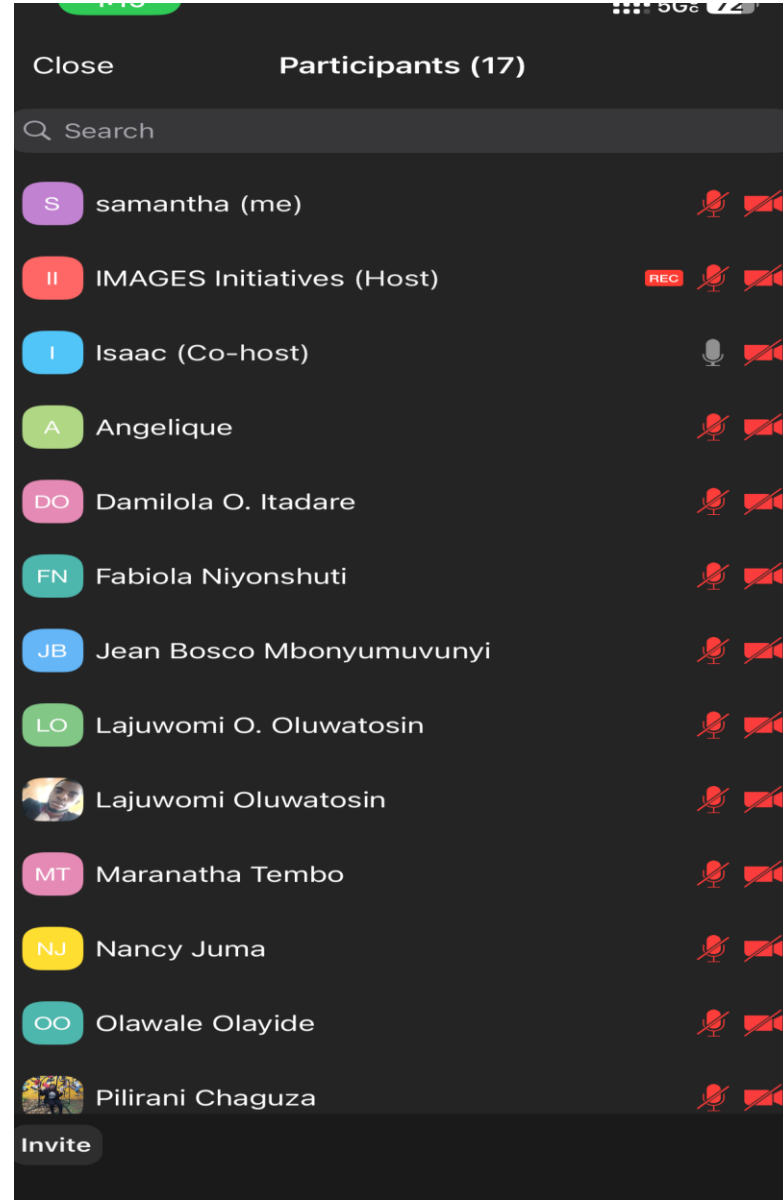
1. Master of science in Agriculture Extension; Chuka University-Kenya.
Research focus(Climate Adaptation)
2. Master of science in Food Security and Sustainable agriculture-;Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology- Kenya
Research Focus(Insect for food and commercialization for household food security)
3. Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Extension and Education; Chuka University-Kenya.

Monthly webinar series

Month	Activity	Facilitator
February	CAADP, post malabo processes and food systems in Africa.	IMAGES
April –may	Training on understanding RIMA (Resilience Index Measurement and Analysis).	Team from FAO
June	Grant writing and professional networks.	Dr. Ebenezer Ajayi
July	Research paper publications and impacts.	Prof. Tomas Ramos
August – October	Data collection, data analytics and visualization	Isaac Oritogun
October	Sustainable food supply chain	African Green Innovation School Program
	Leveraging kitchen waste	HELPS
November	Research leadership and work-life balance	Prof. Olubukola Babalola

Experience

- I. URISA webinar series on QGIS
- II. Data analytics (collection and visualization)
- III. Solar tracking systems
- IV. Understanding RIMA



Achievements

- Online course on Food systems at Wageningen University- Netherlands.
- Graduated with master degree from Chuka University.
- Sustainable food supply chain webinar.



Certificate



E-course Food Systems

Facilitated by Wageningen Centre for Development Innovation
Wageningen, the Netherlands
2 February 2024 – 16 March 2024

This is to certify that

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participated and successfully completed the E-course Food Systems with following course modules: (1) Why does a food systems approach matter; (2) Making food systems analysis work; (3) The process of transforming food systems; (4) Governance of transforming food system

Herman Brouwer
Lead facilitator
Module 1



Herman Snel
Lead facilitator
Module 3



Just Dengerink
Lead facilitator
Module 2



Bert de Steenhuisen Piers
Lead facilitator
Module 4



Contribution of the Fellowship to My Professional Career

- Networking especially through the monthly meetings and was able to join the GSLSN.
- Improved my data analysis skills which was handy for my research work.
- Capacity building.

Shortcomings

- Work schedule could sometime limit my active contribution in the webinar series especially when called upon to join the discussion.
- Time difference was conflicting with some programs coming on weekends but managed to follow along.

Suggestions for the AGMCP Management

There should be regular presentation of research output by the mentees to improve their skills on sharing data and research outcome.

Facilitation of mentees to attend conferences and advocate for for physical meetings to make the interactions more realistic.

Acknowledgment

I would like to appreciate the entire team and management of AGMCP for the opportunity to be part of this great cohort to learn and broaden my network and career in general.

Appreciation to my Mento Prof. Idowu Oladele for his warm reception and professionalism.

Generally, the program is interesting, I enjoyed every bit of it.

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Next Step

Looking forward to PhD opportunities in Agriculture extension, climatology, food security and sustainable agriculture or related fields.

Thank you.