

Title: Gates Foundation- support to the analysis of the agricultural investment landscape

Date: September 2010 - December 2010

Client: The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Country / Region: United Kingdom

CEPA supported the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's Agricultural Development team during the 'refresh' of its strategic approach. A small team of CEPA consultants:

- provided analyses of foreign direct investment flows to agriculture sectors Sub-Saharan Africa;
- advised on the potential use of innovative financing mechanisms (including advanced market commitments, solidarity taxes etc) for achieving agricultural development outcomes;
- developed investment profiles for five case study African countries, detailing their public expenditure, domestic bank lending and foreign investments in agriculture; and
- contributed to Foundation staff's initial conclusions about on the potential for the Foundation to invest and work effectively in the case-study countries.

CEPA also provided project management support, including assistance with the planning and coordination of external consultants; and the structuring, integration and presentation of outputs into the final assignment deliverables.

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