



SMALLHOLDER SAFETY NET UP-SCALING PROGRAMME

STRENGTHENING SMALLHOLDER HOUSEHOLDS WORLDWIDE

Context

Agricultural productivity has for centuries driven improvements in living standards and well-being, however developing countries still face significant challenges such as rising undernourishment, low farming productivity and harsh climate change related events (World Bank 2019). With 80% of the world's poor living in rural areas and an estimated 500 million of them being smallholder households involved in small-scale and low productive farming, the challenge is significant (World Bank 2016).

The smallholder households face a whole range of challenges in accessing resources, technology, inputs, financing and market information, and are very vulnerable to external shocks, such as extreme weather events and price volatility. Since growth of the agricultural sector is a key factor in reducing poverty, it is essential to reinforce and improve the safety nets for these important stakeholders.

Global objective

In order to respond to the needs of the smallholder households, the Luxembourg and Swiss development agencies along with Lux-Development, and in collaboration with ADA, have launched the **Smallholder Safety Net Upscaling Programme (SSNUP)**.

The aim of the 10-year programme is to strengthen sustainably the safety nets of 10 million smallholder households resulting in an improved well-being of altogether 50 million low-income and highly vulnerable people through a systemic agricultural value chain development approach.

The programme focuses on **3 specific outcomes**, each one integral to the overall objective of the programme:

- 1. Smallholder households** will enhance their productivity and/or resilience by using improved agricultural risk mitigation and transfer solutions, and adopting more sustainable and climate-smart farming practices in line with agro-ecological principles
- 2. Agricultural value chains** will be strengthened by adopting more sustainable environmental and social business practices that generate increased income and jobs, as well as enhanced food security
- 3. Investments** will increase and finance the expansion of agricultural value chains that comply with the global responsible agricultural investment principles and adopt sustainable environmental, social, and good governance standards.

SSNUP AT A GLANCE



Technical Assistance facility for impact investors



10 million smallholder households



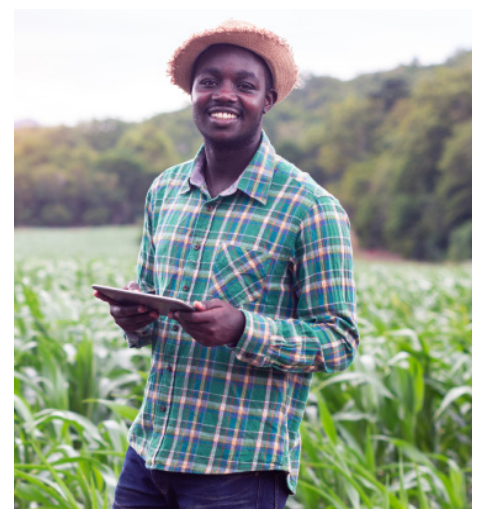
Low and middle income countries



Focus on agriculture value chains



€ 55 million budget over 10 years



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SSNUP implementation

International stakeholders working together to strengthen the safety-net of smallholder households

KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

