

Lessons Learned from Agribusiness Development in Fragile States

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Case

- (agri) Value chain development
- South Sudan and Burundi
- Increased income, employment and production for human and food security
- Activities disrupted by conflict

Challenges

- High costs in programme implementation
- Low surplus levels
- Job/business creation vs income generation
- Food security: agri-processing vs farming
- Market based approach not always inclusive

Solutions

- Value chain targeting: market and employment potentials
- Support cooperatives
- Processing incubator
- Market research in business plan development
- Secure a market + access to finance

Action Research

- Peace dividend and post-conflict vs emergency aid, early recovery and structural development
- Planning: Fallback options and less value chain analyses
- Lead firm involvement is key but then development vs corporate agenda

Thank you!