

SCALING SEEDS AND TECHNOLOGIES PARTNERSHIP (SSTP)

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Introduction

The Scaling Seeds and Technologies Partnership in Africa (SSTP) is a partnership:

- Created in July 2013-New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition ;
- ✓ Aim to achieve sustained and inclusive agricultural growth and raise 50 million people out of poverty over the next 10 years;
- ✓ Focused primarily on catalysing private sector investment across African agriculture value chains;
- ✓ Key approach: Public Private Partnership (PPP)
- Funded by USAID and implemented by AGRA through PASS in 6 African countries;





Goal

 Coordinate public and private investment in delivery of agricultural technology in Africa

Objectives

- Improve the capacity of public and private sector groups to deliver quality seeds and other agricultural technologies to smallholder farmers;
- Improve the capacity of smallholder farmers to adopt quality seeds and related technologies;
- Improve the policy and regulatory mechanisms for the delivery of quality seeds and technologies to smallholder farmers;





Supported Value chains and technologies (Moz.)

- Value chains
 - ✓ Maize;
 - ✓ Soybean;
 - ✓ Cassava;
 - ✓ Groundnut;
 - ✓ Pigeon pea;
- Technologies
 - ✓ Fertilizer blends;
 - ✓ Inoculants;
- Geographic coverage

Nacala, Limpopo and Beira Corridors and Zambezi Valley







SSTP implementation approach – Grants making

- Applications:
 - ✓ Solicited through full and open competition
 ✓ Solicited directly from targeted prospective grantees
 ✓ Unsolicited applications
- Interventions:
 - ✓ Improving foundation and certified seed supply within value chains;
 - ✓ Awareness creation;
 - ✓ Technologies supply





Challenges faced to date (After 2 RFCN)

- ✓ Low number of applications submitted;
- ✓ Lack of demand for proposals submission (funds vs project proposals);

Opportunities

- ✓ Grants to award;
- ✓ Availability of funds for relevant application;









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