



Scaling Up  
**NUTRITION**

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23<sup>rd</sup> Series of Country  
Network  
Teleconferences –  
Building and Sustaining  
Political Commitment for  
Nutrition Action (the Ugandan  
Experience)

# What were the key success factors in securing and sustaining political commitment for nutrition?

- The fact that nutrition had already been identified as a key binding constraint to development
- Already articulated in National policy and planning frameworks
- E.g. the National Constitution
- The National vision 2040
- The National Development Plan
- Key sector policies and strategies
- Commitment to the SUN and other international obligations, CAADP and Malabo Declaration

# What were the political circumstances and key steps taken?

## National:

- The constitution of the Republic provides nutrition as a rights issue
- NDP1 identified nutrition as a binding constraint to development
- Global paradigm shift towards MS approach to nutrition, nutrition as development and HR issue; its centrality to the development process
- As a cross cutting issue requiring joined and joint action ,

Global: SUN, ICN2, N4G, WHA, SDGs, Agenda 2063

# Who were the key decision makers engaged, how were they identified and what tools/ methods were used?

- Cabinet Committee on Nutrition Chaired by the PM comprising of political heads of implementing ministries
- Permanent Secretaries / Accounting Officers of implementing MDAs under the leadership of the PS/OPM
- Identified through the UNAP Coordination mechanism
- Coordination at OPM i.e. highest level with convening mandate- thus ensuring coordination, leadership, visioning, Monitoring

## Which stakeholders were integral to the effort?

- UN, DPs, CSOs, Academia, Private Sector, LGs, and local champions e.g. MPs
- Through the institutional coordination framework that provides for the different engagement structures names:
- the Donors Nutrition Coordination Committee, the Technical Multi Sectoral Nutrition Coordination Committee, and the CSO Coalition (UCCO-SUN)

# Challenges and guidance based on your experiences

## Challenges

- Sustaining the momentum amidst increasing expectations
- Resources
- Capacities – Both institutional and Human Capacities

## Lesson / guidance

- Information! Communication! Data! Effective partnerships! Capacities !!!