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Workshop - Measuring Seed Sector Performance

Abidjan, 25 October 2016
Timeline

2012
- EBA Kick-off

2013-14
- Pilot - Data collected in 10 countries

2014-15
- Data collected in 40 countries

2016
- Data collected in 62 countries

2017
- Report dissemination and policy analysis

Timeline Diagram with images and text.
Objective: A tool for improved policymaking

EBA can inform policymaking and trigger reforms based on cross-country benchmarking.
Thematic coverage (1/2)

Topics under development:
- Markets
- Finance
- Transport
- ICT
- Livestock
- Machinery
- Fertilizer
- Seed
- Gender
- Env Sust
- Water
- Land

EBA benchmarks markets associated to activities along the agribusiness value chain.
Thematic coverage (2/2)

Encouragement of plant breeding
- Plant variety protection
- Access to early generation seed
- Access to germplasm conserved by public genebanks
- Licensing of varieties protected by PBR
- Ease of import of seed for research and development

Seed Registration
- Existence of a Variety Release Committee (VRC)
- Frequency of VRC meetings
- Inclusion of non-governmental representatives in VRC
- Existence of a Catalogue
- Content and frequency of updates of the catalogue

Seed quality control and assurance
- Type of certification activities delegated to third parties
- Obligation to ensure traceability of reproductive materials
- Legal requirement to perform post-control testing
- Legal requirements in case of non-compliance with the varietal purity standards
- Labelling requirements
- Existence of punitive measure for mislabeling of seed bags

- Acceptance of DUS tests results performed by foreign authorities
- NEW IN EBA17
Types of indicators

**De Jure**

**LEGAL INDICATORS**
All public regulations, other legal texts of general application, judicial decisions and administrative rulings

**De Facto**

**PRACTICE, TIME & COST**
Processes as experienced by the private sector in complying with legal and regulatory requirements
**Time and Cost**

### CASE STUDY

**Variety**
Maize variety developed by a private company and registered for the first time in the entire country.

**Costs**
Include official fees and taxes and excludes bribes.

**Time**
Recorded in calendar days and captures the median duration necessary to complete a procedure.

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### Example: Kenya

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<th>Time</th>
<th>Cost</th>
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<td>275 days (simultaneous)</td>
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<td>Field testing: National Performance Trials (NPT)</td>
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EBA16 scores
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Country tables available in 40 countries, including in 14 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Full set of data available at eba.worldbank.org
Governance (1/2)

- Consultative process – Indicators design
- Data validation – Post data collection
- Concept note review – Peer review prior to publication and dissemination
Governance (2/2)

Consultative process
- Identify regulatory good practices
- Topic level
- Private sector, technical experts, CSOs, Donors

Data validation
- Improve robustness of the data
- EBA level
- Phase 1: country office experts
- Phase 2: governments (several rounds)

Peer Review
- Collect feedback from technical experts with country experience/ sharpen program development objectives
- EBA level
- Phase 1: Concept note describing activity, risks and dissemination strategy + Comments from peer reviewers
- Phase 2: Final draft of the report shared with World Bank Group for feedback
Next step

- Production and distribution of EBA17: Jan-Feb 2017
- Availability of EBA17 in Spanish, French and Russian
- Development of eba.worldbank.org
- Dissemination with target government: integration in policy dialogue
- Engagement with civil society organizations, private companies and research community
- Indicators refinement
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Questions?