Building a sustainable and inclusive coffee sector in Uganda

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Importance of coffee in the country economy
Major contributor to the economy

- **Employment**
  - 2.5 million (growing and trading)
  - 41.5 million inhabitants
  - * 84% in rural areas (poverty widespread among women and youth)
  - 1.7 million small scale coffee farmers

- **Revenue**
  - Average exports value: US$415million from 3.4 million bags;
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• **Low productivity**
  Arabica: Less than 600kg/ha
  Robusta: less than 500kg/ha
  Low profitability for small scale growers (0.25 ha farm size)
  Ageing farming population

• **Low value addition**
  • Limited off-farm processing
  • Limited roasting
  • Exports (green beans)
Promote a sustainable and inclusive coffee sector
Expected impacts

• **Increased coffee productivity and production**
  * Productivity: from 500kg to 1.3 t/ha in 2025/26
  * Production from 5.2 million to 10 million bags

• **Improved livelihoods**
  • Reduction of poverty in rural area
  • Increased average household income
Expected impacts

• **Improved role and participation of women and youth**

• **Increased contribution of coffee to the economy**
  • Increased exports value
  • Increased employment;
Main activities of the project, costs and Implementation
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• I. Building a sustainable coffee production system through transfer of technology and capacity building of small-scale farmers and other actors of the coffee value chain

• II. Climate change adaptation and environmentally responsible practices.

• III. Coffee quality improvement and creation of value addition opportunities.

• IV. Coffee market development, including market intelligence
Provisional costs

- Total estimated project cost: US$24 million
- Financing from Donors: US$19.3 million
- Co-financing by the Government of Uganda: US$4.7 million
Project implementation

- **Project Executing Agency:** Uganda Coffee Development Authority (UCDA)

- **Monitoring & Evaluation:** International Coffee Organization (ICO)
Thank you