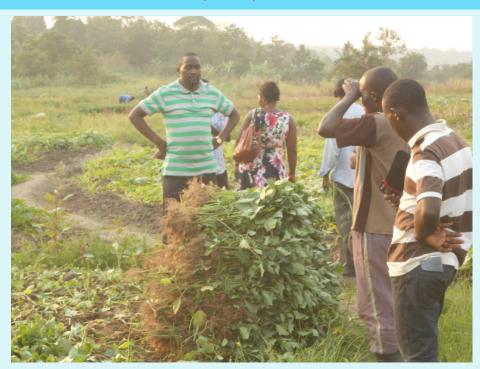
# Development of a Gender Responsive Commercial Seed System for African Indigenous Vegetables in Uganda

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## What is the issue?

### Importance and Problem

- Solanacea leafy vegetable is one of African indigenous vegetables with high nutritive value.
- Its production and trade is by limited access to quality seeds.
- Seed multiplication offers huge opportunities for women and youth farmers that are traditionally growers of vegetables.



## **Project objectives**

- 1. Enhance capacity of women and youth groups to produce AIVs seed.
- 2. Increase utilization of quality assurance services for AIV in seed production.
- 3. Develop business models for AIV seed production and marketing.
- 4. Optimize scales of production for the AIVs seed system.
- 5. Increase economic women power and decision



## How do we solve the seed problem

#### Innovative solution

- Upgrading vegetable farmers a from low return chain activities (leaf production) to high return value added products (seed).
- Nakati vegetable Leaf production earns UGX 600,000/= compared to UGX 7.000.000/= (USD 2000) per acre per season.



#### **Process**

The consortium applied;

- Inclusive value chains analysis
- Participatory learning action
- Equity-focused research
- Creating positive deviance



## What is next?

### Vision of the future

- Increased participation in upgraded AIV value chain.
- Formal and functional commercial AIV seed system.
- Increased gender equity due increased profits and value.



## What we want from you

 Partnership to leverage resources for more participation in inclusive markets, finances and gender equity.

