

## The Impact of Covid-19 on Food Systems – Experiences from Ghana and South Africa

FSNet-Africa, the DSI-NRF Centre of Excellence in Food Security, and the Department of Anthropology and Archaeology at the University of Pretoria, invite you to a #FoodTalks seminar on the impact of Covid-19 on Food Systems in Africa. The inputs in this webinar are based on an IDRC supported three country (South Africa, Ghana and Tanzania) study of the impacts of Covid-19 regulations on the political economy of food systems in Africa. Join us in unpacking this important topic - from the impact on farmers to market and street traders and others - and discussing the implications for our food systems going forward.

## **Speakers**



**Akosua Darkwah** is an Associate Professor and Head of Department of Sociology at the University of Ghana. She has expertise in innovative qualitative research with a focus on the ways in which global economic policies and migration reconfigure women's work and households in Ghana.

She is currently an editor of the African Studies Review and, amongst others, is a member of the International Sociological Association, Sociologists for Women in Society, and the Ghana Sociological and Anthropological Association.



**Marc Wegerif** is a Lecturer in Development Studies at the University of Pretoria, South Africa. His research focusses on food systems, agrarian transformation and land rights. He has over 30 years of development sector work experience from project level to national and international policy and advocacy. His Doctorate was obtained with the Rural Sociology Group at Wageningen University.



**Colleta Gandidzanwa** is a Postdoctoral Fellow with the Food Systems Research Network for Africa (FSNet-Africa) at the University of Pretoria. She previously worked as a researcher on the economics of agricultural research and development and on the Land Reform's Proactive Land Acquisition Strategy in South Africa. Her experience includes investment analysis and research project management with a focus on the productivity of smallholder farmers and agricultural investments.

**Date:** Wednesday, 8 September 2021

**Time:** 13:00 – 14:00

**Register at:** <a href="https://up-ac-za.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_IMunXe3UTEK-SxH6rRPWGA">https://up-ac-za.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_IMunXe3UTEK-SxH6rRPWGA</a>

## #FoodTalks

Food talks to us at many levels, touching on important aspects of our lives and society. These dialogues will be a space to talk about the current food system and how we can move to a socially and ecologically regenerative, just and nourishing food system in Africa.



