

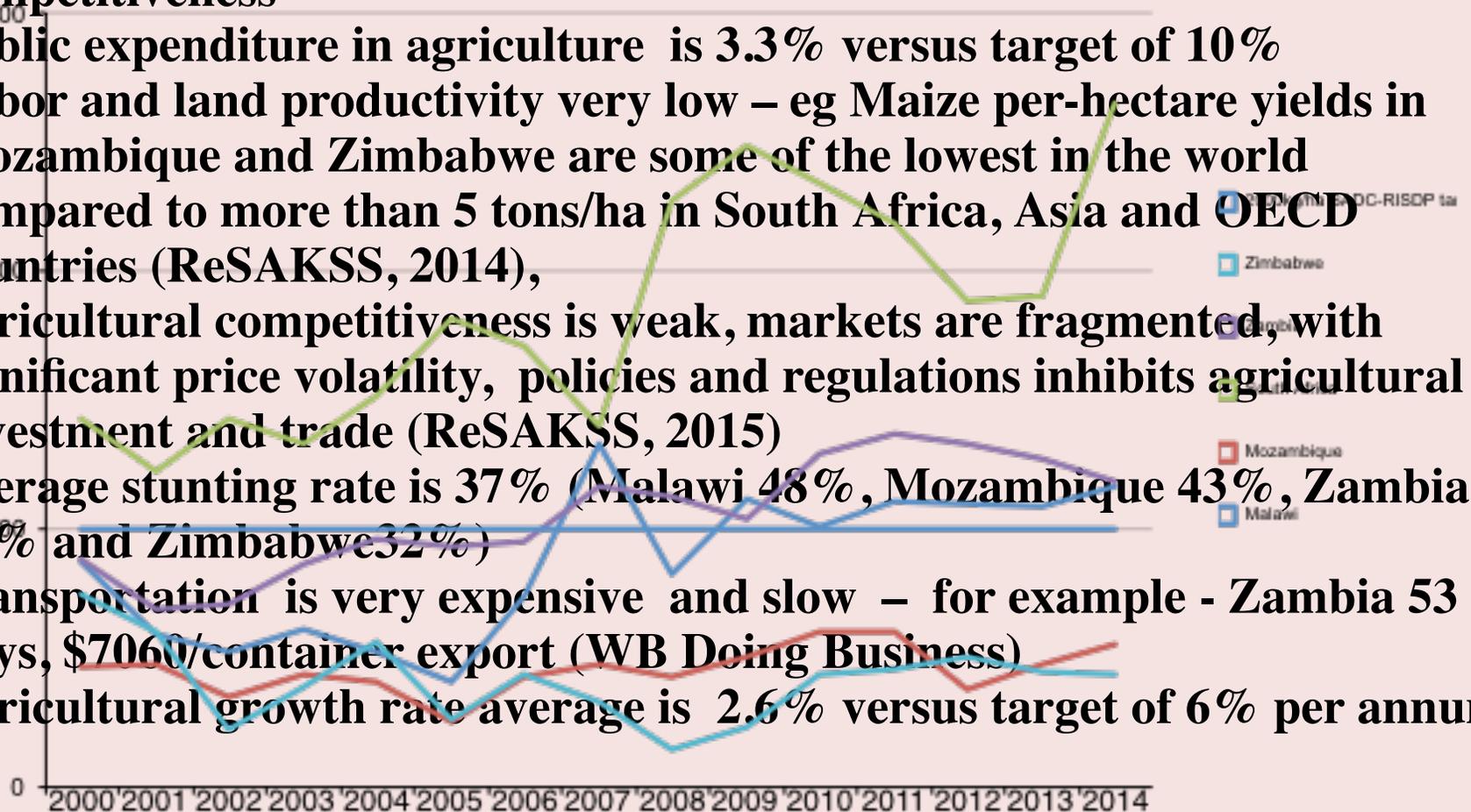
Feed the Future Southern Africa Portfolio



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Maize Yields

- **Inconsistent policies – hinder production, agri-business development and competitiveness**
- **Public expenditure in agriculture is 3.3% versus target of 10%**
- **Labor and land productivity very low – eg Maize per-hectare yields in Mozambique and Zimbabwe are some of the lowest in the world compared to more than 5 tons/ha in South Africa, Asia and OECD countries (ReSAKSS, 2014),**
- **Agricultural competitiveness is weak, markets are fragmented, with significant price volatility, policies and regulations inhibits agricultural investment and trade (ReSAKSS, 2015)**
- **Average stunting rate is 37% (Malawi 48%, Mozambique 43%, Zambia 46% and Zimbabwe 32%)**
- **Transportation is very expensive and slow – for example - Zambia 53 days, \$7060/container export (WB Doing Business)**
- **Agricultural growth rate average is 2.6% versus target of 6% per annum**



GOAL: ENHANCED REGIONAL FOOD SECURITY

INCREASED INTRA-REGIONAL TRADE OF KEY COMMODITIES AND INPUTS FOR SELECTED VALUE CHAINS

ADDRESSING FOOD ACCESS & STABILITY

INCREASED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY

ADDRESSING FOOD AVAILABILITY

INCREASED REGIONAL PRIVATE SECTOR FINANCING/ INVESTMENT IN KEY AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAINS

IMPROVED TRADE FACILITATION IN TRANSIT AND CUSTOMS ALONG KEY TRADE CORRIDORS

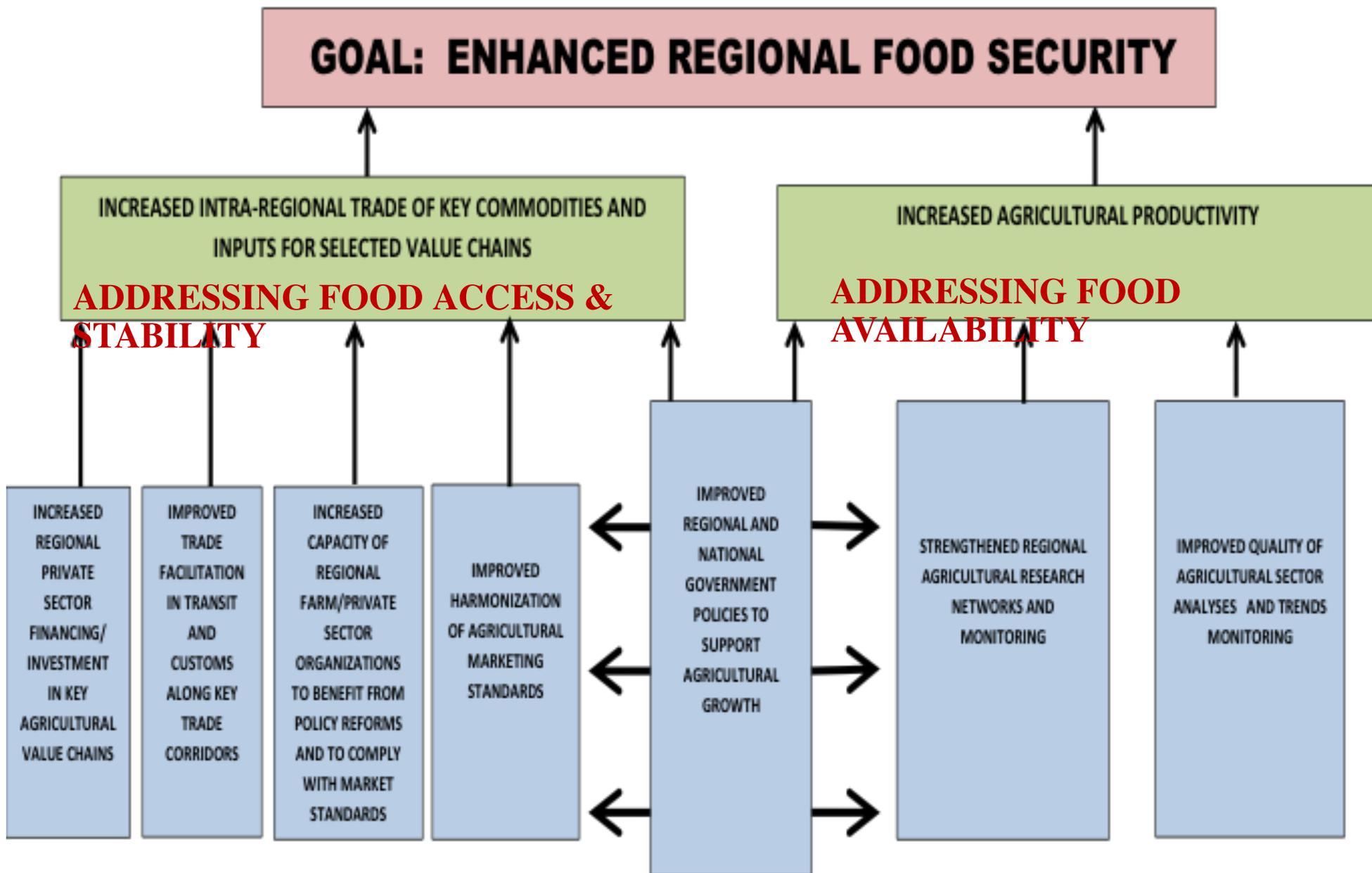
INCREASED CAPACITY OF REGIONAL FARM/PRIVATE SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS TO BENEFIT FROM POLICY REFORMS AND TO COMPLY WITH MARKET STANDARDS

IMPROVED HARMONIZATION OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING STANDARDS

IMPROVED REGIONAL AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT POLICIES TO SUPPORT AGRICULTURAL GROWTH

STRENGTHENED REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH NETWORKS AND MONITORING

IMPROVED QUALITY OF AGRICULTURAL SECTOR ANALYSES AND TRENDS MONITORING



- *Support for inclusive, evidence-based policy making/reform and analysis to create enabling environments in line with CAADP agenda – SADC compact, Agricultural Investment plan, Food Security and Nutrition Policy*
- *Support to harmonizing policies and regulations – Seeds Release Systems, SPS Strategy, Trade Facilitation Strategy*
- *Institutional and human capacity development*
- *Expanding markets and trade – storage infrastructure, trade facilitation, finance, food safety (aflatoxin control & mitigation)*
- *Support for public-private partnership development*



Private sector engagement for scaling of agricultural sciences, technologies, innovations and management practices through leveraging South Africa Investment and expertise



Support to implementation of the Regional Agricultural Policy - providing evidence on how best the regional and Member States can advance the CAADP agenda and achieve the new targets as per Malabo Declaration

Guidance on integrating climate smart agriculture in portfolio

Fortification efforts in crops and foods – active and collaborative engagement with key regional partners, for example CCARDESA

Trade flow monitoring

**ALIGNMENT OF ACTIVITIES TO THE REGION'S PRIORITIES
COORDINATION & COLLABORATION IN DEVELOPING WORK
PLANS**



Thank you.