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# Breeding for the Grand Challenges

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## Program

08.15	Introduction	Robert Asiedu
08.30-09.10	Dennis Eriksson, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU)	Policy and regulatory issues for GMO and new breeding techniques
09.10-09.50	Elizabeth Parkes, IITA, Ibadan	Current status and future prospects of breeding cassava for micronutrients
09.50-10.30	Abebe Menkir, IITA, Ibadan	Breeding maize for micronutrient enrichment
10.30-10.45	Coffee Break	
10.45-11.30	Leena Tripathi, IITA, Nairobi	Role of genetic engineering in crop improvement
11.30-12.15	James Dale, Queensland University of Technology	Bananas: new traits into old cultivars by genetic modification
12.15-13.00	Malachy Akoroda, University of Ibadan	Capacity building for plant breeding in West Africa
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-14.40	Eugene Terry, Member, CGIAR Systems Management Board	Breeding to transform cassava
14.40-15.20	Eric Danquah, West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement (WACCI)	Advancing plant breeding education in sub-Saharan Africa: Successes and challenges.
15.20-16.00	Michael Njuguna, Africa Harvest	Consortium approach to develop and deploy sorghum enriched with vitamin A, iron and zinc for farmers in Africa: The case of African Biofortified Sorghum
16.00-16.15	Coffee/Tea	
16.15-17.30	Discussion	