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Sustainable Food Systems, Food Security and Agricultural Development

Online Workshop

**University of Parma –
Masinde Muliro University of Science and
Technology (MMUST)**

Monday, 21 September 2026
13:00–16:30 CET (14:00–17:30 EAT)

The workshop will be held on the Teams
Platform and can be accessed [at this link.](#)



Programme

13:00–13:20	Welcome and opening remarks — Prof. Christopher Ngacho (Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Planning, Research and Innovation, MMUST); Dr. Umulkher Ali Abdillahi (Director, Directorate of International Relations and Academic Linkages, MMUST); Prof. Emanuele Castelli (FOSTER Project Coordinator, University of Parma)
Panel I — Legal Frameworks, Human Rights and Food Security in Conflict (Chair: Prof. Emanuele Castelli)	
13:20–13:35	Food Security: the International Legal Framework <i>Dr. Ludovica Di Lullo — University of Parma</i>
13:35–13:50	Weaponising Food in Terrorist Insurgencies: The Cases of Boko Haram and Al-Shabaab <i>Dr. Simone Papale — University of Parma</i>
13:50–14:05	From Crisis to Resilience: Mitigation of Food Weaponization through Sustainable Food Systems in Africa — A Case Study of Kenya <i>Dr. Ferdinand Nabiswa — MMUST</i>
14:05–14:20	Micronutrient Food Insecurity in Informal Settlements: Addressing Micronutrient Gaps in Slum Communities <i>Dr. Anne Musotsi, Prof. Silvenus Konyole & Ms. Lilian Soibe — MMUST</i>
14:20–14:40	Q&A / Discussion
Panel II — Sustainable Food Systems, Safety and Agricultural Development (Chair: Dr. Umulkher Ali Abdillahi)	
14:40–14:55	The Contribution of Short Food Supply Chains to the Development and Promotion of More Sustainable Food Systems <i>Mr. Angelo Buttignol — University of Parma</i>
14:55–15:10	Crop Production Potential and Sustainable Food Systems in Western Kenya: Implications for Food Security <i>Dr. Edward Mugalavai — MMUST</i>
15:10–15:25	Investigating Food Safety Awareness among Young Adults in Rwanda <i>Ms. Hilva Gjoni & Ms. Irene Picicci — University of Parma</i>
15:25–15:40	Food Safety Along the Food Value Chain <i>Dr. Anne Musotsi, Prof. Silvenus Konyole & Ms. Lilian Soibe — MMUST</i>
15:40–15:55	Food Loss and Waste in Smallholder Farming Systems in Kenya <i>Dr. Vitalis Ogemah & Dr. Evelyne M'MBone — MMUST</i>
15:55–16:30	Q&A / Discussion Closing remarks — Prof. Francis Orata Omoto (Director, Directorate of Research and Postgraduate Support, MMUST)