



## SAEAP Conference

Strengthening Africa-Europe Academic Partnership  
for improving intersectoral governance - 2026

Addis Ababa (Ethiopia), March 31 - April 3

Modality: Hybrid: Addis Ababa University, Main campus (Ras Mekonnen Hall & Old Senate Hall) and online

Time	Tuesday, March 31	Wednesday, April 1	Thursday, April 2	Friday, April 3
9:00 - 10:30	IPORA General Assembly	Global health inequities & poverty-related diseases	Innovations for food and nutrition security: translating evidence into effective policies and programs	Research to Policy: Examples from across disciplines
10:30 - 11:00		Break		
11:00 - 12:00		Global health inequities & poverty-related diseases	Innovations for food and nutrition security: translating evidence into effective policies and programs	Round table: Supporting policy-oriented research
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch and Posters			
13:00 - 14:00	Training meeting			Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	Round table: Strengthening Africa Europe Academic Partnerships	Artificial Intelligence X IPORA ?	Atmospheric pollution	Social Equity and Informality : Interdisciplinary in action: insights from an IPORA research project in Abidjan
15:30 - 16:00	Break			
16:00 - 17:00	Launch of the Ethiopian Atlas for Food Security and Nutrition	Water, Urbanization and Health	Epistemics and Interdiscipli narity	Visits
17:00 - 17:30	Keynote <b>Prof. Jeffrey Sachs</b>			

## DETAILED PROGRAM AND SPECIFIC VENUES

**Day 1 – Tuesday 31 March 2026**

<b>09:00 - 12:00</b>	<b>IPORA General Assembly</b>	<b>IPORA Members and invitees only</b>
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**Acronyms** : AAU, Addis Ababa University; AU, African Union ; CIFOR-ICRAF, Center for International Forestry Research - International Center for Research in Agroforestry ; EAS, Ethiopian Academy of Sciences ; EU, European Union; FID/AFD, Agence Française de Développement ; IEP, Sciences Po Bordeaux; IFPRI, International Food Policy Research Institute; IUR, International University of Rabat ; MoPD, Ministry of Planning and Development (Ethiopia) ; UB, University of Bordeaux; UFHB, University Félix Houphouët-Boigny; UK, University of Korhogo; UNZA, University of Zambia; UT, University of Twente; WU, Wollo University

Time	Event/session	Presenters/speakers/panelists
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch & Posters ( <i>Ras Mekonnen Hall</i> )	
13:00 - 14:00	Training meeting: Formalizing an interdisciplinary approach to climate negotiation training in Africa: results and key lessons from a workshop held in Rabat in Oct. 2025	Presenter: Julien Durand de Sanctis (IUR)
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14:00 - 15:30	Round table: Strengthening Africa Europe Academic Partnerships	Moderator: Alemu Mekonnen (AAU) Panelists: Zié Ballo (UFHB), Samuel Kifle Kidane (AAU) Mohamed Tozy (IUR), Jean-Marc Figuet (UB), Caseley O. Stephens (AU), Laurent Bochereau (EU)
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15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 - 17:00	Launch of the Ethiopian Atlas for Food Security and Nutrition	Chairs: Kaleab Baye (AAU), Tanguy Bernard (UB) Presenter: Alemayehu Geletu (AAU-UB)
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**Day 2 – Wednesday 1 April 2026**

Time	Event/session	Presenters/speakers/panelists
9:00 - 10:30	<b>Global health inequities &amp; poverty-related diseases</b>	Chair: Chishala Chabala (UNZA) and Joanna Orne-Gliemann (UB)
	Introduction, axis scope & objectives	Chishala Chabala (UNZA), Joanna Orne-Gliemann (UB)
	TBC	Peter Hangoma (UNZA)
	Situations of high vulnerability to maternal mortality risk: the case of near-misses in Dakar : an interdisciplinary approach.	Chrystelle Grenier-Torres (UB)
	TBC – Geospatial analysis in health	Isaac Fwemba (UNZA)
	TBC – Access to cancer care in Cote d'Ivoire	Simon Boni (UFHB)
	Discussion	
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10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 12:00	<b>Global health inequities &amp; poverty-related diseases (Continued)</b>	Chair: Chishala Chabala (UNZA) and Joanna Orne-Gliemann (UB)
	Interdisciplinary research to improve child TB diagnosis	Chishala Chabala (UNZA), Joanna Orne-Gliemann (UB)
	Social determinants of TB	Yeshewas Abaynew (WU)
	Nourish TB proposal	Marc d'Elbée (UB)
	Discussion	
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch & Posters ( <i>Ras Mekonnen Hall</i> )	
13:00 - 14:00	Training meeting : Visibility of interdisciplinary training: for students, for researchers, for universities (criteria, quality, diplomas...)	Joanna Orne-Gliemann (UB) Céline Thiriot (IEP)
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14:00 - 15:30	Artificial Intelligence X IPORA ?	Chair: Tanguy Bernard (UB) Melkamu Beyene (AAU) Daniel Tesfu Asrat (Digital Green)
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15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 - 17:30	<b>Water, Urbanization and Health</b>	Chair: Asnake Kefale (AAU)
	Water access and inequality in Addis Ababa	Asnake Kefale and Alemu Mekonnen (AAU)
	Engaging expert-stakeholders to refine an intervention prototype for increasing physical activity and reducing sedentary behavior in Ethiopian office workers: a modified Delphi study using the RE-AIM framework	Abel Negussie (AAU)
	Fueling inequality: evidence from panel data on household fuel risk and health burden disparities in Ethiopia	Negash Debalke (AAU)
	Discussion	
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16:00 - 17:30	<b>Epistemics and Interdisciplinarity</b>	Yousra Abourabi, Zineb Omary, Julien Durand de Sanctis (IUR), Jean-Noël Férrié (IEP), Rania Qarouach, Aya Boubel (UB)
	Presentation of the collective volume "African Governance" published by Palgrave	
	Progress report on the research axis and fieldwork	
	Discussion	
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Day 3 – Thursday 2 April 2026

Time	Event/session	Presenters/speakers/panelists
9:00 - 10:30	<b>Innovations for food and nutrition security: translating evidence into effective policies and programs</b>	Chair: Paulos Getachew (AAU)
	Framing presentation: Rewarding the social benefits of small scale farming	Tanguy Bernard (UB), Kaleab Baye (AAU)
	Discussion	
	Ag-innovations in Ethiopia, Cote d'Ivoire, and Morocco: a stocktake	Jeremy Do-nascimento-miguel (UB), Zineb Omary (IUR), Thierry Zoue (UFHB), Demile Basha (AAU)
	Historical evolution of Ag policies in Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, and Morocco - a comparative assessment	Zineb Omary (IUR), Fiona Gedeon (UB), Eyoel Mesfin (AAU)
	Discussion	
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10:30 - 11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:00 - 12:00	<b>Innovations for food and nutrition security: translating evidence into effective policies and programs</b>	Chair: Paulos Getachew (AAU)
	Adoption and diffusion assessment from the sky	Michael Marshall (UT), Mariana Belgiu (UT), Binyam Tesfaw (AAU), Mintesinot Berhanu (AAU), Samuel Getachew (AAU)
	Diffusion and impact: Afar forage case study	Kaleab Baye, Binyam Tesfaw, Mintesinot Berhanu and Samuel Getachew (AAU)
	Discussion	
	Connecting the dots and implications	Alemayehu Seyoum Taffesse (IFPRI)
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch & Posters ( <i>Ras Mekonnen Hall</i> )	
13:00 - 14:00	Training meeting : Interdisciplinary trajectories / sustaining interdisciplinary communities: results from an online survey among IPORA trainees + broader discussion	Presenter: Helen Berga (AAU)
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14:00 - 15:30	<b>Atmospheric pollution</b>	Chairs: Madina Doumbia (UK), Thomas Thivillon (UB)
	TBC	Mulugeta Tamire
	Air pollution and climate change	Madina Doumbia (UK)
	Using satellite data to study the impacts of clean cooking interventions on air pollution and infant mortality	Thomas Thivillon (UB)
	Respiratory symptoms and functional disorders among children exposed to PM <sub>2.5</sub> from solid fuel use in Abidjan	Auriane Pajot (UB)
	Round-table: Advancing interdisciplinary research on air pollution: prospects, issues and challenges	
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14:00-15:30	<b>Social Equity and Informality: Interdisciplinary in action: insights from an IPORA research project in Abidjan</b>	Chair: Eric Rougier (UB)
	Showing and investigating informality through interdisciplinarity	Eric Rougier (UB)
	The IPORA mechanical survey: From the interdisciplinary questionnaire to the data paper	Josias Ouedraogo (UB)
	First results presentation: " Production, Norms, and Land Tenure in Abidjan's Informal Mechanical Sector: A Multidimensional Statistical Analysis "	François Combarous (UB)
	How to put interdisciplinarity in pictures? A discussion about the fabrication of the IPORA documentary film on the mechanical sector workers in Abidjan"	Claire Gondard-Delcroix (UB) and Christophe Leroy and Céline Ségalini (visual anthropologists)
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15:30 - 16:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
16:00 - 17:00	Keynote lecture: the role of universities and research institutions on driving Africa's sustainable development	Prof. Jeffrey Sachs (Columbia Univ.)
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**Day 4 – Friday 3 April 2026**

Time	Event/session	Presenters/speakers/panelists
9:00 - 10:30	<b>Research to Policy: Examples from across disciplines</b>	Chair: Thierry Zoué (UFHB)
	Case study 1: public health	Chishala Chabala (UNZA)
	Case study 2: economics	Habtemariam Kassa (CIFOR-ICRAF)
	Case study 3 : environment	Gashaw Abate Tadesse (IFPRI)
	Discussion	
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10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 12:30	Round table: Supporting policy-oriented research	Moderator: Alemayehu Seyoum Taffesse (IFPRI) Estelle Plat (FID/AFD) Fitsum Mulugeta (World Bank) Teketel Yohannes (EAS)
	Closure of the conference	
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12:30 - 13:30	<b>LUNCH</b>	
13:30 - 17:00	<b>VISITS</b>	