



Shea Virtual Lab

From June 25 - July 9, 2020 | Time: 2 PM GMT | Duration: 60 minutes

From June 25 to July 9, the Global Shea Alliance will hold a series of technical webinars to provide industry update, discuss market opportunities and challenges during and post the COVID-19 pandemic as well as highlight developments in shea sustainability.

The series of technical webinars will focus on three topics; and speakers will deliver 10-15 minutes' presentation; followed by question & answer session.

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Theme 1

**Opportunities for Shea Beyond
COVID-19**

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Theme 2

**Female Entrepreneurship and Shared
Value Creation**

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Theme 3

**Innovation in Parklands Restoration:
Research and Project-Based Solutions**

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Meet our Speakers

Opportunities for Shea Beyond COVID-19

<p>Ali Saidu CEO, Salid Agriculture Nigeria Ltd.</p>	<p>Impact of COVID-19 on Shea Supply Chains</p> <p>Ali is Co-founder of Salid Agriculture Nigeria Ltd, an agricultural commodities company that trades Shea. Ali is also the Vice President of National Shea Products Association of Nigeria (NASPAN).</p>	
<p>Dora Torwiesh Nuts for Growth</p>	<p>Impact of COVID -19 on Demand and Shea Production in Producing Countries</p> <p>Dora is the CEO of Nuts for Growth, a major supplier in the Ghanaian shea industry. She believes that shea is 'she' and as such, women should be the fulcrum of every sustainability concept.</p>	
<p>Ify Ogo Trade Specialist and Economist</p>	<p>The Africa Free Trade Agreement beyond COVID -19</p> <p>Ify Ogo is a Trade Specialist and Legal Economist. She has worked with the African Trade Policy Centre, UN Economic Commission for Africa where she led the Trade in Services work stream and was a focal point for trade diversification covering digital economy, blue economy and green economy portfolios. Also, in this role, she directly supported the AfCFTA negotiations, as well as country-level implementation processes.</p>	

Female Entrepreneurship and Shared Value Creation

<p>Andrew Wardell Center for International Forestry Research</p>	<p>Opportunities and Challenges in Empowerment of Women Shea Producer</p> <p>Andrew has forty years of experience in natural resource governance, capacity development and finance. He currently leads an IDRC/FTA-financed research project - 'Globalizations in a nutshell - Opportunities and risks for women shea producers in West Africa shea parklands.'</p>	
<p>Francesca Opoku CEO, Solution Oasis</p>	<p>Bridging the Gender Gap through Women Entrepreneurship</p> <p>Francesca is a Social Entrepreneur, and Chief Executive Officer of Solution Oasis Ltd; a Ghanaian agro-processing company that manufactures the Beauty Secrets and Exotic Man ranges of natural beauty products made from ethically sourced african butters, oils and agricultural waste.</p>	

Innovation in Parklands Restoration: Research and Project-Based Solutions

<p>Louis Bockel FAO</p>	<p>Shea Supply Chain Analysis: A Case Study from FAO</p> <p>Louis is Policy Support Officer at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Regional Office for Africa. He is a specialist in Economics of Agriculture Development. He has a PhD in economics and a series of Masters in agriculture, farming systems and rural economy and sociology of developing countries.</p>	
<p>Luitzen Santman BirdLife</p>	<p>Integrating Biodiversity into Sustainable Shea Production Chains</p> <p>Luitzen works as a conservationist at BirdLife The Netherlands and focuses on the restoration of Shea Parklands for the benefits of local communities and biodiversity. Luitzen has over 15 years of experience with community centred conservation in Africa.</p>	

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