

Policy, Gender, and Nutrition Considerations

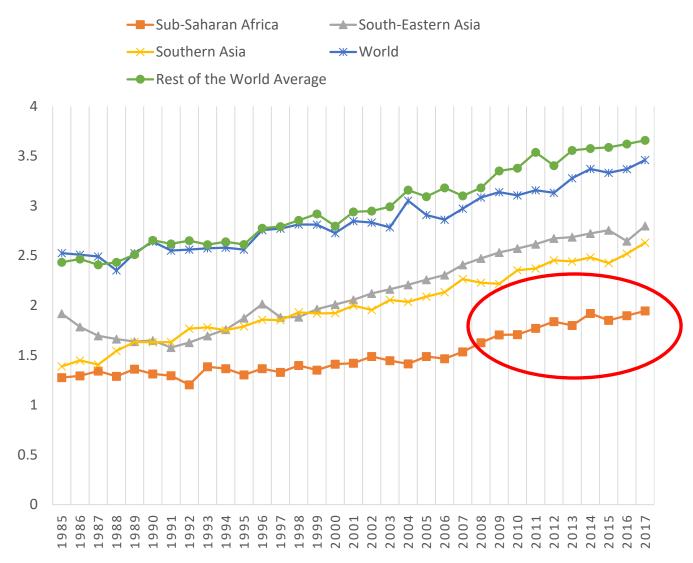
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Sub-Saharan Africa -higher Crop Yields





Source: FAOSAT downloaded on 19th Jan., 2019.

Agricultural growth rates, 2000-2016:

• Sub-Saharan Africa: +4.62 %

• Latin America: +2.49 %

• East Asia: +3.07 %

• South Asia: +2.96 %

• World +2.75 %



Over the last decade, the African Continent has Seen Progress

Increased Commitment from African Leaders

Following the Heads of State Commitment to Prioritize Agriculture in Maputo, 2003:

- 42 of 54 countries have signed CAADP compacts
- 13 countries have committed 10% of their budget
- 10 countries have achieved or exceeded 6% Ag GDP growth

Significant Increases in Development Assistance and Investment in Agriculture

Since the 2008 food price crisis:

- Development assistance to African ag has more than doubled in real terms
- Private sector investments in seeds, fertilizers, and agribusiness is rapidly growing

Millions of farmers have adopted technologies and practices that double yields

Partly stemming from this commitment and investment:

 African agricultural productivity is on the rise, with cereal yields in several countries more than doubling in the last 5 years

Progress in Ag sector growth, food security, and poverty reduction

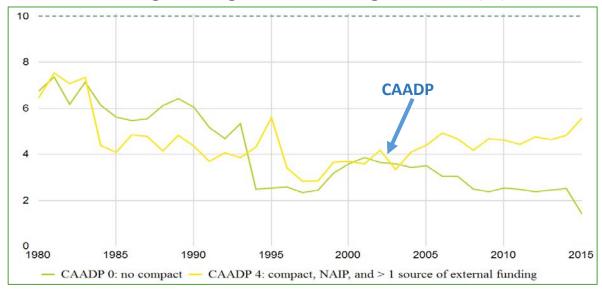
As a result, outcomes are improving:

- Food security and livelihoods in sub-Saharan Africa are no longer deteriorating
- More than half the continent will halve hunger by 2020

CAADP Has Demonstrated Real Policy Renewal and Results



Changes In Agricultural Budget Shares (%)



Countries that have

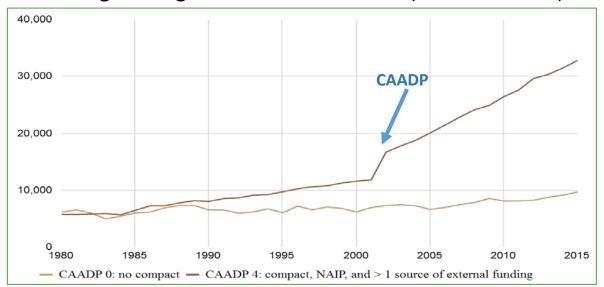
- embraced CAADP earlier and
- have reached advanced stages of implementation

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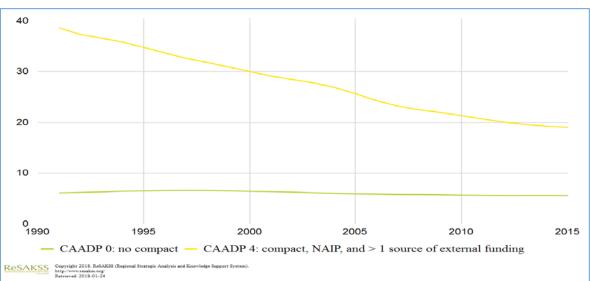
- raised ag investment faster
- experienced faster growth
- achieved far better nutrition outcomes

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Copyright 2017. ReSAKSS (Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System). http://www.resakss.org/ Retrieved: 2017-07-26 Changes In Agricultural Value Added (Mill. 2010 US\$)



Changes In Undernourished Population Share (%)

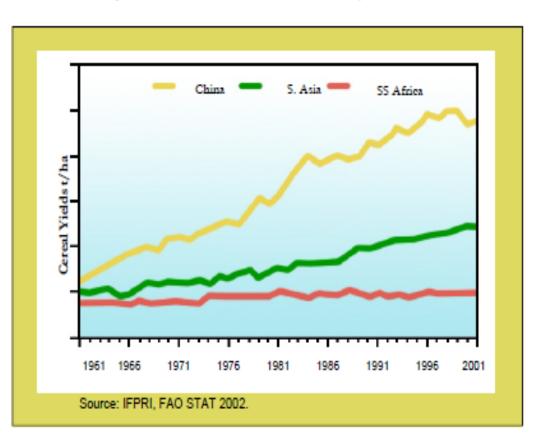


The outlook for African agriculture was bleak for a long time



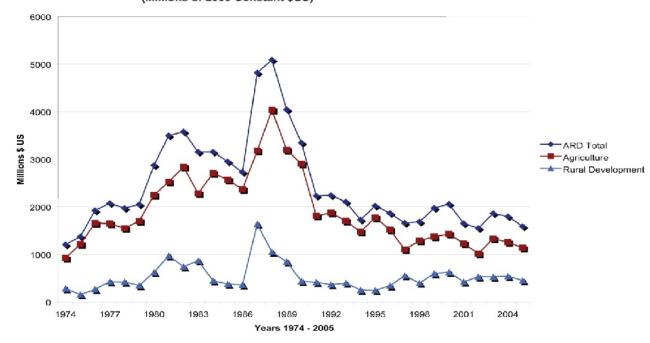
Food security, livelihoods and farm productivity were deteriorating....

Comparative Yield Growth Trends in Cereals, 1960-2000



....International and domestic investments into Agriculture was low





The Case of Ethiopia





"In 2016, Ethiopia and the Horn of Africa suffered the worst drought in 35 years. While worse than the droughts of the 80s, the effects were lower because we have built systems that enable us to deal with such disasters better"

H.E Hailemariam Desalegn, Ethiopia Prime Minister 2012 -2018

2 Strengthen Integrated Systems Approach to Deliver

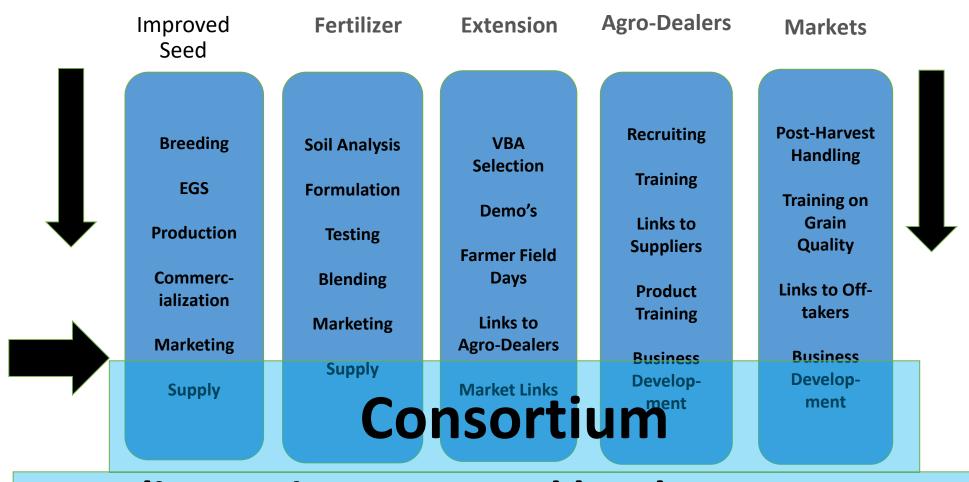


Ethiopia, for Example, Is Already Driving More **Effective Delivery of Agricultural Transformation** with Clusters to Bring **Systems Together**



Systems Need to Be Built through Vertical Integration and Geography-Base with Horizontal Integration in Consortia

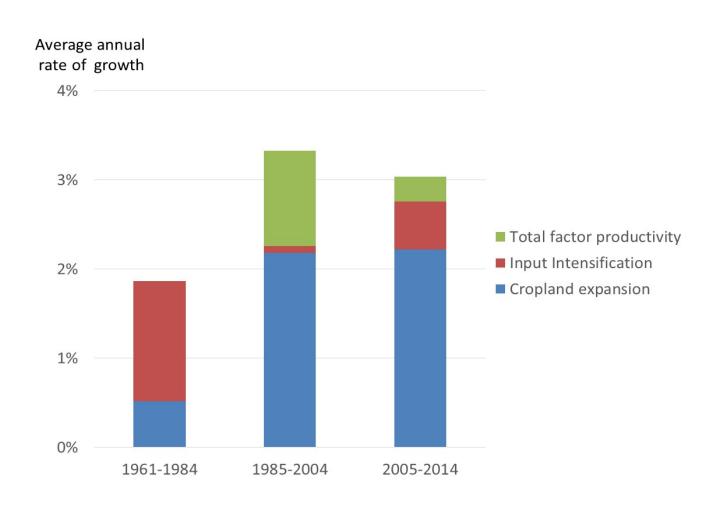




Policy environment and local governments



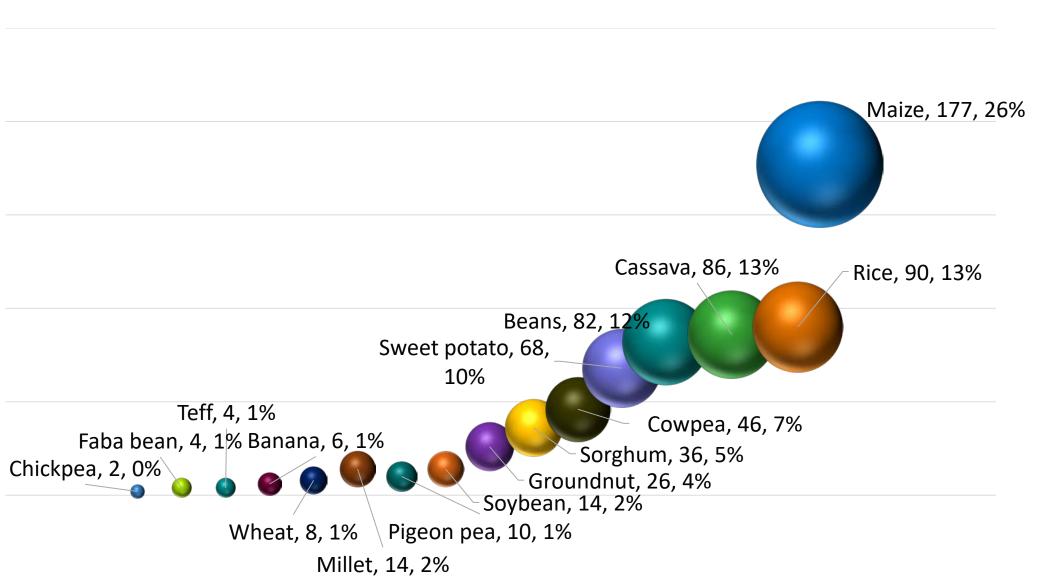
Building Sustainable Food Systems: Key Considerations



- Africa's agricultural growth still relies mainly on cropland expansion, not enough on productivity growth.
- We need to shift from extensification to intensification

673 New Crop Varieties Bred and Officially Released for African Farming Conditions

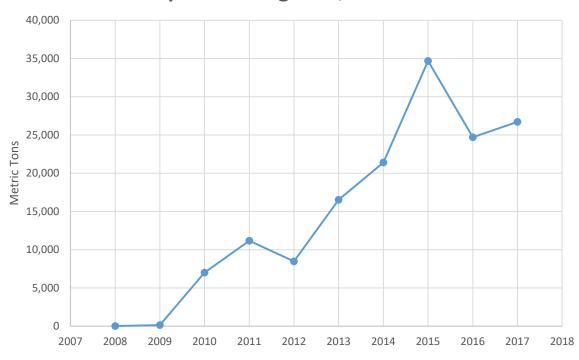




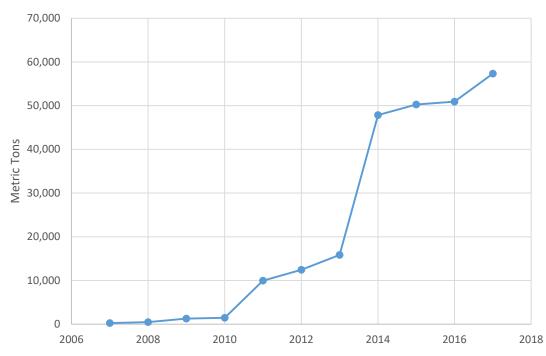
Seed Supply and Adoption by Farmers has Increased Dramatically in Some African Countries Over the Past Decade



Seed Supply by AGRA-Affiliated Seed Companies in Uganda, 2008-2017

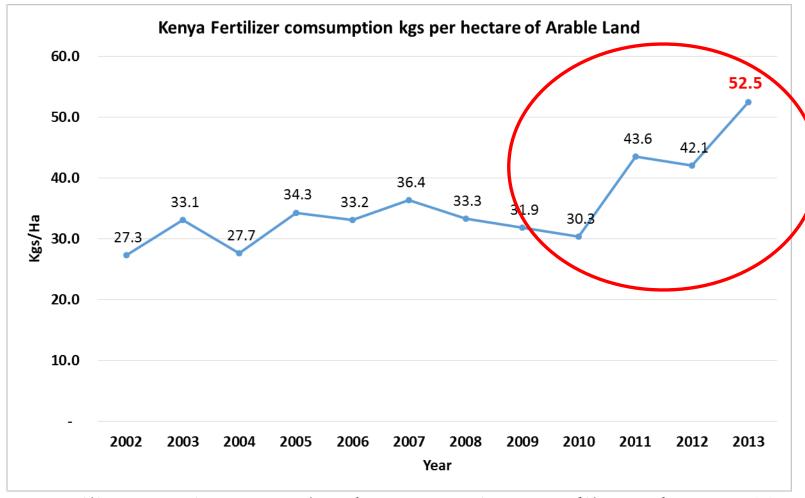


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In Kenya, Increased Production Stems from Increased Fertilizer Consumption

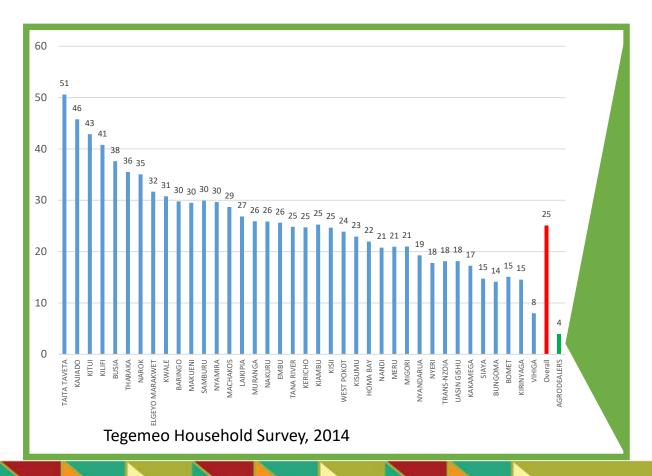




Fertilizer use in Kenya has been growing steadily at about 12% per year (31 kg/ha in 2007 to 52.5 kg/ha in 2013)

Across the continent inputs are reaching the farmer through increased Agrodealer penetration reducing distance to the farm from 60kms in 2007 to

A farmer travels an average of 25km to access an NCPB store to access fertilizer



Distance to seed dealers:	
Average distance to the nearest hybrid	3.9 km
maize seed dealer in the country	
Farthest distance to the nearest hybrid	18.7 km
maize seed dealer	
Average nearest distance to hybrid maize	1.5 km
seed dealer	

Seed System – Policy Gaps and **Solutions**



Breeding and Variety Release

- Plant Breeder Rights stuck in parliament
- Variety release takes long time b'se release committee doesn't meet regularly.
- Fees for Foreign companies for NPT are high 2019 Interventions
- Advocate for passage of PBRs
- Ghana seed regulations (Dec2018) activate VRCs and common variety catalogue and NPT fees







Marketing & Distribution Gaps

- Huge counterfeited seed on markets
- Distance to farmer & outlets is long
- · Inefficient subsidy delivery

Solutions

- Implement guidelines for registration seed merchants
- Support distribution channels
- Support more agro-dealer in areas where there none
- reduce distance farmers travel to accesses seed

Early Generation Supply Gaps & Solutions

- Push for a decree/orders to remove restrictions favouring monopolies for supply of EGS
- Inadequate quantities & uncontaminated of EGS
- Through regulations, put in place licence agreements btn NARs and private seed companies
- Increase quality and quantity of EGS supply by increasing the number of professional actors involved but avoid merchants



Regulatory Agency to do Inspection & Certification and Set of Policies (Govt)

- Easy access to public varieties
- Production of foundation seed of public varieties
- More liberal regulatory (accreditation) & certification requirements
- More liberal variety release procedures
- Lower royalty charges on licensed varieties
- Liberalized seed marketing & seed packaging
- Strengthen penalties for dealing in fake seed



Increased Awareness among Farmers

Gaps

- Amend the law & regulations that governs extension e.g. VBAs
- Through extension services.
- VBAs
- Posters, demos, field days, radios, Ag
- Distribution of small packs

Certified Seed Production

- No enough private inspectors & logistics are absent
- OECD & ISTA accreditation not complement
- AGRA will support fast tracking this accreditation & that of private seed inspectors and labs.
- Support access to seed processing facilities
- Supporting and build capacity of seed companies
- Link seed companies to NARS & CG centers to access appropriate varieties through contractual







These consortia are now a platform for innovation, technology adoption and enhanced agribusiness





1. Output Markets

Grain traders and processors are effectively communicating their quality and quality specifications to producers. Farmers have access to assured markets and they are using available markets to make decisions and which crops to grow (*decision agriculture*)

2. Input market

The demand for inputs is now derived from the demand for output. Consortia are enhancing the predictability in the input markets. Quality and volume issues are addressed

3. Access to Finance

In addition to value chain finance, banks such as NMB (Tanzania) are providing input finance to farmers who have forward contracts with off-takers.

They Are Driving Other Enhancements



Reducing the cost of doing business for processors improving their supply chains



Accelerating the rural agro-dealership businesses and service industries



Governments are considering adopting the consortium model for job creation in agriculture and technology adoption at scale





Ethiopia partner mapping (not exhaustive)



	Seed supply & research	Fertilizer supply & research	Other ag. inputs	Infrastructure	Farmer Access (agro dealerships)	Farmer awareness (extension)	Farmer organization		
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Poor State Capacity Challenges the Ability of the Ag Sector to Grow Despite Huge Investments; Absorptive Capacity Often 10-40% of Budgets

Area

Country Vision, Strategy, **Prioritized Plans and** flagships

Key gaps (not exhaustive)

- Uneven and fragmented leadership, sector vision, poor alignment of ministries & strategic partners on prioritized plans
- Inadequate fact base to support policy formulation and decisions
- Inadequate capacities to identify and frame resource gaps in priority areas; limited resource mobilization from bilateral and multilateral funds and private sector engagement

Enabling/Policy Environment

- Lack of alignment in policy framework design to implementation
- Weak identification/coordination of evidence and technical assistance for identified priorities and policy needs
- Challenge environment for private sector investment
- **Implementation Capacity** & Delivery

Stronger Sector

Coordination

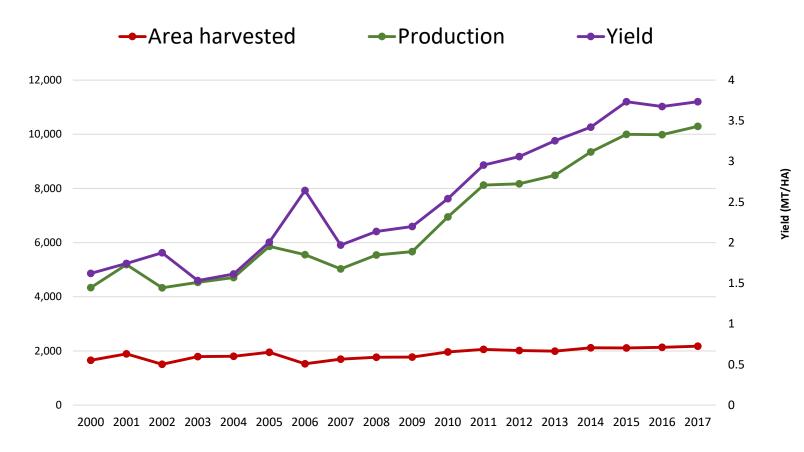
- Weak Agriculture sector governance, including fragmented or competing institutional structures
- Poor translation of strategy to implementation plan/programs
- Low government implementation capacity for delivery,
- Low budget execution capacity
- Weak coordination in Ag Sector Working Group [Ag SWG]
- Weak development partner coordination for coordinated/aligned investments in sector
- Weak implementing partners/private sector coordination
- Insufficient inter-ministerial coordination [horizontal coordination]

Accountability Mechanisms in place

- Weak performance- and results based mindset and approach
- Weak systems and tools for data collection and analytics
- Low inclusivity and stakeholder participation



Ethiopia



Country commitment (vision, leadership, execution) is at the heart of accelerated transformation



Government is the most critical partner for sustainable development and often the weaker link. But those countries that demonstrate political commitment and drive the right policies and investments are able to improve food security and drive inclusive economic growth in a very short period of time. They unlock the potential of the private sector and their smallholder farmers, driving progress throughout their economy overall.

<u>Nigeria</u>



- Significant investment in Ag since 2010
- Increased Ag output by 21m tons
- Food import bill fell from \$11 billion to \$3.2 billion
- Jobs expanded by 3.8 million

Ethiopia



- Consistent investment of 15% of budget per year for >5yrs now
- Has quadrupled Ag output
- Rate of rural poverty is reducing at 4% per year

Rwanda



- Significantly invest in Ag since 2008
- Yields of major crops has since tripled and quadrupled
- Share of population that is hungry dropped from 55% to 21%
- Poverty has reduced from 45% to 29%



Continental Policy Advances



The Africa Agriculture Transformation Scorecard (AATS) & dashboard:

- A strong tool for evidence based policy and development outcomes.
- Engage Heads of States, the AU system and High level influencers and champions
- Used at the High level Ministerial at the 2018 AGRF
 - Agriculture Ministers committed to work with AGRA to implement strategic reforms in response to key recommendations.

Data Is A Challenge, but Also Where Data Is Available The Scorecard shows that are woefully not on track



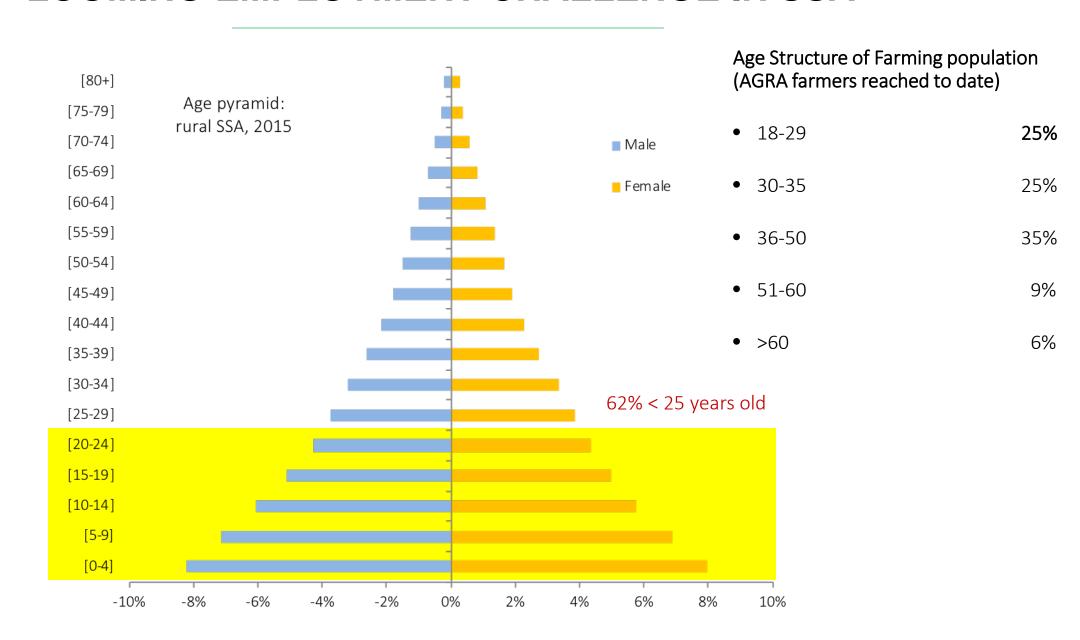
Reporting on Malabo Commitment 6

Enhancing Resilience to climate variability

In respect of the existence of government budget-lines on resilience building: Only 01 Member State is On Track



LOOMING EMPLOYMENT CHALLENGE IN SSA



A new opportunity towards achievement of SDGs



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