



**African Agricultural Transformation Initiative**  
Bridging Gaps between Strategy and Impact

# The African Agricultural Transformation Initiative will support agriculture transformation in Tanzania by establishing an Agriculture Transformation Office

## There is strong momentum to support agricultural transformation in Tanzania



Agriculture is the backbone of Tanzania's economy, providing **>60% of total employment** and contributing to **~25% of total GDP**. Its growth rate, however, lags being other key industries.<sup>1</sup>



Despite Tanzania's diverse agroecological zones with high production potential, **prevalence of food insecurity grew** between 2015-2017, and has remained flat at 56% since then.<sup>2</sup>



To untap further potential, several **challenges need to be addressed**, including limited market access, processing, mechanization, access to finance and infrastructure – e.g., only 10% of farmers use mechanized equipment, and <10% of rural households have access to credit.



Agriculture has been **prioritized as a driver of economic growth** – the government tripled the budget for agriculture and set-up multiple yearlong strategies, with main objectives to increase productivity of market-oriented agriculture practices, establish food security, mobilize capital from the private sector and strengthen institutions.

## AATI is offering its support to the Tanzania government to design and implement an ambitious food and agriculture transformation agenda

### Strategy

Support the government in harmonizing all key existing strategies and link them together in one actionable "Masterplan"

### Institutional set-up

Support the implementation:

- An Agriculture Transformation Office (ATO) to support the implementation and monitoring of the "Masterplan",
- Governance mechanisms
- capacity building, monitoring and evaluation tools

### Flagship implementation

Support the implementation of key flagships through the ATO, including resource mobilization to ensure proper funding of key programs

## The AATI will support Tanzania's Agriculture Transformation agenda by providing key resources

**Overall budget** 3.03 mil USD for three years from 2023 to cover for:

- Staff wages, travel
- IT, Monitoring & Evaluation system
- Workshops and capacity building events

**Staff hired for ATO** Support the selection, recruitment and onboarding of 20 ATO staff members including:

- International consultants
- Government personnel seconded to the ATO

**Additional AATI support** ATO will further support the ATO's mission by providing:

- Capacity development plan
- Change management plan
- Resource mobilization events for flagships

1. Agriculture grew at 4% annually between 2015-2021, while other sectors such as construction or trade grew at 10% and 7% respectively. 2. 56% refers to the % of population under moderate and severe food insecurity. 2015-2020