

## Making sustainable connections

Connectivity beyond partnerships



### Making sustainable connections, connectivity beyond partnerships



#### Can geo-data bring a bright future?







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Can geo-data bring a bright future? Yes, it has new unlimited possibilities.....













, .... If we can make real connections







# 1 Rabo Development



#### Rabo Development within the Rabobank Group





Rabobank Foundation

- Development of cooperatives, microfinance and sustainable agri value chains in rural communities of developing countries
- Project based through grants, guarantees, (soft) loans and consultancy



Rabo Development

- Create access to financial services in developing countries with F&A potential through rural retail banks
- Investment in, and development of partner banks through financial investment, delivery of management services and technical assistance



Rabobank Group

- Rabo International
  - F&A Banking
- Local Member Banks
  - Retail banking
- Group entities
  - Leasing, insurance, etc.

Sustainable cooperative banking with involvement in the F&A value chain

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## G4AW Crop and Livestock Insurance Project in Ethiopia







Uninsured climate risk is main driver of persistent poverty.

Insurance can minimize downside risks and improve livelihood of farmers, but despite many weather insurance pilots which have been implemented in developing countries in the last decade only very few have been commercialized on a larger scale.

#### How it that possible!!!!

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#### G4AW crop insurance pilot with Oromia Insurance Company

Aim: introduction of a weather index and a livestock index insurance as a cushion for weather risks

Strategy: using more advanced data for development of insurance products

#### Results so far:

- 45 villages involved, covering 5,623 farmers in different zones
- 1<sup>st</sup> year 271, 2<sup>nd</sup> year 356 and 3<sup>rd</sup> year 116 farmers involved. This year they expect to involve 1,000 farmers







#### G4AW crop insurance pilot with Oromia Insurance Company

Challenges which has been addressed so far:

From insurance company view-point:

administration costs are higher than the premium paid

From farmers view-point:

insurance)

premiums are high (20% of the input costs insured for weather risk insurance and 7.5%- 11% for livestock

farmers perceive no benefits if there is a year without pay-out







In my opinion this pilot is a good initiative because this product is based on a 'well-defined' index which can't be manipulated by any party, but I don't think it will be a success.

Non-reliable data was not the main cause of the failures of the other pilots!

Although we have neither a golden bullet, making sustainable connections are pivotal!





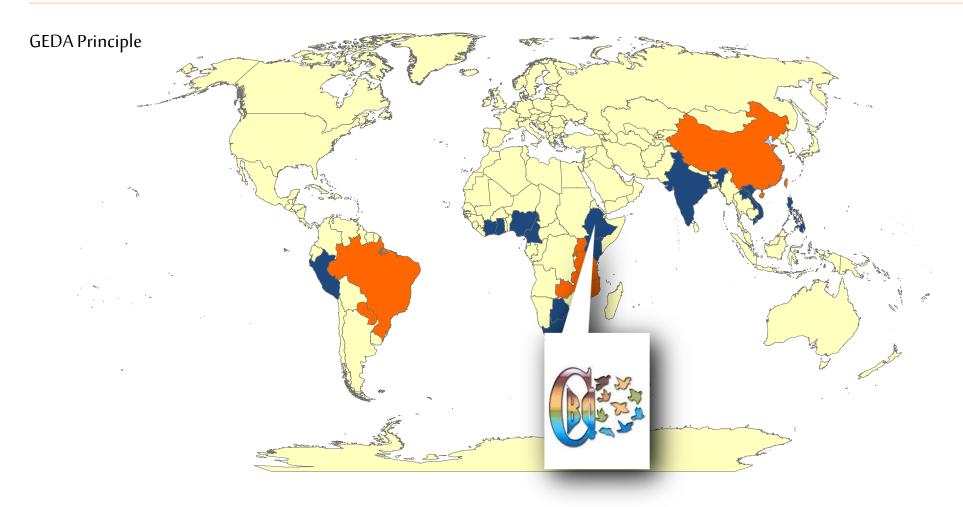
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### Making sustainable connections: Past-Present-Future





### Making sustainable connections: 'GEDA-principle'



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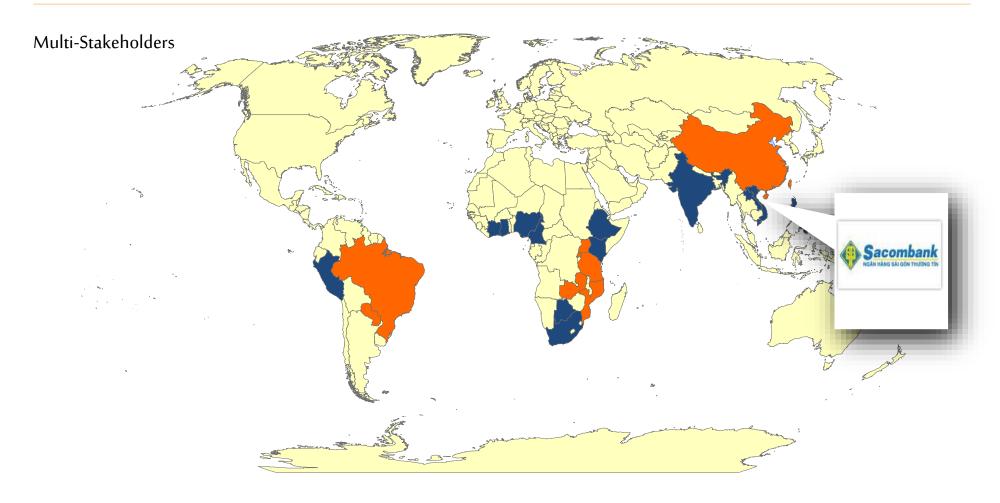




Strong but invisible connections!

## Making sustainable connections: close cooperation between Multi-Stakeholders is pivotal

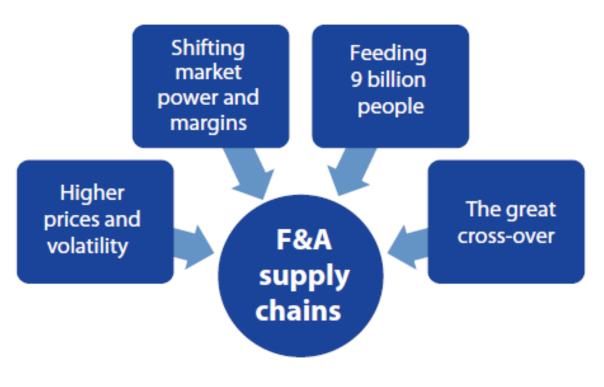




#### Why is close cooperation pivotal? F&A supply chains are under unprecedented pressure



Four drivers are responsible – the first three are well known, the fourth, the great crossover, is new

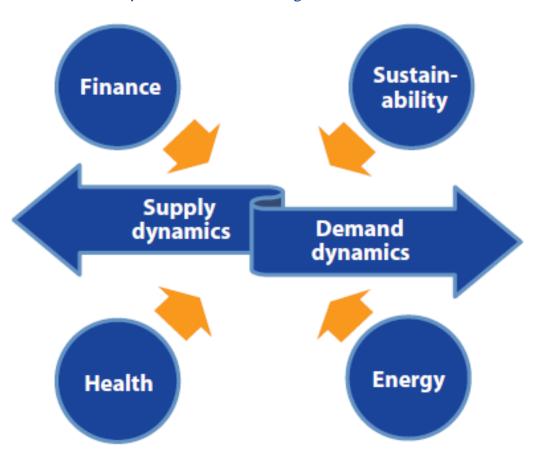




## Making sustainable connections: the great crossover creates new complexity, adding to supply chain pressure



This overall concept is new, even though the individual elements are well known

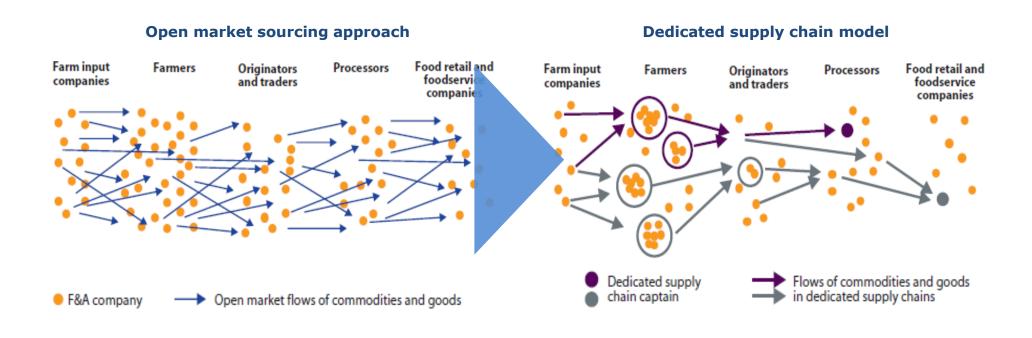


- Four outside agendas now influence the traditional dynamics of supply and demand in the F&A sector
- Their individual and combined influence has become material
- The complexity created is set to remain for at least this decade

#### Complexity in the supply chain, aligning the supply chain



The increasing complexities in supply chain making it prerequisite to align the supply chain. Focus on how supply chain relationships are managed and build platform for growth



## Rabobank's view is that closer cooperation is the key to winning through the supply chain: Multi stakeholder approach

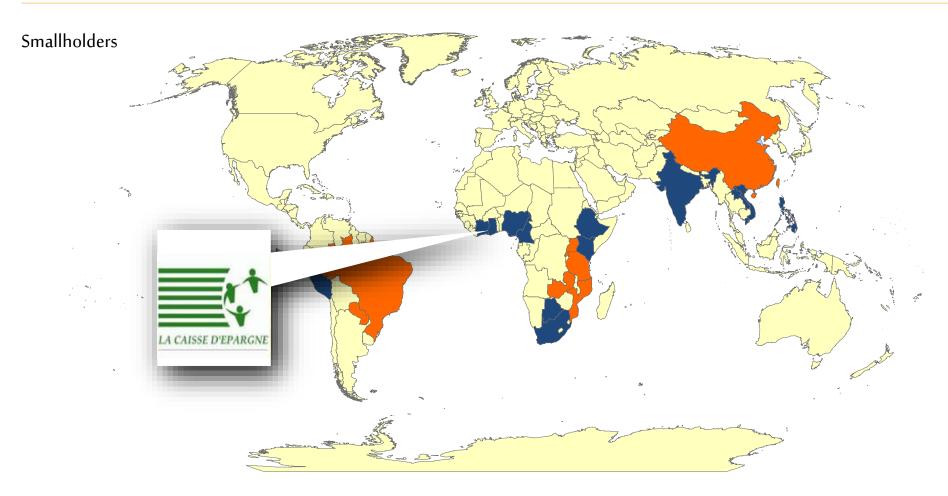




Cargill supports farmers with good agronomical practices and Sacombank provides Input Financing via an Input Financing Scheme. This leads to higher yields and better protection of the environment.

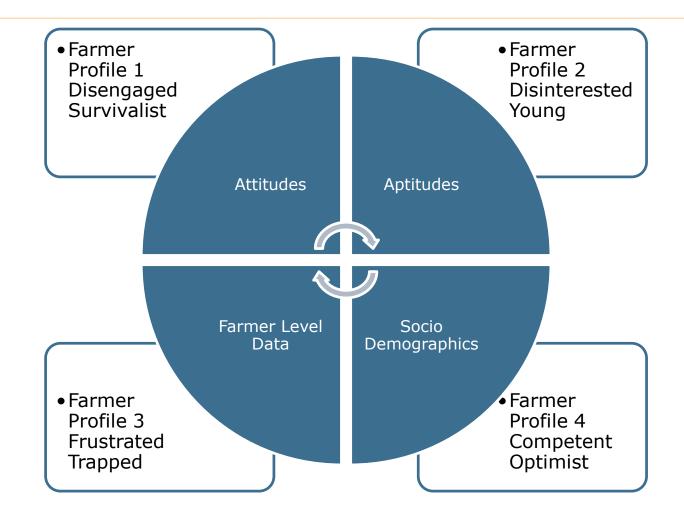
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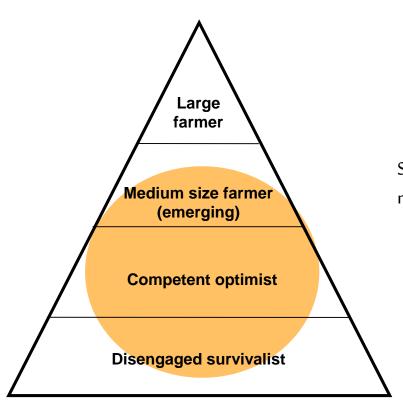
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Select large, medium sized and competent farmers who have a more entrepreneurial spirit

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#### Creating connections based on:

- Local heritage and context
- Integrated, multi-stakeholder approach
- Knowing the characteristics of your farmers and selection of farmers

Weather risk insurance is only one element of the many challenges smallholders are facing. The smallholder should be the starting point instead of the insurance policy.

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#### Advise G4AW in Ethiopia:

- Select the right entrepreneurial farmers in the pilot instead of 'smallholders'
- Involve more stakeholders to share risks and revenues
  - Involve a bank and develop a financing-insurance product
- Know their heritage and culture
- Start with a thorough 'in-depth' analysis of the whole supply chain
- Initiate initiatives which increase yields AND which cushion the risk of yield failure
  - Perhaps it could be attractive to change a crop from a food crop into a cash crop with dry resistant seeds, good agronomical support and an insurance. This makes it easier for farmers to pay the insurance fees.

#### Making sustainable connections: G4AW





Geo-data can bring a bright future if data are used to serve and facilitate projects.

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## Questions and discussion





Thank you for your kind attention