Land Policy, Land Governance and CAADP Agenda

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Good Land governance is central to success of CAADP

• Land fundamental for production & wealth creation globally: in Africa, where majority are in agriculture/other land-based sectors, land is fundamental

• Land governance/management affects agriculture:
  o Facilitating private investments by farmers, and responsible/innovative investment LSLBIs
  o Incentivising farmers to adopt productivity enhancing technologies
  o Enhancing involvement of banks/other private sector players
  o Adoption of practices that ensure environmental stewardship, climate change mitigation & adaptation
Land governance and CAADP linkages

Cohesive land/land use policies, and effective administration

- Equitable land distribution/Access
- Secure land tenure and land rights
- Absence of disputes/conflict
- Improved governance of land based investments
- Responsive land use planning

Evidence-based participatory policy making process

- Cohesive land/land use policies, and effective administration
- Effective implementation and monitoring of

CAADP

1. Land/Water management
2. Access to market
3. Food security
4. Science and technology
Some key land governance issues: status, progress made and actions needed
## Land-Agriculture thematic areas

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Unequal access to land; Insecure land rights/3

• **Actions Needed:**
  – Expedite/capitalise on momentum for policy reforms
  – Build synergies between F&G, VG other initiatives in implementation in Africa
  – Build capacity/engage RECs, Institutions, CSOs, farmers organisations
  – Support mainstreaming of land governance in CAADP/NAFSIPS at national levels
  – Monitor and report---CAADP results framework?
Women’s land rights/2

• Progress Made:
  – Recent land policies, marriage, family and inheritance laws protect the land rights of African women; But, this does not translate to reality on ground
    • Customary and religious norms; institutions; socio-economic empowerment; illiteracy
Women’s land rights

• **Actions Needed:**
  - Review constitution/laws as needed
  - Increase capacity of government to implement provisions providing protection of access to land/security of land rights of women
  - Affirmative action with respect to women’s ownership of land
  - Empower and raise awareness of women, men, government
  - Benchmarks, Indictors and mechanism for monitoring progress
Large Scale Land Based Investments (LSLBIs)/2

• **Actions needed:**
  – Adopt, popularise and apply Guiding Principles on LSLBI
  – Capacity Development;
  – Re-examination of past deals
  – M&E;
Land, governance and conflict/2

• Actions needed
  – Mainstream land governance in conflict prevention and resolution strategies at national and regional levels
Land, environment and climate change/2

Actions Needed:
• Research to build evidence on best practices in mainstreaming land governance in strategies to build resilience to climate change
• Capacity development
• M&E
Land and Africa’s regional integration agenda

• **Actions needed:**
  – Commitment by (some) RECs at highest level to enhance and sustain capacities needed to mainstream land governance in REC programs
  – Support implementation and monitoring of the AU agenda on land governance in synergy with CAADP and other regional cooperation agreements and protocols – in line with the new role of RECs, defined by the new strategy and proposed implementing mechanism for the AU Declaration on land
Elements of a framework to mainstream land policy and governance in CAADP
Findings of the AU-ECA-AfDB LPI Study on mainstreaming land in CAADP

Summary findings

• All stakeholders recognise that land is fundamental

• While land degradation is addressed, few systematically articulate land governance considerations in CAADP investment and policy reform planning

• Little attention to how land will be availed for agricultural investments—and how to address tenure and land governance challenges

• Land question--most CAADP land interventions de-emphasized policy and governance aspects - rather focus on technical and investment measures to correct land degradation
Areas for action in addressing land governance in CAADP

How to:

• Facilitate equity of access to land for all land users: small and large-holder farmers, pastoralists, other investors, women, youth

• Reduce complexity and cost of documenting/registering land rights and claims -- especially customary rights

• Develop land use plans and models that promote development and sustainable investment goals

• Promote agricultural production models that ensure fair, equitable, profitable investments/outcomes

• Reduce environmental damage, mitigate, adapt to climate change
What Interventions to address land governance in CAADP

• **Research and Analysis**
  – Review NAFSIPs vis a vis on-going land reforms -identify entry points for relevant interventions
  – Identify/promote promising practices that mainstream land governance in CAADP

• **Communication and Advocacy**
  – Advocate/raise awareness among relevant stakeholders on land policy and governance issues in the context of implementing CAADP/Agricultural sector programs

• **Capacity Development and Training**
  – Enhance institutional capacities at continental, regional, country levels to mainstream land governance issues
  – Technical assistance and training on addressing CAADP-Land governance issues, linkages
  – Enhance national CAADP platforms to include land governance dimensions
What Interventions to address land governance in CAADP

• Monitoring and Evaluation
  – Review/revise CAADP Monitoring Framework to include benchmarks/indicators related to land concerns in NAFSIPS/agricultural programs
  – Build synergies in reports to AU summit on CAADP and land governance commitments

• Partnerships, coordination, synergies & resource Mobilisation
  – Identify areas for key actions & modalities for cooperation/ agreement, e.g. Joint programs that build synergies between land governance and CAADP
  – Provide assistance and resources to review investment plans and integrate land governance interventions
  – Support on-going compact processes to ensure they include land governance concerns
  – Support development and application of indicators for monitoring within CAADP monitoring framework
Desired Outcomes, Goals, Actions and Targets
Desired Outcomes--LSLBI

GOAL:
• Increase investments which adhere to the AU guiding principles on land based agricultural investments, ensuring financial and economic viability and taking into account the welfare of local communities, smallholder producers, and the environment.

Actions:
• Develop and adopt regulatory policy and institutional frameworks in accordance with the AU guiding principles on land based agricultural investments
• Enhance capacities among all stakeholders involved in assessment, negotiation and monitoring of processes relating to land based agricultural investments
• Promote solidarity and cooperation between and within states for collective influence and to avoid ‘race to bottom’ scenarios
Desired Outcomes - LSLBI /2

Actions (continued)
- Promote partnerships towards collective responsibility and mutual accountability between host investor countries
- Enhance the CAADP results and monitoring framework by integrating land policy and governance indicators

Targets:
- 60% of countries hosting large scale agricultural investors adopt appropriate regulatory policy and institutional frameworks as per AU Guiding Principles by 2025
- 50% of AU regional economic communities (RECs) adopt cooperation framework on land based agricultural investments by 2025
- 60% of large scale foreign agricultural investments adhere to established cooperation agreement on mutual accountability by 2025
Desired Outcome--Women’s Land Rights

**Goal:**
- Enhance women’s secure access to and control over land to promote access to credit and investments in agriculture, in order to increase agricultural productivity and food security

**Actions:**
- Member states develop policy and legal frameworks that facilitate women’s secure access to and ownership of land
- Member states embark on decentralization of land governance institutions with minimum levels of leadership positions set aside for women
- Member states establish minimum standards for allocation of land to women

**Targets:**
- 20 countries have comprehensive land policies w/provisions for ownership and control of land by women by 2025
- 30% of leadership positions of decentralized land governance institution are held by women by 2025
- 20% increase in the land controlled by women by 2025
Youth, Land and Agriculture

**Goal:**
• Enhance access to land, credit, agricultural inputs and technology by youth to increase youth involvement and employment in agriculture

**Actions:**
• Member states develop policy frameworks that promote legal empowerment and access to land for youth
• Member states develop policies and youth programs which promote public-private partnerships to increase access to credit, productivity enhancing inputs and enhance mechanization in agriculture

**Target:**
• 20% increase in the youth who hold have control over agricultural land
• 40% increase in the number of youth employed in agricultural related/linked sub-sectors and receiving at least minimum wage
CAADP Results Framework; LEVEL 2 – OUTCOME–*Sustained inclusive agriculture growth*

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