Coalition for African Rice Development Pilot Initiative for Improved Rice Seed Development

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1. Pilot Initiative for Improved Rice Seed Development

Background

- Stable and timely supply of quality seed is a key for increasing rice production and productivities.
- In developing NRDS, most of CARD member counties identify seed sector as one of top priorities to be tackled.

Process

- Approval of Concept Note at SC meeting in June, 2013
- Section of Targeted Countries (Expression of Interest from CARD member countries, Screening, Approval by SC members)
- Launched in 10 countries, October, 2013







1. Pilot Initiative for Improved Rice Seed Development

Overall Goal:

To increase the supply of quality rice seeds in selected 10 CARD Countries

Objective:

To identify strategy for improving rice seed supply

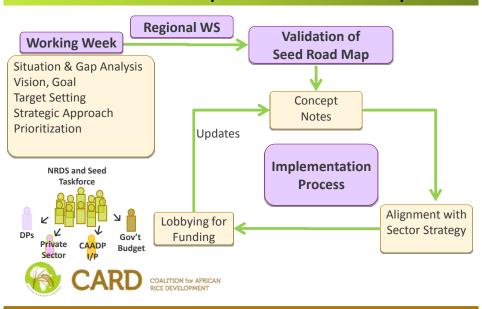
Expected Outputs:

- Development of tailor made Improved Rice Seed Sector Strategy / Rice Seed Road Map at each country,
- Development of country specific investment plans/project concept notes for interventions
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1. Pilot Initiative for Improved Rice Seed Development

| Activities | Schedule |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Formation of Working Team | October, 2013 |
| Kick off Video Conference | November, 2013 |
| Working Week and Drafting "Rice Seed Road Map" | November-January, 2014 |
| Regional Workshop for peer review | February, 2014 |
| Validation of Launching of "Rice Seed Road Map" | April-June, 2014 |
| Draft Concept Notes and Circulation for Improvement | April-June, 2014 |
| Finalization of CN and Start Fund Matching | May, 2014~ |

1. Pilot Initiative for Improved Rice Seed Development



2. Objective of Workshop

To share the summary of draft "Rice Seed Road Map" for further improvement through;

- Peer review by other country delegations (Learning from other countries experiences and Critical mutual-reviewing);
- Taking contributions from Steering Committee members from both technical, economic and investment point of view.



3. Some Remarks for this Workshop

Some guidelines for smooth facilitation in the given time constraint ...

- Basically, no discussion (Clarifications are fine) – Except for critical technical issues
- Participants are expected to provide as may comments/ contributions as possible, which country delegates will take note of and take back home for further discussion among the Technical Team.



Thank you



