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BRIEF OVER VIEW OF LSIL

- ASF is very important in the diet of children and pregnant & lactating women
- Unfortunately it is lacking in the diet of the poor
- USAID awarded the University of Florida/IFAS to establish LSIL
- A five year initiative (October 2015- September 2020)
- **Vision of LSIL**: Sustainably intensify smallholder livestock systems to improve human nutrition, health & income.
- Initial target countries: Rwanda, Ethiopia, Burkina Faso, Niger, Nepal & Cambodia







APPROACH

Focus on Four Areas of Inquiry (AOI) & three crosscutting themes

AOI

CCT

ASF Production & Marketing

Livestock Disease Management & Food Safety

Enabling policies for livestock

Future Livestock Systems

Role of Gender in livestock systems Research

Human & institutional capacity development (HICD)

Human health & Nutrition



PARTICIPATORY PRIORITY SETTING

- LSIL representatives undertook stakeholder consultations (scoping visits) (Dec. 2015)
- A multi-stakeholder Innovation Platform meeting conducted (Feb. 18 & 19, 2016) at Kigali
- A multi-stakeholder inception workshop organized (January 9 & 10, 2017) at Kigali







GRANT PORTFOLIO

Type of Grant Maximum duration & budget

Reach grants Up to 4 years; Up to \$1000,000

Focus grants One year; Up to \$150,000

Catalyst Grants

Small grants to bridge gaps in bigger grants

We have one **Reach** and two Focus projects for Rwanda







'ENHANCING MILK QUALITY AND CONSUMPTION FOR IMPROVED INCOME AND NUTRITION IN RWANDA'

- Led by ILRI & RTI international
- Collaborators: University of Rwanda & Technoserve
- A multi-disciplinary project
- Encompasses most of AOI & CCTs
- Builds on previous efforts & complements ongoing







THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

- To inform the status of the project to key stakeholders
- To learn challenges & opportunities related to implementation of the project from past projects/ initiatives
- To identify areas of complementarity with ongoing projects
- To get critical inputs & feedbacks from key stakeholders on the draft implementation plans







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