FOOD SECURITY IN AFRICA (FSA) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

between

U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

and

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

(In-country time period: June 1985 - June 1988)

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  - Click [here to view downloadable documents from MSU research programs on food security in Rwanda (1983-99)](http://example.com)
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1. **Cooperating Institutions:**
   
   OAR/Rwanda (USAID)
   Ministry of Agriculture, Agricultural Survey and Statistical Service "SESA,
   Department of Agricultural Economics, MSU

2. **Researchers Involved:**
   
   SESA: Serge Rwamasirabo, Jean Chrysostome Mukezangango, Jean Leonard Ngirumwami, Theobald Kampayana, and Yvan Dejaegher
   MSU In-Country Researcher: Scott Loveridge
   MSU Campus Backstop: Mike Weber and Jim Shaffer

3. **Objectives of the Research:**
The two major objectives of this research were: 1) to develop information and analytical procedures which will contribute to understanding of important policy questions related to the interaction of production, marketing, pricing and food security issues for selected storable commodities in Rwanda; 2) to contribute to the development of a framework and analytical capacity for future food security analysis in Rwanda, and the specification of anticipated data requirements.

4. **Research Approach:**

Study components included national markets, farmers, merchants, and selected public programs and policies. For each component a series of systematic surveys obtained either existing secondary information or new primary data from a sample of participants.

A majority of the surveys were focused on relatively limited samples and maximize the involvement of analysts in understanding how the selected food system components operate and relate to each other. Four focused surveys were added to SESA's on-going national sample survey.

5A. **Outputs: Working Papers/Journal Articles**


Loveridge, Scott, and Michael T. Weber, "Relationships Between Food Production, Marketing, and Farmer Perceptions in Five Prefectures of Rwanda."

Loveridge, Scott, et. al., "Results of a Survey on Farm Level Sorghum Marketings". English draft version of a working paper in French, presented in Kigali, April 5, 1988.


Loveridge, Scott, with Krista C. Dessert, "Relationships Between Bean Marketings and Bean Production Techniques: A Study of Fifteen Farms in the Prefecture of Kigali."


Mukezangango, J. Chrysostome, "Enquêtes sur les Prix: Description des Séries des Prix Déjà Existants."


SESA/MSU Research Team, "Production, Markets, Prices and Food Security Relationships Among Selected Commodities in Rwanda: A Research Program Overview."

SESA/MSU Research Team, "Rélations Entre la Production, la Commercialisation, les Prix et la Sécurité Alimentaire de Certains Produits Vivriers Stockables au Rwanda."

5B. Outputs: Thesis and related papers.


5C. Seminars/Conferences:

1. In Rwanda, the food security team has made presentations at:

   Briefing sessions for EEC Marketing Study researchers.

   Briefing sessions for USAID/Kigali officials on various occasions.

   Presentations and Collaboration with Ministry of Plan and Finance Project on Enterprise and Employment Policy in Rwanda.


   Conference on Improving the Understanding of Production and Marketing of Selected Food Products in Rwanda, organized by Ministry of Agriculture for representatives of various Rwandan agencies and donor officials, May 27, 1987.


2. In the U.S., presentations on the research have been made to:

   USAID officials in Africa Bureau, S & T, and PPC staff on 3 different occasions.

   University of Minnesota - Rwanda Bean Storage Project Researchers.

   M.S.U. students and faculty on 3 separate occasions in workshops and lectures.