

# 3<sup>RD</sup> BR PERFORMANCE REVIEW STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

## CAADP YOUTH NETWORK-BW

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GRAND ARIE, GABORONE

COMPREHENSIVE AFRICAN  
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAM OF BOTSWANA



# WHO WE ARE?

**CYN BW is a youth led organisation with sister youth networks located in Zambia, Namibia and soon Zimbabwe. Our mandate as per the CHARTER OF THE YOUTH NETWORK ON THE COMPREHENSIVE AFRICA AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM housed in the AU is to:**

- Promote permanent and dynamic dialogue among the youth, government, CSOs, development partners and UN agencies with regard to agriculture and sustainable livelihoods in the region;
- Seek to build solidarity among African youth for the purpose of enhancing their role in policies, plans, programme implementation, monitoring and evaluation processes;
- Support the capacity building, development and integration of youth in all aspects of agriculture in the region;

# WHY WE EXIST?



**We exist as a response of Africa's critical need for positive and sustainable growth in the Agric sector:**

- We hope to achieve increased **ACCESS TO LAND** for youth
- **INNOVATIVE FUNDING** to promote cluster & co-operative growth
- **TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING** especially in rural areas by having linkages with existing training centres.
- **TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER** by developing climate-smart technologies that increase current productivity and help increase the usage of solar technologies and bio-technology;
- **MARKETS AND MOBILITY** –This will increase the contribution of youth agribusinesses towards the GDP by 10% (from existing figure

# Who Endorsed CAADP?



**Caadp was prepared by FAO in cooperation with New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) secretariat following a consultative process :**

- It was endorsed by AU Heads of States Summit as a NEPAD program in 2003

# HOW WE WILL ACHIEVE THIS?



**By providing a platform for youth in Botswana to engage in dialogue and share experiences with regard to youth participation in agriculture and sustainable livelihoods especially as regards CAADP and 2014 Malabo Declaration:**

- We advocate and lobby for active representation and participation of youth in agriculture and related programmes and actions, - in particular and sustainable development, - in general.
- We provide a platform for young people to build bridges with other youth platforms within & outside the continent and thus contributing towards overcoming obstacles of youth participation in agricultural policies, plans, programmes and actions at all levels.
- We also lobby for funding and technical support that will build the capacities of youth and youth organizations to play an active role in the implementation of agricultural programmes and projects across Africa

# Youth Engagement



**Engaging youth in agriculture is increasingly being recognized as a critical component of the sustainable development pathway. Worldwide, there is growing concern that young people have become disenchanted with agriculture. About 85% of the young people live in developing countries, where agriculture is likely to provide the main source of income**

# Youth Projects



# Challenges That Hinders Involvement



- Lack of enough finances
- Lack of access to viable market
- Lack of access to land
- Agriculture is a “low status career”
- No role models in Agriculture
- Mindset that Agriculture is practiced by old & illiterate



# What's Needed to Enhance Involvement



- ❖ Structured financial opportunities
- ❖ Active engagement in strategic partnerships
- ❖ Peer-to-peer communication crucial
- ❖ Implementation of existing policy interventions & strategic plans

# The Role of CYN BW in implementation of CAADP/Malabo Declaration



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- ❖ Development of a detailed data base and avail it to stakeholders in order to accurately measure youth participation.
- ❖ Creating sustainable farming enterprises, CYN BW through the joint effects of sector stakeholders intends to assist the farming youth in accessing land, funding and technologies that would ensure a consistent production and ultimately result in increased production
- ❖ Information dissemination, CYN BW will be home to information pertaining to CAADP/Malabo declaration with the mandate to educate and inform the public on how they can participate at grass root level

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