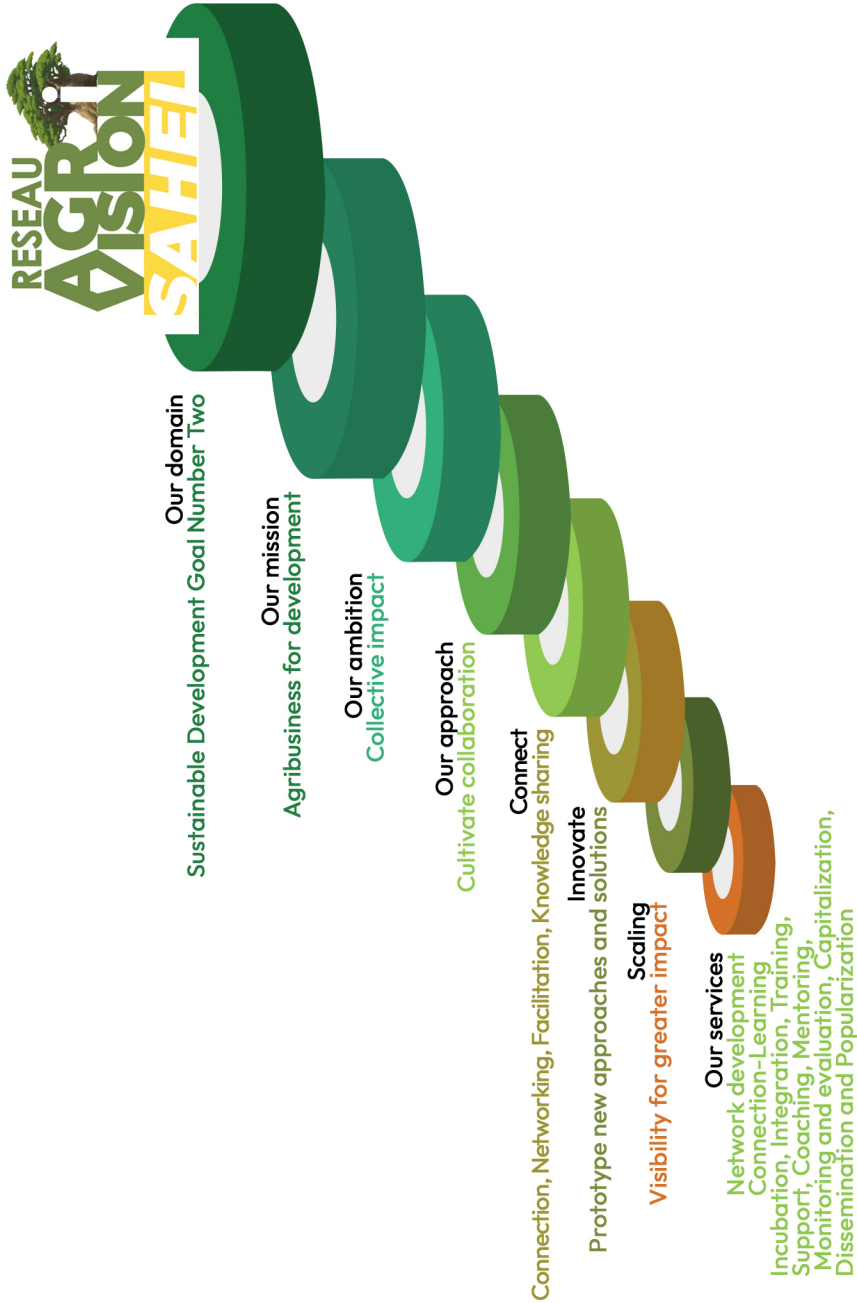


The Agri Vision Sahel Network at a glance!

Making Agribusiness work for Sahel Development



Agriculture to ensure the socio-economic development of Mali and the Sahel



Promotion of Agricultural and Rural Entrepreneurship
of Young Men and Women
Agricultural mechanization and digitalization

7 Themes:

- Agribusiness and Circular Economy
- Agribusiness and inclusive rural finance
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- Development of market systems
- Nutrition-sensitive Agribusiness
- Agribusiness and gender inclusion
- Agribusiness sensitive to climate change
- Development of agricultural financial and non-financial services

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Announcement and information

1. Ambition

Our network aims to boost the socio-economic development of the Sahel, through the strengthening of mechanisms and systems related to agriculture. This allows for a profound resolution of the crucial challenges and multidimensional issues faced by populations, including urgent problems related to food security. To do this, various actors work in synergy leading to a collective impact. These include: Producers (small and medium) and other actors in the agricultural value chain, mainly women and youth, members of the government, the private sector and civil society; as well as knowledge institutes, funding institutions and other partners of the Network. Agri Vision Sahel has set itself the objective of improving the collective impact of its members, for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, and more specifically Goal No. 2 (SDG2). This requires the resolution of the major bottlenecks that the various communities in the Sahel are facing. Thus, the innovative power of small and medium-sized agricultural enterprises is facilitated and strengthened by a collective and comprehensive networking strategy, which connects companies with government, knowledge institutes, financing institutions and civil society in order to create more impacts.

2. Mission

The main mission of the Agri Vision Sahel network is to enable the implementation of innovative and necessary approaches to achieving food security, thus being an "accelerator of ideas" for agricultural development. It aims to connect organizations in order to create an experimental space, to accelerate knowledge transfer and give significant visibility to the different activities. We create a space for reflection, where decision-makers, changemakers, experts and entrepreneurs can come together to reflect, learn, design, plan and share new approaches

that drive and impact change. The network will support and facilitate the implementation of these approaches. It will create a movement with very tangible action and visible impact.

3. Strategy and approach

The approach of the Agri Vision Sahel network is to create connection links, to satisfy a dynamic of innovative evolution. Connection is essential to mobilize relevant expertise to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills in the targeted countries or areas. Innovation will encourage partners to develop new strategies for effective interventions to create a difference. Our network will provide a space for learning and experimentation. Scaling up will be necessary so that together we can ensure that interventions have a quantitative and qualitative impact. This is done by widely disseminating best practices that will be anchored in current and future policy decisions.

The services to be offered for each change driver are as follows:

Connect

- ✓ **Bringing the right people** together around transformative ideas (coalitions of the necessary actors, not just volunteers)
- ✓ **The collection, linkage and combination of the tacit and explicit knowledge** of all stakeholders necessary to understand and address the challenge;

Innovate

- ✓ **Create an experimental space to infuse the necessary prototype** for new approaches and solutions;
- ✓ **Organize thinking and learn** what solutions work/don't work; why, how, and when?

Scaling

- ✓ **Give visibility to these solutions and learning by** demonstrating and advocating for what is needed (such as changes in policy decisions) to have a greater impact.

Agri Vision Sahel will support the varying coalitions of committed partners.

Also, the network will use the food system approach to identify opportunities to accelerate system change (reinforcing factors or forces) as well as barriers to change (limiting factors or forces). This makes it possible to identify interventions that could contribute to bringing about this (more) sustainable impact at scale in the different areas, by individual actors as well as through the collaboration of network stakeholders.

4. Fields of expertise, capacity building, tailor-made training.

The main areas of expertise of the Agri Vision Sahel network are the following:

- ✓ Development of the network;
- ✓ Matching;
- ✓ Learning;
- ✓ Leadership;
- ✓ Facilitation;
- ✓ Communication;
- ✓ Development of social networks and platforms;
- ✓ Digitalization of the financial institutions sector;

- ✓ Digitization of agriculture and related professions;
- ✓ Food Systems and Food Security;
- ✓ Development of market systems;
- ✓ Development and promotion of Agro Sylvo Pastoral value chains;
- ✓ Access to and facilitation of finance;
- ✓ Circular economy;
- ✓ Renewable;
- ✓ Agroecology;
- ✓ Agribusiness;
- ✓ Agricultural entrepreneurship;
- ✓ Integration and employability of young people;
- ✓ Coaching and support for young people and SMEs/SMIs;
- ✓ Economic empowerment of women and youth;
- ✓ Development and promotion of business models and financing mechanisms;
- ✓ Development of the culture of Public-Private Partnership
- ✓ Organization of fairs and exhibitions, spaces for exchanges and business meetings for the promotion of Agro Sylvo pastoral products and services, fishery products, harvested products and related activities.

5. Area of intervention

Four (4) Sahel countries are initially targeted by the Agri Vision Sahel network, namely: Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger and Chad

Areas of expertise		
Connecting- Innovate- Scale		
Network development	Food Systems and Food Security	Agricultural Entrepreneurship, Agribusiness for Development
Connecting	Market Systems Development	Mechanization and digitalization of agriculture, agroecology, sustainable agriculture.
Learning	Development and promotion of agro-sylvo-pastoral value chains	Dissemination and extension of good agricultural practices
Leadership	Access to and facilitation of finance Access to quality inputs and equipment, Circular economy	Coaching, mentoring and support for young people, from SMEs to growth
Digitalization of the financial institutions sector	Pre-incubation, incubation, training, support, monitoring, evaluation, capitalization and scale-up	Economic empowerment of women and youth, gender inclusion.
Digitalization of agriculture and related professions		Integration and employability of young men and women

'End hunger, ensure food security, improve nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture