IntensAfrica: an Africa-EU collaboration

PROIntensAfrica – Towards a long-term Africa-EU partnership to raise sustainable food and nutrition security in Africa
- Workshop in Wageningen
- Workshop in Montpellier
- Concept Note
- Consultation at policy level
- Side event Science week Accra
- Side event High-level Dialogue
- SA3 consultation in Accra
- Discussion in Nigeria
- Workshop in Paris
- Discussion with EC

- Develop a plan for the implementation phase, addressing the WHY, WHAT and HOW
- Raise and demonstrate commitment for the plan

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Coordination WP1

Expected Impact WP7

Creating synergy WP3

Working modalities WP4

Governance WP5

Research Agenda WP2

Communication WP6

WHY

HOW

WHAT
- Seven work packages
- Joint leadership

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The “WHAT” : Sustainable Intensification

- Many studies advocate sustainable intensification
- Higher output of agriculture in terms of production, income and nutrition, per inputs
- **IntensAfrica**
  - A variety of pathways
  - Interdisciplinarity
  - System approaches
  - Production and value chains (Agrofood)
  - Science with impact
The Big

- Open for all countries to participate
- Open for all research organizations to contribute
- Multi stakeholder involvement
- Driven by funders and policy dialogue

=> HLPD
EU-AFRICA
High Level Policy Dialogue (HLDP)
on
Science Technology and Innovation
Developing more strategic cooperation

The High Level Policy Dialogue (HLPD):

- in context of EU-Africa Joint Strategy (JAES) est. in 2007
- HLPD created within the STI cooperation component of JAES
- this platform endorsed in 2010 by 3rd EU-Africa Summit
- and launched in October 2011
- major objective: "to build better common understanding, mutual trust and ownership of joint programmes between the two continents and above all to strengthen the overall cooperation"
The High Level Policy Dialogue (HLPD):

- Operates on the basis of a Bureau
  - European Commission (EC) & African Union Commission (AUC)
- Representatives of Member States from AU and EU:
  - Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Congo Brazzaville, Namibia, Nigeria & South Africa
  - France, Germany, Portugal, UK, Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherlands
- regular meetings (including videoconferences)
- and Plenary meetings (with all Member States invited)
  - November 2011 (Addis Ababa)
  - November 2013 (Brussels)
The High Level Policy Dialogue (HLPD):

- **Current African co-chair:** Congo (as president of AMCOST)
- **Current European co-chair:** EC, DG RTD
- Discussions involve AUC, EC and member states
- Good progress in 2012-2013, leading to 2\textsuperscript{nd} High Level Policy Dialogue meeting (Brussels, 29-30 November 2013)
- Identified common priorities and selected one for action
  - “Food and nutrition security and sustainable agriculture (including water)” (*SANAD en français*)
  - Priority endorsed at Africa–EU Summit in April 2014
  - **Expert Working Group (EWG)** formed (5 African & 5 European) to develop a roadmap towards jointly financed Partnership
Developing more strategic cooperation (4)

The High Level Policy Dialogue (HLPD):

- **Expert Working Group (EWG) proposes a focus on:**
  - **Sustainable intensification** (=> IntensAfrica)
  - **Agriculture and food systems for nutrition**
  - **Expansion and improvement of agricultural markets and trade**
  - **Cross-cutting issues:** framework for improved coordination, innovation, capacity-building (HR, organisational, institutional, financial, RI), evolving/flexible programme

- **Report presented in April 2015 to the HLPD Bureau.** Under further development at the policy level for endorsement at the next EU Africa summit, 11-12 April 2016, Addis Ababa.
Merci de votre attention

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