# Incubating a promising financial solution for the drylands:

*Toward sustainable index-based livestock insurance (IBLI) for pastoralists* 



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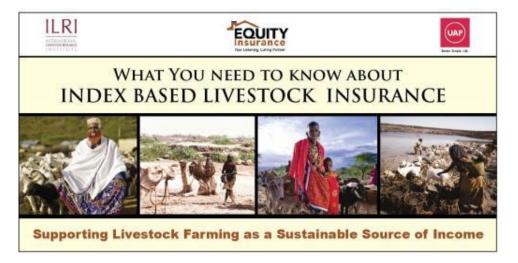


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## **THE IBLI R&D CHALLENGE**

Can index-based insurance make a significant and sustainable contribution to the challenge of helping pastoralists manage the considerable risk of drought-related livestock losses they face?



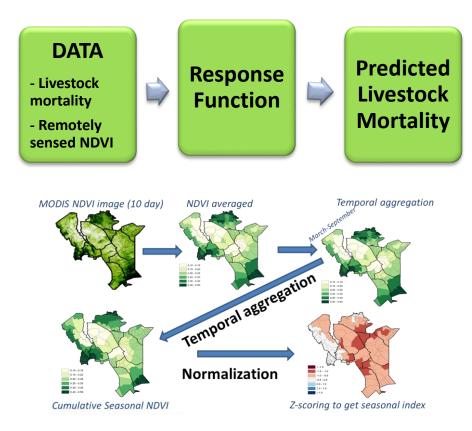
- 1. Precise contract design:
- 2. Evidence of value and Impact:
- 3. Establish informed effective demand,
- 4. Low cost, efficient, delivery mechanisms
- 5. Policy and institutional infrastructure.





- Objective (Initially): To insure against drought- related livestock mortality.
   Asset Replacement.
- Index: Predicted average livestock mortality.
- Contract Evolution: From Asset
  Replacement to Asset Protection
- Index: Seasonal Forage Availability

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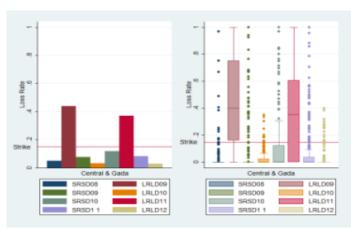
#### Methods:

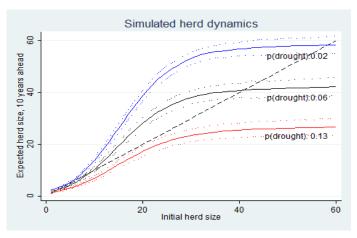
- Panel survey for impact assessment
- Monitoring Evaluation and Learning surveys and interactions

### **Evidence:**

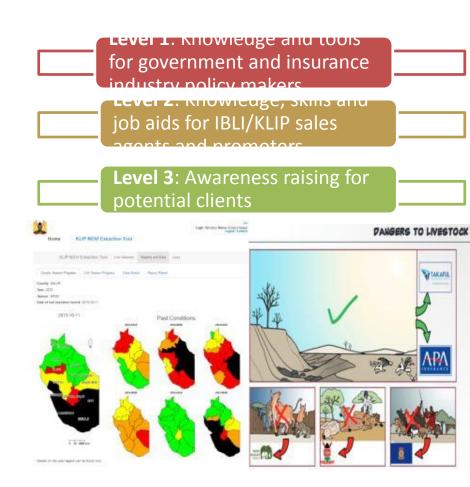
- Wide range of positive household impacts
- Quantification of risk-coverage precision of contracts
- Indication of value-for-money for public expenditure

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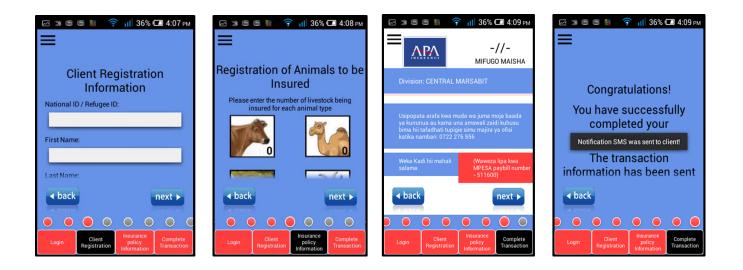




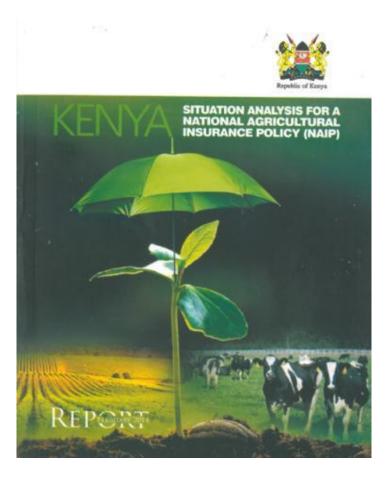
- Capacity Development, Training, Extension and Marketing
  - Critical for ensuring impact and scaling efficiently
  - Unlocks a rich and important new research agenda



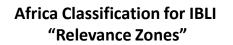
- Need to solve for the cost of service provision in the drylands
- Application of digital technological solutions
  - will be critical to reducing costs and going to scale

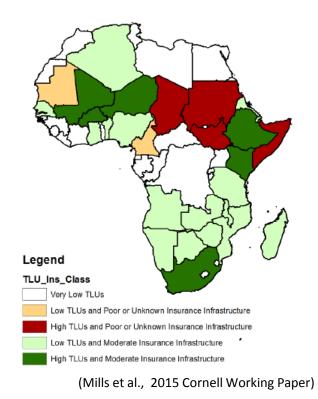


- Well articulated policy structures as the foundation for sustainable scale
- The important role of public support
- Determining the optimal mix of public/private roles and responsibilities as critical



- Over 11,750 herders in N. Kenya and 4,000 in S. Ethiopia have purchased IBLI
- The GoK and the launch of the Kenya Livestock Insurance Program
- WFP Ethiopia testing comprehensive inclusion of IBLI
- How to meet the growing demand across SSA:
  - **impacts based targeting** strategic deployment in areas of high relevance
  - Standardization and rating of contracts
  - Standardization of methods: extension, capacity development etc.







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