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## Establishment of Country SAKSS Platforms in West Africa

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Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System

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# Outline

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# Overall objective of Country SAKSS

- Inform and guide the Implementation process
- Facilitate access to Analytical Tools in a sustainable manner
- Mobilize and coordinate Knowledge generating and dissemination Network
- Establish a Review, Dialogue and Advocacy Platform
- Cf. Brochure N. 5/NAIP



# ECOWAS Ministerial Meeting Recommendation

“... its crucial importance for ensuring the monitoring of the countries’ and all the partners’ commitments. They called on the ECOWAS Commission to ensure that the indicators retained by the CAADP at continental level are integrated in the arsenal of regional indicators in such a way as to facilitate the reporting and monitoring of adherence to the commitments in the framework of the peer review mechanism. The Ministers also called upon the Commission to make the SAKSS functional in each country.”

**Cf. Meeting of the Ministerial Committee on  
Agriculture, Environment and Water Resources  
Accra, Ghana, 3 February 2011**



# Key Functions of SAKSS

- Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Systems for NAIP
- Annual Trends and Outlook Report (ATOR)
- Investment Planning based on Strategic Analysis Results
- Strategic Analysis to address Regional Priorities and emerging Issues: Food and Financial Crisis, Climate variations, Input systems, Trade, etc.
- Knowledge Management
- Review and Dialogue
- Capacity Strengthening



## LINKING DATA - ANALYSIS - POLICY

**K-Demand**

**K-Supply**



**POLICY  
DIALOGUE  
PLATFORM**

Policy consultation  
Performance review  
Inclusive dialogue  
Mutual learning

**KNOWLEDGE  
MANAGEMENT  
FUNCTION**

Needs identification  
Research coordination  
Data management  
Knowledge management  
Communications  
Outreach  
Training

**STRATEGIC  
ANALYSIS  
NETWORK**

Universities  
Statistics offices  
Planning units  
Ag. Research centers  
Other Think tanks  
External partners





# Structure of Country SAKSS

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# Pre requisite for Country SAKSS Establishment

- Identification of existing Data and Information Networks
- Identification of Capacity strengthening needs
- Strategic Options for Country SAKSS Establishment:
  - Architecture
  - Host Institution OST
  - Capacity strengthening Strategy
  - Secured Funding
  - Etc.





# Approach (1)

- Capacity Needs Assessment (CNA)
  - Country specific Needs
  - Individual and Organizational capacities required
  - How are these Capacities used?
  - Institutional Constraints and Constraints related to Capacities
  - How to identify and fill the Gaps
  
- ➔ Country specific Capacity strengthening Strategy to meet the Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Management Objectives of the Country in the context of CAADP



# Approach (2)

- Concept Note:
  - SAKSS TOR,
  - Staffing,
  - Coordination Mechanism,
  - Etc.
- MOU for Implementation



# Approach (3)

- Drafting of Work Plan
- Coordination Team installed by the Host Institution
- Operationalization of the Network of Researchers and Analysts
- Establishment of the Policy Dialogue Group and



# Country SAKSS Status

	CNA	CONCEPT NOTE	WORK PLAN	Agreement	STAFF	Steering Committee
BENIN	X	X	X		x	
BURKINA FASO	X	X	X			
GHANA	X	X	X	X	X	x
MALI	x					
NIGER	X					
SENEGAL	X	X	X		x	
TOGO	X	X	X	X	X	



# Achievements

## • TOGO

- Data collection completed for 2013 ATOR under progress

## • GHANA

- Staffing and equipping of the SAKSS secretariat (computer etc.)
- Approval of operational plan of the SAKSS by the NAIP (METASIP) steering committee
- Two capacity building workshops organized by the SAKSS
- Key policy research issues identified by the SAKSS for commissioning of studies
- 2012 Annual Trends and Outlook Report produced



# Challenges

- CNA
- Strong Steering Committee
- Availability of Staff
- Competing Duties of ministry officials
- Inclusiveness of network
- Strong interest and commitment
- Risk of capture by Host Institution



# Lessons learnt

- Country's Willingness to establish SAKSS node
- Funding issues
- REC Support??
- Competing duties of ministry officials: need to match role in SAKSS with officials' job description for better operation

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**Merci de votre aimable attention**