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Breaking Poverty Traps

- Delivery of science based technology
- Institutional organization
- Market access
- Enabling Policy



Agricultural Productivity

- Agricultural output and input markets
- Access to credit
- Soil health
- Crop varieties
- Seed and fertilizer distribution
- Rural labor markets
- Training and extension
- Land tenure



High Quality Seed

- Fundamental to enhancing productivity
- **Food security**
- Rural livelihoods



Regulatory Framework

National

Regional

Plant Breeding & Varietal Improvement
 Variety maintenance & early generation seed multiplication

- **G** Formal and informal seed delivery system
- □ Variety release registration
 - DUS testing
- Seed certification

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Seed Policy Harmonization

- ► EAC
- COMESA
- SADC
- **ECOWAS**
- Case studies by SFSA and NML
 - EAC & COMESA (Kenya)
 - SADC & COMESA (Zimbabwe)
 - **ECOWAS** (Ghana)
 - Regional variety release test cases: 2016 Findings Seed Enterprises Management Institute

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Prioritizing Improved Seed Availability

Access to Foundation Seed
 AGRA working with:

 Governments
 Private Sector
 Competent Groups



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