

Enabling public & private investments to promote Local Food Systems

Finance for Food Security (F4F) programme is conceived to provide effective solutions for local Food and Nutrition Security in remote areas of Africa and Asia, where individuals and communities face most constraints in terms of food insecurity. Achieving Food and Nutrition Security requires not only access to food, but also linkages to basic health care services, clean water and sanitation, appropriate information, skills training to insure that food is better utilized.

Enhancing the role of local governments in tackling those challenges is the key issue. The cornerstone of FNS strategies is therefore the needs for investments, both public and private, in

boosting the food production sector at local level. Local governments are in the best position to act within national policies, where key dimensions of the food security can be addressed: the territorial dimension, participatory approaches, and sector integration.

F4F provide an integrative framework to support effective multi-dimensional interventions in the local space to adopt territorially integrated approaches that are needed to define, diagnose and support the operation of LFS. Through its pionneer experience, F4F acts as a great contributor to innovative knowledge in the food security field.

Tested financing instruments targeting missing links in the LFS

Local Development Funds (LDF)

Adapted to most public infrastructure investments: the common channel for funding needs to support LFS development.

Local Finance Initiative (LFI)

Designed to unlock domestic financial sectors and mobilize private sector capital for bankable projects, operating in the realm of PPP.

4 Complementary components to build strong synergies

Support better adapted policies & programmes, enabling LG to play a strategic role.

> Support LG and stakeholders incorporating coherent interventions within Local Development plans & investments programmes. It identifies catalytic investments that could support a multiplier effect in the LFS.

Provide strategic financing (grants, loans, guarantees, equity, and/or quasi-equity), as well as advisory services & capacity building support.

Cater lessons learned and emphasize on knowledge management. Works to deepen the impact of UNCDF most successful interventions.

5 Countries & increasing geographical coverage



A Global program to ensure more effective interventions coordinated through Local Government in LDCs to develop locally adapted policies, in complementarity with national policies and international agencies.



7 Strategic pathways to adress the 4 key pillars of Food Security

Increase & diversify food production

Strengthen food value chain

Improve income generation & social safety nets

Improve nutrition & hygiene

Improve food system governance

Strengthen the role of women

Improve food system resilience UTILIZATION

AVAILABILITY

ACCESS

STABILITY

3 implementation phases with key hamonized activities

- Inception
- Roll-out & consolidation
- Phase-out or restructuring

Flexible toolkit with in-depth analysis of selected projects & mechanisms to customize interventions for specific situations & maximize the impact on the country and local situations ".