Increased role of Farmers Organisations in Agribusiness and PPP's

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State of the industry

Farmers in Africa
are the most
under developed,
poorest people in the world

Felix Jumbe, Malawi:

"Africa is not a poor continent, to the contrary;
It's a very rich continent

with very poor people"

IT NEEDS TO CHANGE

We meed a continental pact between farmers, governments and busimess imvestors to create a profitable and sustainable agricultural sector im Africa

CAN ONLY BE DONE IN A PPP

Farmers must produce
Business must create value chains
Governments must create
infrastructure and
an enabling environment



Environment



Government:
Rural development

Trade & investment policies

Politics

Economics

Climate

A thriving. competitive and sustainable agricultural sector as corner stone of NEPAD

Farmers:

Primary production

Of quality food, fibre and fuel at affordable prices

Business:

Financing/investments

Inputs

Markets, processing, distribution

Retail

What FO's can do

Organise farmers Set up co-ops Enhance good production practices Generate vital info

What FO's can mot do

Create infrastructure Investment and trade policies Value chain investments Remove investment & trade barriers

Profits are in the Value Chain

FO'S MUST ENSURE FARMER INVOLVEMENT FO'S MUST CREATE BENEFITS OF **SCALE** FO'S MUST TAP INTO LATEST **KNOWLEDGE AND TECHNOLOGIES** FARM GATE TO CONSUMERS' PLATE LINKAGES TO MARKETS

Positioning of FO's FO's must be legitimate representatives of the interests and aspirations of farmers; reliable, accountable and responsible

STRATEGY

Engage partners from a platform defined by EXCELENT GOVERNANCE

Don't wait for them to come
- Go hunt them down!

Driven by a dream that in 20 years from now we will have eradicated hunger and poverty in Africa through agricultural development and modernisation



"Only in a PPP will we be able to pull ourselves from the mud by our shoe laces!"