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Transforming African Livestock: The livestock sector in the policy agenda in Africa

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Outline



Context: Agricultural Policy Agenda

Livestock Sector in the policy Agenda

Role of the AoA



Context



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Malabo, Equatorial Guinea



2014 Year of Agriculture

"Transforming Africa's Agriculture : harnessing opportunities for inclusive growth and sustainable development"

10th Anniversary of CAADP (Maputo 2003)



Context



Malabo Declaration on Accelerated Agricultural Growth and Transformation for Shared Prosperity and Improved Livelihoods

Main Commitments:

- Sustaining the CAADP momentum: Principles and Values of the Process and its result framework
- Ending Hunger in Africa by 2025
- Enhancing Investment Finance in Agriculture
- Halving Poverty by the year 2025, through Inclusive Agricultural Growth and Transformation
- Boosting Intra-African Trade in Agricultural commodities and services
- Enhancing Resilience of Livelihoods and Production Systems to Climate Variability and other related risks



Question



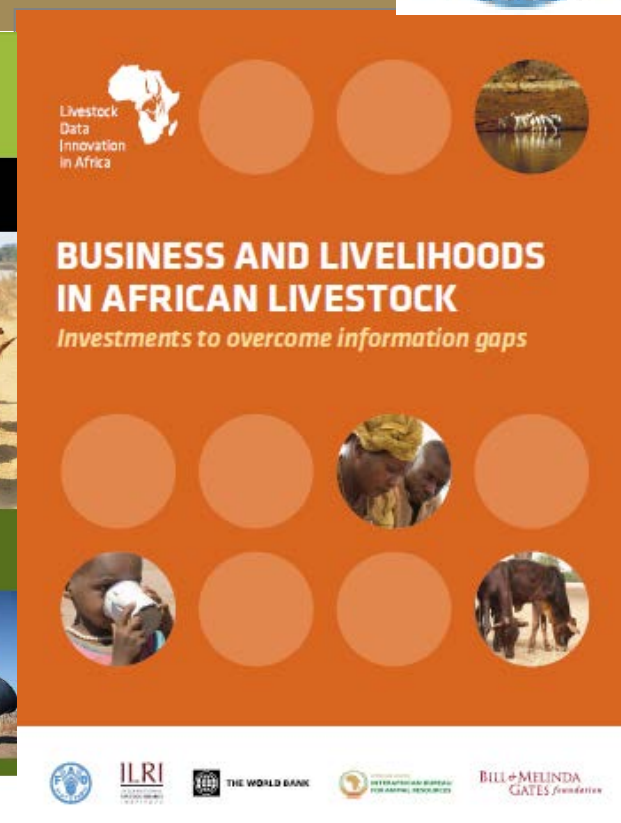
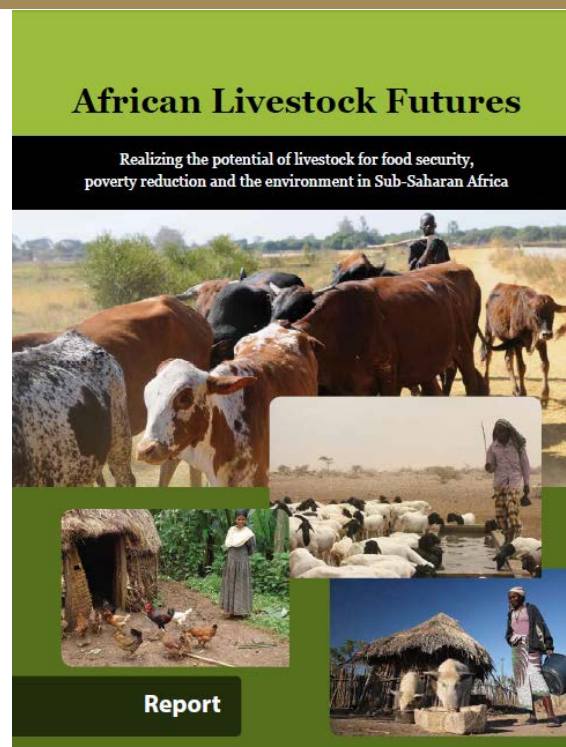
Will livestock Sector contribute significantly to the Accelerated African Agricultural Growth and Transformation for Shared Prosperity and Improved Livelihoods?



Livestock Sector in Africa



- Demand for livestock products in Africa (SSA) will increase several folds by 2050.
- Major business opportunities for livestock keepers
- Smallholders, with their mixed crop and livestock farming systems, will continue to be the main producers of ruminant (cattle, goat and sheep) products
- until 2050.
- For monogastrics most of the expansion will be through industrial production systems.





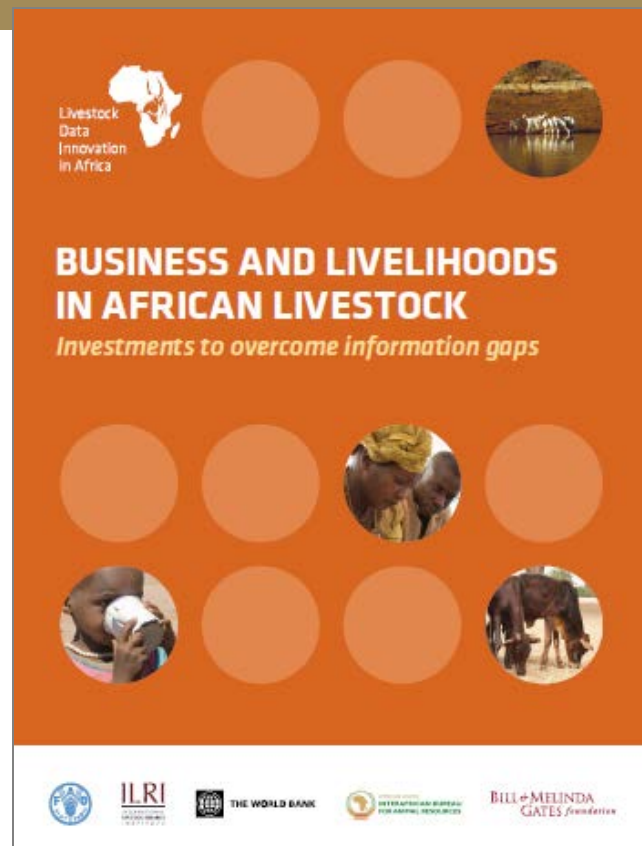
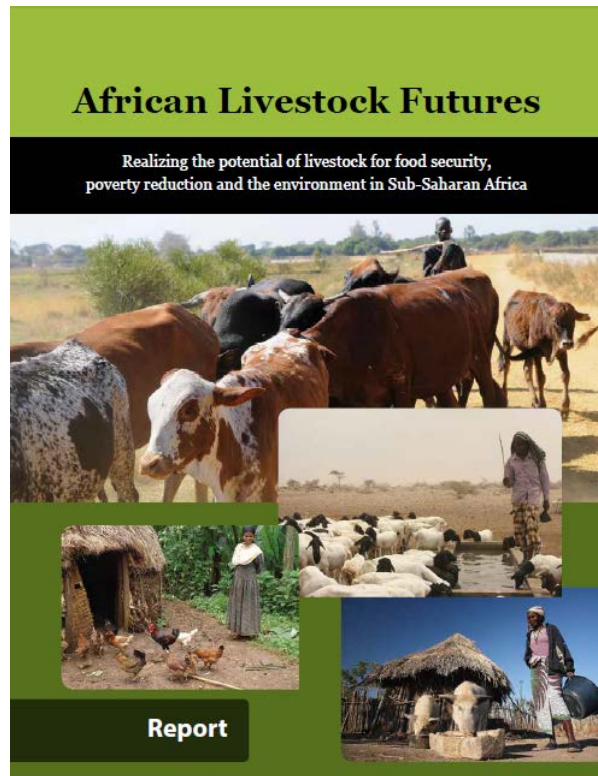
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Opportunities to reduce poverty / increase food security as well as to the resilience and productivity of producers' livelihoods,

The trend of increased demand is currently not matched by a similar growth of production

The livestock keepers in Africa will not benefit from these opportunity if we continue business as usual





Livestock Development Strategy



AU MS REQUEST the AUC to lead and coordinate the formulation of a 20 years Livestock Development Strategy for the Continent that will fast track the REFORMS on the sector and the REALIZATION of its FULL POTENTIAL

This strategy should clearly articulate the contribution of livestock to the Agricultural transformation Agenda



Livestock Development strategy



What are the issues in relation to the Malabo declaration:

Livestock production need to achieve rates of annual growth in productivity of around 6% per year compare to current 2%

This will implied investing into sustainable intensification

Implication for the LiDeSA:

- **Dual track approach:**
 - Support the market-oriented or potentially market oriented producers as increasing livestock production and productivity of emerging farmers will generate spillover benefits to employment and consumption.
 - Protect the smallholders and pastoralists



Livestock Development strategy



- Externalities of intensification including reducing environmental impacts
- Value addition and expansion of local industry
- Management and Governance of natural resources eg land use planning
- Resilience
- Financing and investments: Interest free credit, Reduced taxes on inputs, Preferential conditions of investment for certain types of systems etc
- Capacity for:
 - Inclusive policy formulation and implementation
 - Evidence planning
 - Analytical capacity and peer learning
 - Coordination and partnership
 - Research and training



Role of the AoA in the formulation and implementation of the LiDeSA:



Based on its functions, the GAoA could assist strategically with the following

- Implementation of and support to joint analyses and assessments;
- Facilitation of multi-stakeholder dialogue at international and local level;
- Promotion of, and support to innovation and local practice change
- Facilitate the generation of, and access to evidence that will support the formulation of the strategy;
- Provide a forum for exchange and peer learning with other regions of the world;
- Provide a platform for increased partnership and collaboration;
- Support advocacy for increased investment in the sector;
- Support knowledge support and skills development through improved analytical capacity.



Thank You

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