

PROMISAM –II

Project to Mobilize Food Security Initiatives in Mali

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Background

- Associate Award under the competitively awarded Food Security III (FS III) Cooperative Agreement
- Begun in December, 2008 and currently funded through November, 2011
- Builds strongly upon 2 recent efforts:
 - ✓ 2004-2007 FS III Associate Award from USAID/Mali to work with the CSA to implement the SNSA by helping local communities to develop their own food security plans;
 - ✓ 2004-06 USAID/ALO award to help IPR/IFRA (the University of Bamako's faculty of agriculture) redesign its 2-year (BAC+2) agricultural technology program;

Objectives

- **General Objective:** Strengthen the capacities of the Malian government and higher education bodies in Mali to develop market-friendly food security and agricultural policies consistent with CAADP
- **Specific Objectives:**
 1. Further enhance and develop technical and analytical skills of the CSA and related support agencies
 2. Assist in the implementation of food security plans country-wide
 3. Develop an academic and practical curriculum for IPR Katibougou to help educate next generation of Malian food security policy analysts and agro-business specialists
 4. Help Mali complete background analysis and organization of its Round Table, leading to preparation and signature of Mali's CAADP compact

Major Components

- CSA's analytic capacity strengthening activities
- Monitoring and evaluation of local food security plans – Joint activity with PGP2 and Peace Corps
- IPR/Katibougou : Establishing the Department of Agricultural Economics/Food Policy Analysis
- Support the organization of the Malian CAADP roundtable

Links with other MSU work in West Africa

- Hewlett Foundation-funded work on Market Information and Grade and Standards
- Syngenta Foundation-funded research on regional market integration
- Gates foundation-funded research on the dynamics of staple food markets in Africa
- SAGIC-funded work on Mali-Senegal border conference
- Support to ECOWAS on the regional CAADP

PROMISAM II's Achievements in Year

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- CAADP compact signed during roundtable held in October 2009
- Dept of Agricultural Economics opened in Katibougou in November 2009
- Strengthening the analytic capacities of the CSA and its affiliated agencies through:
 - Joint development of national cereals marketing strategy document
 - Outlook bulletin production with OMA
 - Completed initial round of data collection on farmers' cereal marketing
- A strategy for developing and testing methods for community organizations to monitor implementation of local food security plans – Joint with PGP2 & PC