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CÔTE D'IVOIRE – WEB-BASED FINANCIAL MONITORING OF REFINANCING LOANS TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, AGRI-SMEs AND SMALLHOLDER FARMERS



IMPROVING THE MONITORING OF REFINANCING LOANS ON THREE DIFFERENT PROJECT LEVELS

Within the technical assistance project “Fund for the Promotion of Contract Farming in Ivory Coast”, GFA has commissioned the design of a web-based monitoring tool that allows various beneficiaries (i.e. financial institutions, processing and trading value chain actors, farmers) as well as the project implementation unit to efficiently monitor individualized parameters of refinancing loan schemes along diverse agricultural value chains.

The web application sustainably facilitates the project’s strong focus on monitoring and evaluation, as well as on data-driven impact assessment of the various refinanced contract-farming schemes, and the development of the capacities and competences of collaborating financial institutions.

THEMATIC BACKGROUND

Contract farming is a production system, which is based on an agreement (i.e. contract) between the buyer of the product, normally a technical processor or operator, e.g. a mill, and the seller, typically a farmer or an agricultural producer group. Based on regulated and contractually fixed agricultural production schemes with standardized quality requirements, the contract farming system can effectively advance the development of rural areas as well as of small and medium-sized agricultural activities.

AREAS OF APPLICATION

Smallholder farmers (SHF): The application allows SHF to make financial forecasts according to their individual production levels.

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Processing and trading value chain actors are supported in their follow-up of the use of inputs and production levels of contractual bound SHF.

Financial institutions (FI) are capacitated to precisely monitor loan disbursements and repayments and to analyse the risks linked to the various contract-farming financing schemes.

The project implementation unit (PIU) uses the tool to follow up and monitor the set up financing scheme at FI level for the benefit of the SHFs and/or the Agro-SMEs.

WEB-BASED DATA COLLECTION AND MONITORING

Relevant sets of information can be digitally entered and subsequently monitored and controlled. Data sets include simple production-specific data (planning of production cycles), information for target/actual analyses and simple cash flow calculations as well as loan repayment plans. The tool can also be used to monitor and verify financing and refinancing flows in addition to loan repayments of the various stakeholders.

