



Enabling the Business of Agriculture (EBA)

March 25, 2015 Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

TODAY'S AGENDA

- I. Welcome & Agenda Review (N. DeVore—5 mins)
- II. The Need for Agribusiness Indicators (A. Rukonge—10)
- III. Presentation on the 2015 EBA Report (Tea Trumbic—25 mins)
- IV. Discussion on key questions (A. Rukonge—60 mins)
- V. Summary of meeting & next steps for engagement (20 mins)

Lunch will be available at 12h00.



Genesis and Objective of the EBA project



EBA: GENESIS AND OBJECTIVE

June 2012: G8's call for the World Bank "to develop options for generating a *Doing Business in Agriculture Index"* October 2012: World Bank committed to merging the efforts of its Agricultural experts with its Global Indicators experts to develop a benchmarking product

EBA officially started in January 2013 (6 topics/10 countries)

EBA progress report was published in November 2014













OBJECTIVE

Provide policy makers with an evidence-based tool that can be used to foster an enabling environment for local and regional agribusinesses by identifying and monitoring relevant regulations and policies

EBA as a policy tool:

- Provides an overview of relevant agricultural indicators and global trends
- Helps policymakers set meaningful targets and track progress over time
- Allows countries to compare with others, potentially leading to better practices



WHY GLOBAL FOCUS ON AGRICULTURE?

Over ¾ of world's poor people live in rural areas and depend on farming for food, income and jobs

Agriculture can contribute to ending poverty and boosting shared prosperity

Globally, population will exceed **9 billion** and food demand will increase by **63%** by 2050

Population in cities in developing countries will more than double and food demand will grow by 145%

Food demand growth in:

- Africa more than 300%
- India more than 200%

The strength of the institutions and the quality of regulations can make a difference in addressing these challenges



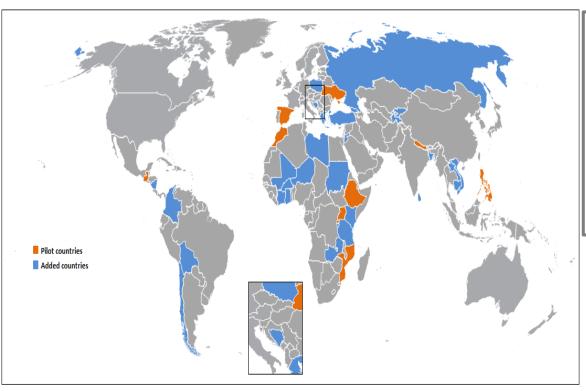
Country and Thematic coverage



EBA COUNTRY COVERAGE



Geographical coverage



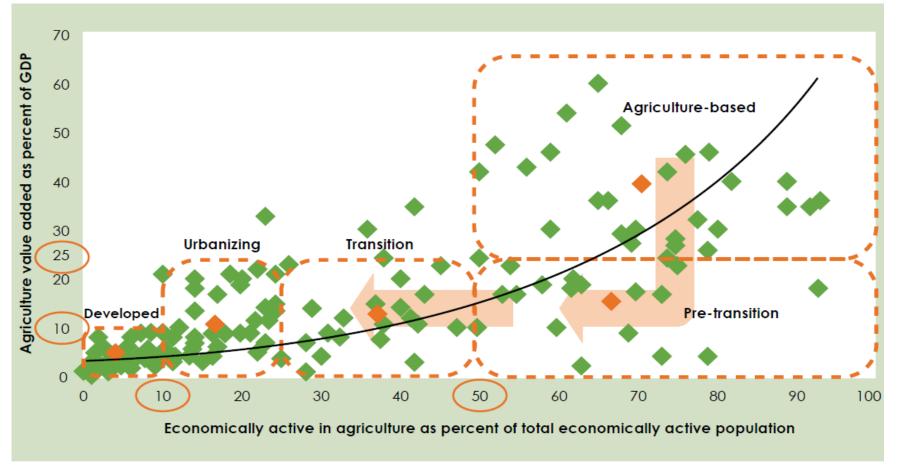
EBA16:

- East Asia & The Pacific (5)
- Eastern Europe & Central Asia (7)
- OECD (5)
- Latin America & the Caribbean (4)
- Middle East & North Africa (2)
- South Asia (3)
- Sub-Saharan Africa (14)



EBA COUNTRY COVERAGE (2)

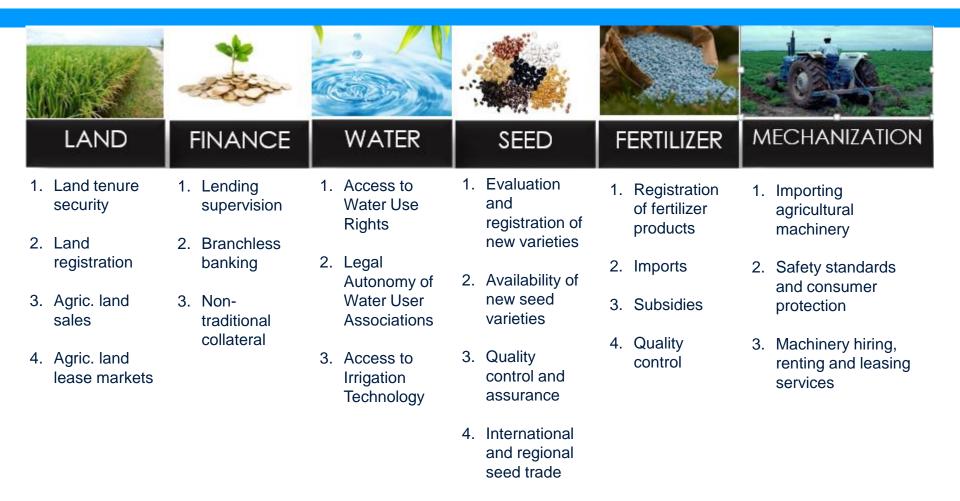
Structural coverage: different levels of agricultural transformation



Sources: Economically active population in agriculture data from FAOSTAT for 2012; agriculture value-added data from UN national accounts for 2012.

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EBA INDICATOR AREAS



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ICT

TRANSPORT

MARKETS

LIVESTOCK

ENV. SUSTAIN.

- Licensing of mobile cellular and broadband services
- Government strategies to improve access to ICT in rural areas
- E-extension services and mobile applications

- Licensing for trucking
- Pricing and freight allocation
- Weighing and axle-load limits
- 4. Cross-border competition
- Road access, density and quality

- Phytosanitary Protection and International trade
- Domestic Trade
- 3. Farmers' organizations
- 4. Contract farming

- 1. Genetic resources management
- 2. Animal disease prevention and control
- 3. Feed resources
- 4. Food safety and consumer protection

- Access and sustainable use of plant genetic resources
- Production and commercialization of land races
- 3. Water resources management



EBA INDICATORS – COMMON STRUCTURE

Institutional framework

- Competencies and responsibilities
- International standards

Market entry

- Administrative barriers (procedures, time and cost)
- De jure barriers (e.g. licensing requirements)

Operations

- Consumer protection and quality control (e.g. Seeds or Fertilizers)
- Health & Safety standards (e.g. SPS)
- Administrative barriers (procedures, time and cost)
- De jure barriers (e.g. maximum loan volumes for MFIs)



INDICATOR TYPE 1: TRANSACTION COST OF COMPLYING WITH REGULATIONS

Official cost and associated time for the process of fertilizer registration, potentially including:

- >Application for registration
- ➤ Content verification report
- >Field testing
- >Environmental report
- >Approval by national committee
- ➤ Gazette notification

Registration in Spain takes 60 calendar days and is free. In Nepal registration takes the longest (more than 3 years) and in Ukraine it is the most expensive (almost \$15,000)

	Registration of new fertilizer product	
Country	Time (calendar days)	Cost (US\$)
Ethiopia	120	-
Guatemala	154	323
Morocco	Registration not needed	
Mozambique	Just passed law	
Nepal	1125	7,210
Philippines	105	202
Rwanda	-	15
Spain	60	Free
Uganda	853	983
Ukraine	595	14,753



INDICATOR TYPE 2: LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

➤ Is registration of fertilizer required to legally sell in a country?
➤ Is the private sector allowed to register fertilizer?
➤ Is registration limited to a specific time period?
➤ Does the law require labeling of fertilizer containers? What items must the label include?
➤ Does the law prohibit the sale of opened fertilizer bags/containers? Is there a penalty?

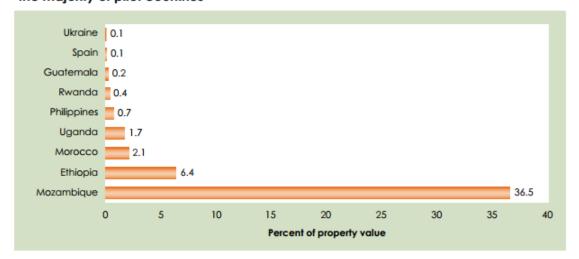


PRELIMINARY FINDINGS (PILOT REPORT)

Cost for evaluation and variety release is highest in Ukraine and Uganda in percentage of income per capita



Total cost of first-time registrations is less than 2% of the property value in the majority of pilot countries



- Costs for registering new seed varieties and costs for first-time land registration vary greatly across 10 pilot countries
- Ukraine has the highest costs for registering new varieties, but the lowest cost for first-time land registration in comparison to the other pilot countries



EBA methodology: particularities and challenges



EBA data collection

Data is collected primarily through **questionnaires** sent to contributors in the public and private sectors:

Public Sector

- Ministries of Agriculture, Transport, Environment, Trade and Commerce, Information and Technology
- Central Bank, Financial Supervisory Authorities
- Customs, State Inspectors, Land Registries, Cadasters, Agricultural Research Institutes and others

Private Sector

- Agricultural Input Companies (Fertilizer, Machinery, Seed, Irrigation)
- Trucking companies
- Freight forwarders
- Cooperatives and Farmers' associations
- Agricultural Holdings
- Mobile Network Operators
- Lawyers
- Commercial Bankers and Microfinance Institutions





EBA METHODOLOGY: PARTICULARITIES AND CHALLENGES

<u>Different case studies across topics</u>: each topic defines a case study that focuses on key actors for the sector:

- fertilizer importer
- trucking company transporting agricultural goods
- agricultural trader
- community seeking to register its land

<u>Defining the relevant product</u>: comparability (use of maize for registration of a new variety or urea for fertilizer imports in all countries) vs. relevance (use of different product groups –cereal, fruits, vegetables, cash crops- for agricultural exports)

<u>Methodology challenges</u>: balance between streamlining procedures and promoting minimum essential standards related to health, safety and environment: definition of best practices



Going beyond regulations



GOING BEYOND REGULATIONS - DEEP DIVES (PILOT)

Original Deep Dive areas

- Public policy and expenditure (ex. use of subsidies, taxes and tariffs; public expenditure on rural road maintenance)
- Prices of products and services (ex. land price per hectare; trucking price per ton of agricultural freight; CIF price of fertilizer at the port of import)
- Accessibility of products and services (ex. density of agro-input dealers; percentage of rural people living within 2 km of an all-season road)
- Quality control (ex. percentage of fake/counterfeit seed estimated in the market; quantity and quality of fertilizer testing facilities)
- Market structure (ex. number of mobile telephone companies; private sector participation/competition in the transport sector)

Challenges faced

- Secondary data not available or not reliable.
- Data incomparability (varying collection methodology)
- **Insufficient contributor base** (i.e. for prices)
- Reluctance to provide information
- Moving ahead, the team is working on comparable indicators that address the enforcement of regulation and capacity building.



QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK

- What are the key constraints that EBA should measure (and not included now)?
- What are the particular challenges in Tanzania for context?
- Any upcoming changes to policy and regulations?
- Any ideas on how best to share and represent data?

THANK YOU AND ...



