

Prof. Bernard Bashaasha

Bernard Bashaasha is a Ugandan national. He is a Professor Agricultural Economics and Policy and Principal, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at Makerere University, Uganda. He holds a Ph.D. in Agricultural and Development Economics from The Ohio State University, USA, an M.A in Economics from the same University and M. Sc in Agricultural Economics from Seoul National University, South Korea. He attended Makerere University for his Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture specializing in Agricultural Economics.

He has previously served as Head, Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness and Dean School of Agricultural sciences at Makerere University. He currently teaches both graduate and undergraduate level courses and served for three years as a guest Lecturer at the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) in Nairobi, Kenya. He is an active researcher and has published over forty articles in peer reviewed journals. To-date he has supervised over 50 graduate students to completion and has mentored many of the current staff teaching in the department of Agribusiness and Natural Resource Economics. He has previously served as an Advisor on Agriculture and Markets to the World Food Program (WFP) Country Director in Uganda. He serves on various government committees and Chairs various NGO Boards.

Professor Bashaasha has great passion for Uganda's Agricultural transformation. He is the brain behind several new and novel programs in CAES most notable of which is the Regional Collaborative Masters Degree in Agricultural and Applied Economics being taught in Eastern, Central and Southern Africa. He is also Principal Investigator (PI) of many research projects and has mobilised billions of shillings to support research and graduate student training in CAES. His current passion is to transform the Makerere University Agricultural Research Institute Kabanyolo (MUARIK) into a World class hub for training, demonstration and research outreach in Agricultural and related Sciences. He has also initiated various collaborations with both local and International organisations that have greatly benefited not only CAES but Makerere University at large. Prof. Bashaasha is widely travelled. He is married with three children and lives in Kampala, Uganda.