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**1973-2023 " FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PERMANENT INTER-
STATE COMMITTEE FOR DROUGHT CONTROL IN THE SAHEL
(CILSS)**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE
INAUGURAL CONFERENCE**

**THEME : "CILSS CONTRIBUTION TO THE TECHNICAL COACHING
OF COUNTRIES IN RESPONDING TO FOOD AND NUTRITION
SHOCKS".**

Date : Thursday 13 July 2023
place: DGPV/MARAH conference room

June 2023

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The Permanent Inter-State Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS) was set up on 12 September 1973 in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso (formerly Upper Volta) by six (06) founding countries (Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger and Senegal) following the major droughts that hit the Sahel in the 1970s.

"Fifty years after its creation, the CILSS now has thirteen (13) member states, including eight (8) coastal states (Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, Senegal, and Togo), four (4) landlocked states (Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger, and Chad), and one (1) island state (Cabo Verde)."

Its mandate was redefined after the organisational and institutional reform initiated in 2017 as follows: "To invest in the search for Food and Nutritional Security and the fight against the effects of desertification and Climate Change for an ecological balance and sustainable development in the Sahel and West Africa"

Over the fifty or so years of its existence, the CILSS has positioned itself in the Sahel and West Africa as a benchmark institution in the search for effective and sustainable solutions to help the people of the Sahel and West Africa combat the effects of drought and other climatic risk factors such as flooding.

With regard to food and nutrition insecurity, since 1999 the CILSS, with the support of its partners, has developed a fundamental tool, the Harmonised Framework (HF), to identify and monitor the vulnerability of populations to food and nutrition insecurity in the Sahel and West Africa.

The Harmonized Framework is a federating tool that enables relevant analyses to be made of current and projected food and nutrition situations in the countries of the Sahel and West Africa. This was followed by the creation of the Food Crisis Prevention Network (RPCA), a framework for dialogue, coordination and the construction of a coherent and consensual vision of the food and nutrition situation.

These tools have allowed the Sahelian and West African region, as well as all their development partners, to be regularly informed about food insecurity risks and to be equipped for decision-making at the highest level.

As part of the commemoration of its fiftieth anniversary, Burkina Faso has organised a number of activities, including conferences. The theme of the first conference, to be held in July 2023, is "CILSS's contribution to the technical coaching of countries in responding to food and nutrition shocks". This exchange meeting will allow for reflections on the achievements of CILSS's contribution in the fight for food and nutrition security in Burkina Faso, as well as prospective actions to improve the existing tools. And this is indeed the essence of the present terms of reference.

II. OBJECTIVES

The general objective of this fiftieth anniversary commemorative conference is to increase the knowledge of decision-makers and politicians about the main technical achievements of CILSS for Burkina Faso, as well as its forward-looking technical actions up to 2050.

The specific objectives are to

- to present the main achievements of CILSS technical support in Burkina Faso in relation to food and nutrition security and climate change; présenter les actions techniques prospectives du CILSS à l'horizon 2050;
- to identify and discuss shortcomings and areas for improvement in future CILSS interventions and technical support for Burkina Faso.

III. RESULTATS ATTENDUS

The main expected results are :

- - The main achievements of CILSS technical support in Burkina Faso in relation to food and nutritional security and climate change are presented;
- the prospective technical actions of the CILSS up to 2050, reserved for Burkina Faso, are presented;
- ways in which the CILSS could improve its many future technical interventions and support for Burkina Faso are identified and discussed.

IV. METHODOLOGY

In terms of methodology, the conference will be led in the form of a panel by resource persons from the DGESS/MARAH, the ANAM, the DGPV with the support of CILSS experts and in synergy with the SE-CNSA and any other partner deemed necessary.

A participatory approach combining interactive presentations and plenary discussions to better explain the contributions and role of CILSS in supporting Burkina Faso will be favoured with a view to highlighting its effectiveness and performance in improving the food and nutrition situation and climate change.

In addition to the conference, the general public and participants will be able to view an exhibition of various scientific documents relating to the 50 years of the CILSS.

V. SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

The conference will be held on Thursday 13 July 2023 in the DGPV/MARAH conference room. It will be attended by around one hundred (100) guests from government bodies, international institutions (ADB, EU, WB, FAO, WFP), regional organisations (ECOWAS, UEMOA), civil society organisations, development partner NGOs, research and development institutions, universities and projects and programmes.

The schedule of activities is shown in the table below:

Schedule	Conference segment	Leaders
8h30-9h00mn	Welcoming participants	SE-CNSA
9h00-9h20mn	Introductory remarks Welcome address Reminder of the objectives of the conference	SE-CNSA MARAH Facilitator
9h00-9h30mn	Coffee break	SE-CNSA/Provider
10h00-10h20mn	Communication 1 : Tools developed by the CILSS, strengths and weaknesses, proposals for improvement: Case of the Harmonised Framework (CH).	SAP/DGESS/MARAH Facilitator
10h20-10h40mn	Communication 2 : Tools developed by the CILSS, strengths and weaknesses, proposals for improvement: The case of the Response and Support Plan for Populations Vulnerable to Food Insecurity and Malnutrition (PRSPV)	SE-CNSA/MARAH Facilitator
10h40-11h00mn	Communication 3 : Tools developed by the CILSS, strengths and weaknesses, proposals for improvement: the case of pesticide registration (CSP-COAHs).	CSP/DGPV/MARAH
11h00-11h20mn	Communication 4 : Tools developed by the CILSS, strengths and weaknesses, proposals for improvement: the case of seasonal agro-hydro-climatic forecasts for the Sahelian and Sudanian zones of West Africa (PRESASS).	ANAM/MTMUSR Facilitator
11h20-10h40mn	Communication 5 Perspectives for improving the various tools for monitoring food and nutritional security (CILSS).	PRA-SAN/CILSS Facilitator
11h40-12h40	General discussion	Facilitator
12h40-13h30mn	General conclusion Closing remarks	MARAH SE-CNSA
13h15-14h15mn	Lunch break / End	SE-CNSA Service provider

VI. LIST OF INVITED ORGANISATIONS

ORGANISATIONS	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
MARAH	34
Minister	1
SG	1
CABINET	3
SE-CNSA	15
SP/CPSA	1
HRD	1
DGF	1
DCRP	1
DGESS	1
DGPV	1
DGPA	1
DGSV	1
DGFOMR	1
DGPER	1
DGADI	1
BUNASOL	1
SONATER	1
SEPB (Société d'exploitation des phosphates du Burkina)	1
MEMBERS OF THE CONACILSS	25
OTHER MINISTRIES AND INSTITUTIONS	7
Ministry of Health and Public Hygiene	1
Ministry of the Environment, Water and Sanitation	1
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Cooperation and the Burkinabe Abroad	1
Ministry of Transport, Urban Mobility and Road Safety	1
Ministry of Industrial Development, Trade, Crafts and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises	1
Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation	2
CILSS	20
CILSS PARTNERS	10
ECOWAS	1
UEMOA	1
European Union (EU)	1
World Bank (WB)	1
African Development Bank (AfDB)	1
USAID	1
WFP	1
UNICEF	1
FEWS NET	1
FAO	1
CILSS PROJECTS/PROGRAMMES	4
P2RS	1

PREDIP	1
PRAPS	1
PARIIS	1
TOTAL	100

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