AATF's interest in SC membership of CARD



SC membership: AATF's expression of interest (1/2)

- In August 2019, AATF shows their interest in CARD SC membership and discussed with CARD Secretariat.
- AATF (African Agricultural Technology Foundation) sent an "Expression of Interest" to the Secretariat which clearly mentions
 - 1) AATF's value to the CARD,
 - 2) assigning a senior officer as a focal point to CARD,
 - 3) commitment of its participation to the meetings, and
 - 4) effort for streamlining the CARD in their operation.



SC membership: AATF's expression of interest (2/2)

Screening criteria for SC membership & AATF's responses

1. Value that the Organizations/Institutions can add to CARD

"AATF is working on Rice in the five impact areas by access, development and commercialization of rice technologies that could greatly contribute to the goal of doubling rice production in sub-Saharan Africa within 10 years as set by CARD."

- 2. Assigning a senior officer as a focal point to CARD
- 3. Commitment to participation in the CARD meetings by the focal point to CARD or his/her representative with equivalent seniority

"Dr. Kayode A. Sanni, the Leader of AATF rice program and AHyRA, was nominated as AATF's representative on CARD and its Steering committee and has already been following some developments around CARD's activities"

4. Commitment to mainstreaming CARD into their organizations/institutions

"AATF roles and initiatives in the Rice Value Chain in Africa are well in alignment with the goal of CARD. ... If accepted, AATF will integrate CARD's objectives into our organization's rice program, which can be intensely leveraged by CARD to achieve its mission."

