

What is CARD Coalition for African Rice Development? Why CARD-CAADP Alignment?

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1. What is CARD ?



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1. What is CARD? – General

CARD(Coalition for African Rice Development);

- was established in 2008 at TICAD IV by AGRA, NEPAD, and JICA
- aims at doubling rice production in Sub-Sahara Africa by 2018
→ Overall Goal
- is a consultative group of bilateral and multilateral donors and African and international organizations/institutions
 - Steering Committee members;** AfDB, Africa Rice Center, AGRA, FAO, FARA, IFAD, IRRI, JICA, JIRCAS, NEPAD, WB
- fully respects African ownership and leadership
 - Participation of African Institutions, AfricaRice, AfDB, FARA, NEPAD
 - Alignment to CAADP (Regional events, Tsukuba training)
- works in 23 CARD member countries
- provides various supports, but not financial one



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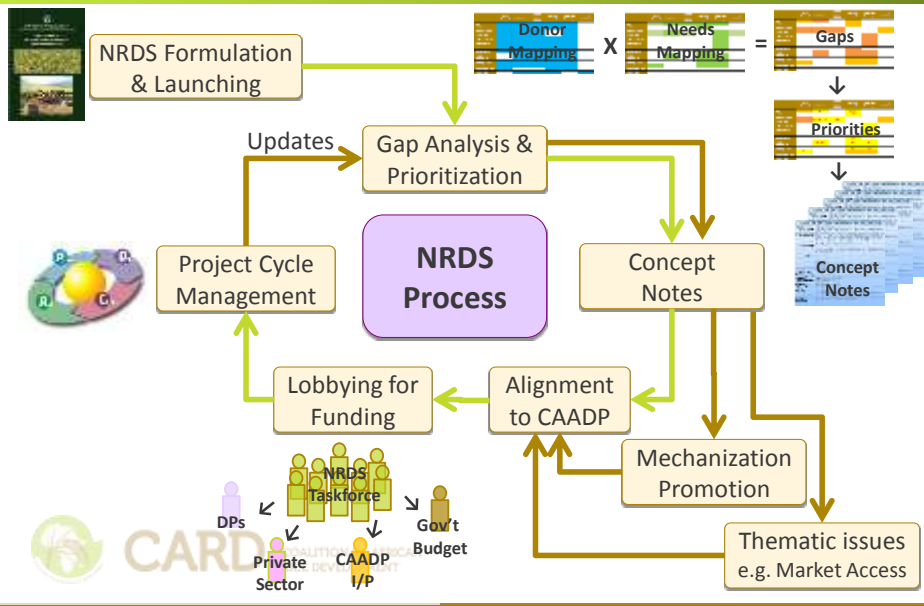
1. What is CARD? - CARD Supports/Activities

<CARD Supports >

- 1) Development and Implementation of Rice Sector Strategy (NRDS)
- 2) Capacity Development of actors in Rice Sector
- 3) Increased Investment through creation of enabling environment
- 4) Coordination and Alignment



1. What is CARD? - CARD Supports/Activities NRDS Development and Implementation



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Development and Implementation of Rice Sector Strategy
(NRDS: National Rice Development Strategy)

→ Most Important Activity of CARD

< Values of NRDS development and Implementation >

- All these process is carried out by the government of CARD member states. CARD provides only facilitation. (Strengthened Capacity in planning and implementation, country-owned Strategy)
- Tailor-made strategy specific to the respective country (Optimal, needs-based)
- Commodity-based focus (enable comprehensive interventions across the whole value chain)
- Commonly-shared strategy for rice sector development (better coordination of stakeholders)

2. Why CAADP-CARD Alignment ?



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2. Why CAADP – CARD Alignment ?

Why the integration/ alignment of NRDS into overarching development framework is important?

Of course rice, a component in agriculture, should fit well in the Agriculture Sector and national economy overall.

NRDS implementation helps implementation of CAADP/ equivalent strategies through alignment/integration, because;

- **Commodity focus enables tangible impacts in short period of time; which is usually difficult in comprehensive Strategies such as CAADP Investment Plan**
- **Issues along the whole value chain should be properly addressed for successful agriculture**



2. Why CAADP – CARD Alignment ?

Why the integration/ alignment of NRDS into overarching development framework is important?

- **Commodity focus is useful to realize comprehensive supports for the whole value chain, strengthening linkages between market, service providers and producers**
- **Experience of NRDS development and implementation including fund matching, and strengthened capacity is helpful in implementation of overarching sector strategy**
- **Coordination can be done better among public sector, donor interventions and value chain actors, with commodity focus**



Thank you



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