

Invitation to the Grow Africa Forum

8th - 9th November 2011 Movenpick Hotel, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

An event convened by the African Agricultural Growth and Investment Task Force in cooperation with the African Union, NEPAD and the World Economic Forum

We would like to invite you to this milestone meeting that seek to strengthen new agricultural growth initiatives in Africa. It will bring together leaders and experts from governments, the private sector, and development partners.

The Grow Africa event and the wider work of African Agricultural Growth and Investment Task Force (AAGIT) bring together the Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Programme (CAADP) and the New Vision for Agriculture initiative of the World Economic Forum in an effort to accelerate growth in African agriculture.

The Grow Africa Forum in November will launch a process for engaging investment around specific priorities and initiatives in 4-6 countries, with a goal of developing concrete investment plans for presentation at the next Grow Africa Forum, prior to the World Economic Forum on Africa in May 2012.

The November Grow Africa Forum will focus on **Expanding Partnerships, Catalysing Investment, and Integrating Best Practice.** The goal of the meeting is to support multiple African countries in initiating investment planning and mobilization initiatives, with support from local, regional and global partners. The programme format will maximise the opportunity for targeted and practical small group working sessions engaging leaders of business, government, donor agencies and other groups. It will maximise the time for private sector partners to have direct discussions with country teams on the investment opportunities available.

We hope you will join us in Dar es Salaam for a focused and concrete discussion on agricultural investments.

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Best regards,

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