

Supporting Investment in Agribusiness in Sub-Saharan Africa

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Client: Department for International Development (DFID), UK

Country / Region: Sub-Saharan Africa

As part of its overall focus on supporting agribusinesses in Africa, CEPA advised the UK Department for International Development on ways to promote agricultural investment in Africa. This included:

- (i) understanding the sources and types of finance available for agribusinesses in Africa;
- (ii) assessing the components of the agribusiness value chain; and
- (iii) investigating the problems and bottlenecks that constrain the financing of agribusiness investment.

Further to consultations with a wide range of agribusiness companies and financial institutions, both in Sub-Saharan Africa and the UK, CEPA provided recommendations in the form of a report to DFID. The recommendations outlined ways in which donors could support the creation of private sector institutions and agribusiness-supporting infrastructure, and how this contributed to agribusiness growth and poverty reduction.

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