### Milk, meat and fish – more than just food Current research on food safety in sub-Saharan Africa

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### Who is ILRI?



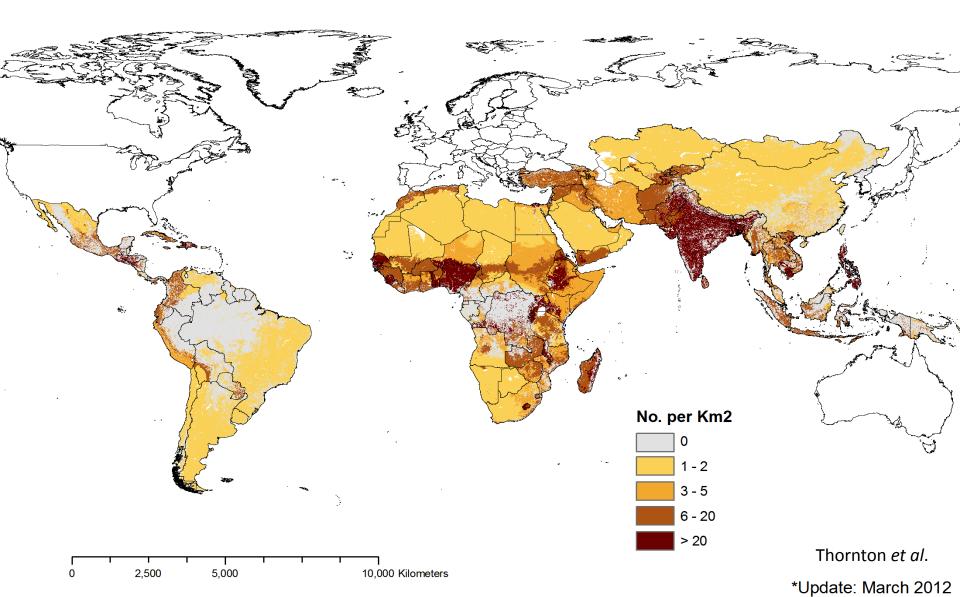
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## CGIAR global partnership for a food secure future

- Poverty alleviation through agricultural research
- 15 research centres
- Mission: better lives through livestock!

**ILRI** -40-YEARS

### Density of Poor Livestock Keepers (PLK) Year 2010\*



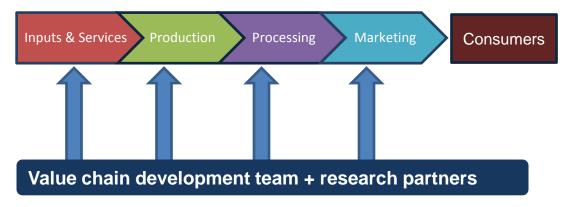
## Opportunities and challenges in the livestock sector

|   |               | Human health   | Economies   | Environment   |
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|   | Opportunities | Population growth, food and nutrition security       | Regional and global demand for livestock products | Manure, fertilizer, regenerative energies                                   |
| 1 | Challenges    | overconsumption, food safety,<br>(emerging) zoonoses | Equity, urbanization, trans-<br>boundary diseases | Land/water degradation,<br>human-wildlife conflict,<br>pollution, emissions |



### Research program on livestock & fish: more meat, milk and fish for and by the poor

R4D integrated to transform selected value chains In targeted commodities and countries.



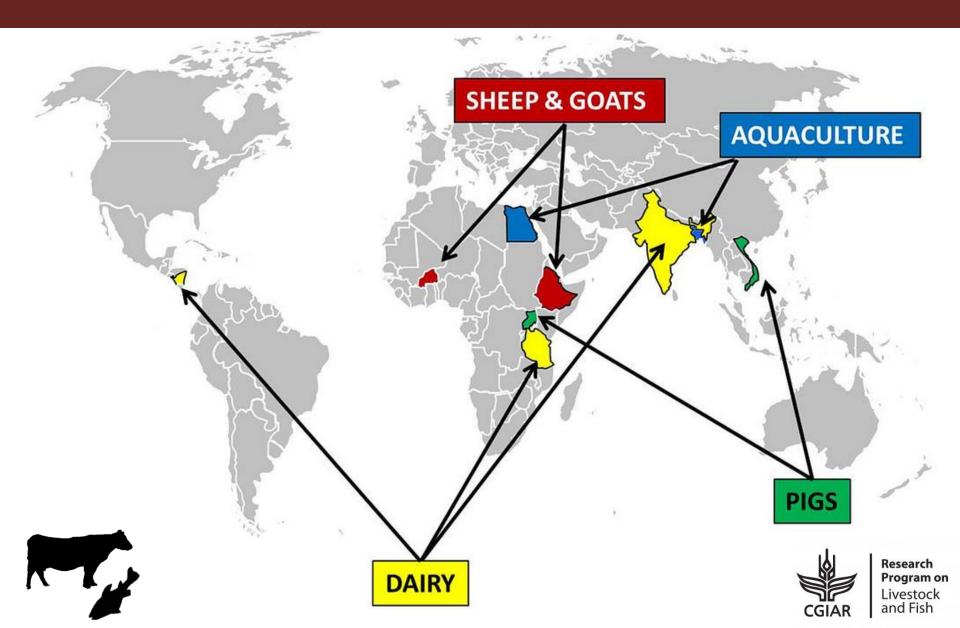
#### To sustainably increase the productivity of

small-scale livestock and fish systems to increase the availability and affordability of animal-source foods for poor consumers.





### 9 target livestock & fish value chains



### Research program on Agriculture for nutrition & health



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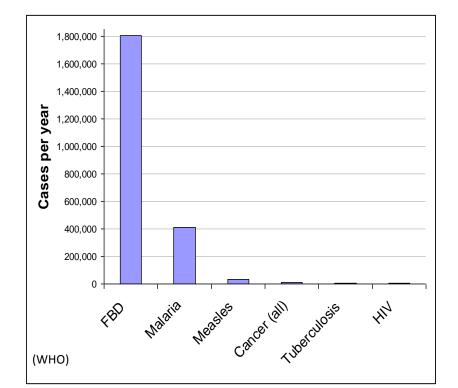
- Program led by IFPRI
- 4 components; ILRI is leading "prevention and control of agricultureassociated diseases"
  - Food borne diseases
  - Emerging infectious diseases
  - Neglected zoonoses
  - Ecohealth/ OneHealth

http://aghealth.wordpress.com/

### Food safety in sub-Saharan Africa

- World wide per year
  >2 billion cases of diarrhea
  1.5 million deaths children <5</li>
- 80% of child deaths due to diarrhea in South Asia and Africa
- Animal source foods are single most important source of food borne disease
- In sub-Saharan Africa >80% of animal source foods sold through informal markets





# 1. INFORMAL MARKETS have a major role in food security and

- < 39% of the national GDP</p>
- Accessible and affordable to everyone
- Involve many actors
- No taxation, no licensing, no inspection
- Prone to activities that may compromise safety
- Perceived to be unsafe



















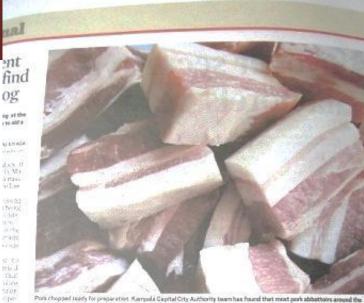




### 2. HAZARDS are common but don't always translate into RISK

- Hazards = any agent that can cause harm
- Risk = probability of that harm to occur + consequences
- Food safety management in developing countries is hazard-based and therefore inefficient





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#### Mwondha case: Lawyers plan to meet on June 29

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#### Bujagall Energy Project; Energy Ministry has Shs366.91bn as unspent money

By Hope Muhairwe

AMPALA CAPITAL City Authority has opened a fresh war on pork joints claiming that most of them are dirty and operate illegally. · All pork supplied in Kampala for human consumption is contaminated, KCCA public health department said, threatening to close all pork joints around the city. Economy Watch spoke to some abattoir owners in different parts of the city and this is what they said; "We are so frustrated over this warning because this has

put our business at risk since being the job that helps us earn income. Butchers said they make awesome profits from the business ranging from Shs8,000 a kilo. Emilia Ahimbisibwe, a KCCA Senior Veterinary Officer said that pork sold in the city is increasingly becoming risky for human consumption, citing the reported unhygienic nature in which meat is being slaughtered and prepared. "A big percentage of pigs slaughtered in Kampala are not cleared for human consumption," Ahimbisibwe said. He threatened that loyal pork consumers face

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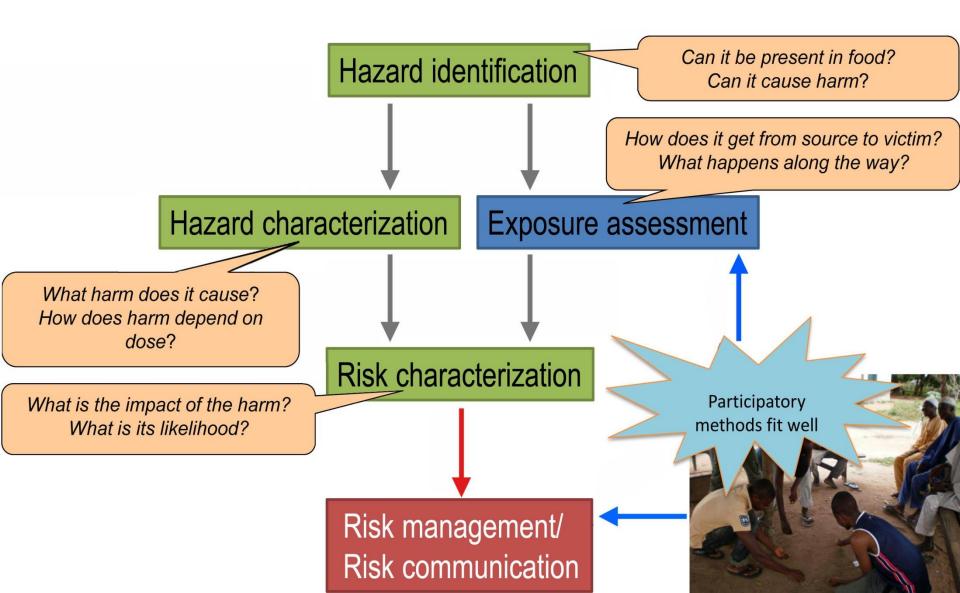
**Abolish Pork** 

**Business** 

He explained that pork contains tape worms which cause epilepsy when consumed without excellent preparation and warned consumers against feasting on meat which is not thoroughly cooked. Ahimbisibwe said they are drafting new laws to guide

butchery attendants and animal transportation to end this food insecurity in the city. A team of officials who included Policemen, KCCA law enforcement personnel and inspectors from the Ministry of Agriculture raided pork joints in Nsambya, Makindye and Luzira. A dozen of pigs were carried away and more than 200 kilogrammes of fresh pork impounded. Pork is a delicacy enjoyed by a vast number of people who purchase the meat at different pork joints around the city. In the recent years, it has become a profitable business to venture into.

### Codex Alimentarius Commission framework for food safety risk assessment



# 3. Informal markets are not necessarily dangerous, nor formal safe

- Informally marketed food often safe
- Biggest challenges: improper harvest and postharvest handling, often because of lack of prerequisites
- Business-oriented attitudes are a major risk to food safety
- Some risks in both markets are underestimated because they do not cause immediate harm

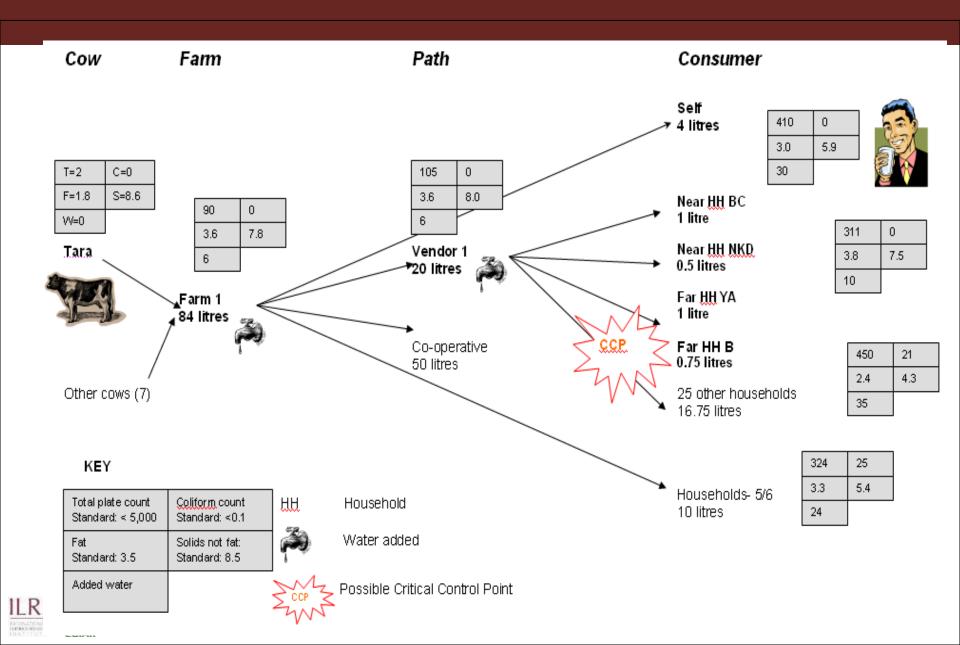




# 4. Farmers, traders and retailers are risk managers in informal markets

- Contamination of food may occur at any stage in the food chain
- Risk pathway analysis helps identifying CCPs
- Everybody handling and benefiting from the product, must take responsibility
- Interventions often simple but lack prerequisites





# 5. Understanding values and culture is crucial for managing food safety in informal markets



- Indigenous knowledge often contributes to food safety
- Eating food is not only for nourishment but also cultural
- Different beliefs about food safety risks
- Difficult to change risky traditional practices
- Some groups are more exposed

## 6. Food safety management also requires a gender perspective

- Men and women dominate/are excluded from different segments of the food value chains
- Different benefits, different risks
- Different vulnerabilities (YOPIs)
- Informal markets are very important to women's livelihoods

# 7. Efforts in managing food safety in informal markets must be pro-poor

- Poor more prone but cannot afford to fall ill
- Risk management needs training, skills development and prerequisites
- Linking formal and informal markets
- Impact assessment on economic losses and gains of food safety risks is needed

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### 2 major ILRI activities on food safety in sub-Saharan Africa

### 1. Safe Food, Fair Food:

risk-based approaches for food safety management in informal markets <u>http://safefoodfairfood.wordpress.com/</u>

### 2. MyDairy:

aflatoxins in dairy products <u>http://aghealth.wordpress.com/</u>



### Safe Food, Fair Food

## Improve livelihoods of poor producers and consumers

### by reducing the health risks

## and *increasing the nutritional benefits* associated with meat, milk and fish

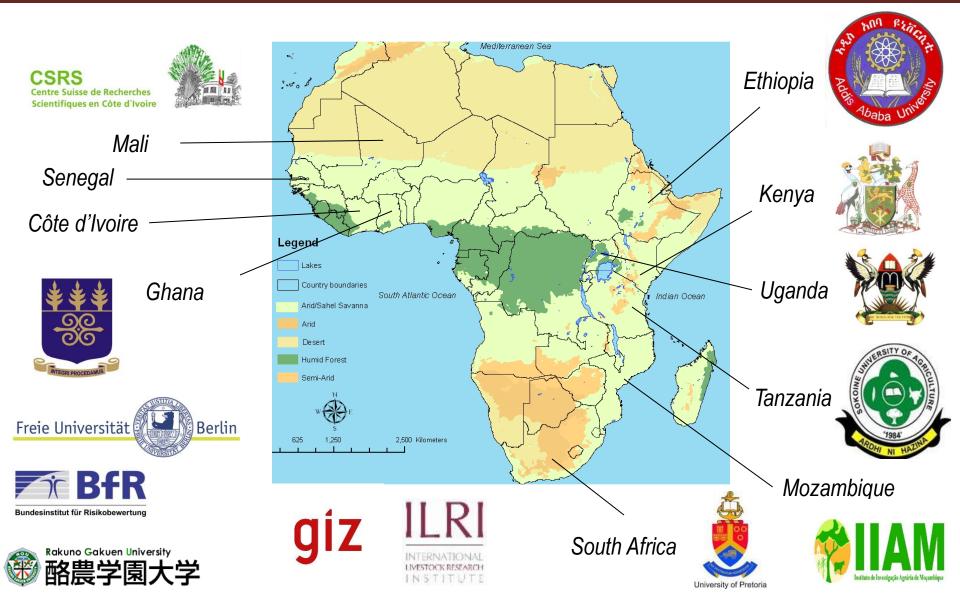


### Safe Food, Fair Food

- Risk assessment in selected 4 livestock value chains
- Testing of best-bet interventions
- Engage policy and upgrade university curricula



### 10 countries, 13 partners



## MyDairy: measuring and mitigating risk of mycotoxins in maize and dairy

- Research focus on aflatoxins
- High levels in feeds and milk in Kenya
- Cause acute and chronic illness in people and animals (high rates of liver cancer)
- Economic losses from spoilage





### MyDairy

- Integrated risk and economic assessment of the Kenyan feed dairy chain
- 2. Technologies & practices for risk management of mycotoxins in the feed-dairy chain
- Randomized control trial for low cost postharvest technologies to reduce aflatoxins in maize among smallholder farmers



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The book includes a review of the key issues and 25 case studies of the meat, milk, egg and fish food sectors drawn from a wide range of countries in East, West and Southern Africa, as part of the "Safe Food, Fair Food" project. It describes a realistic analysis of food safety risk by developing a methodology of 'participatory food safety risk assessment', involving small-scale producers and consumers in the process of data collection in a data-poor environment often found in developing countries. This approach aims to ensure market access for poor producers, while adopting a realistic and pragmatic strategy for reducing the risk of food-borne diseases for consumers.

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