

Tropical Agriculture Platform (TAP)

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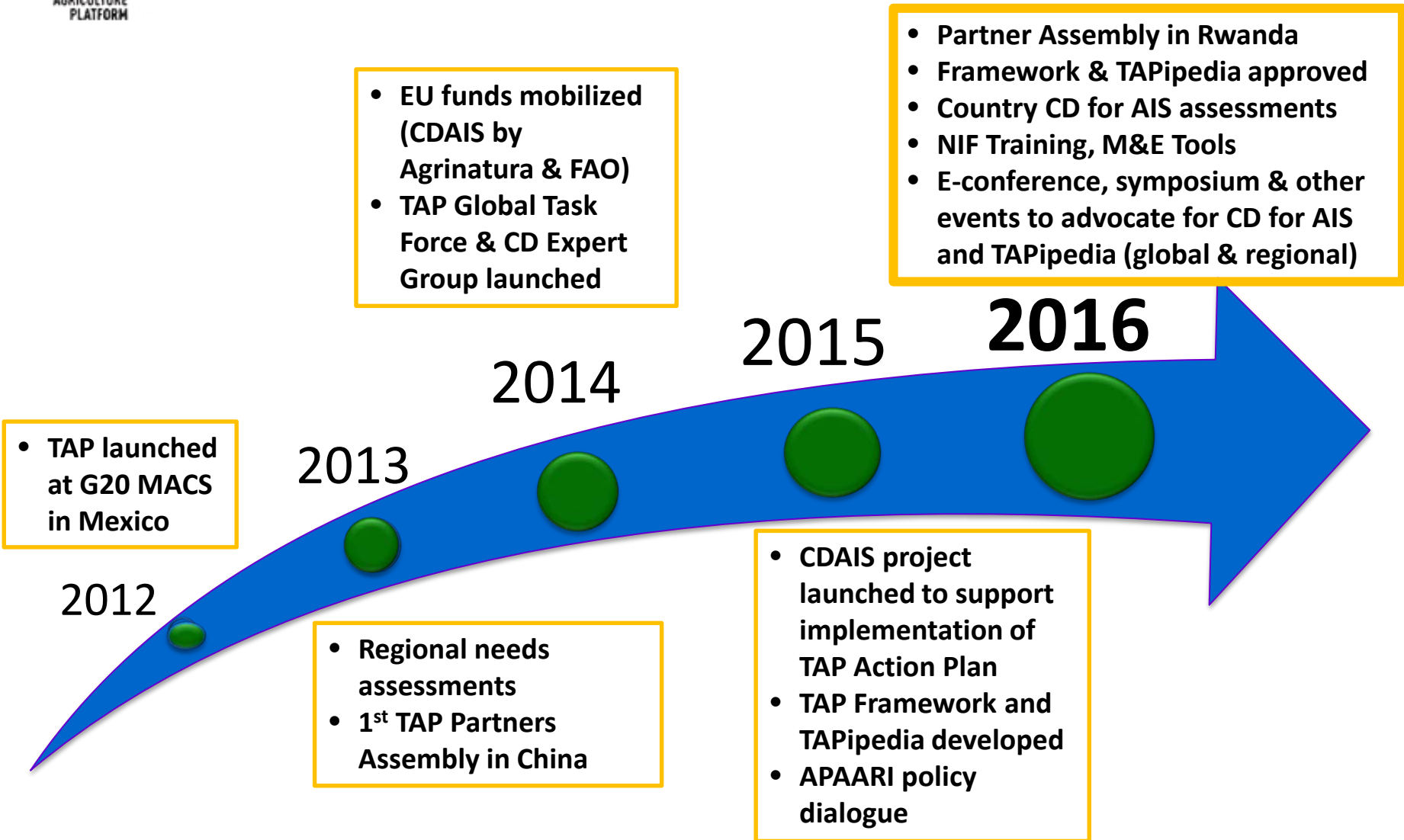


Capacity needs in the Tropics: the G20 establishes TAP

- Low income countries, mainly located in the tropics, often **lack capacities to support agricultural innovation**;
- To address this gap, the G20 launched the **Tropical Agriculture Platform**;
- With more than **40 partners**, TAP is a multilateral facilitation mechanism that promotes **greater coherence and impact** of CD for AIS;
- The **TAP Action Plan** was developed in 2013, based on **regional needs assessments** (CIAT, FARA, SEARCA) carried out;
- Since 2015, the TAP Action Plan is supported by the EU-funded Capacity Development for Agricultural Innovation Systems (**CDAIS**) project.



Major milestones



Partners





Framework

1. **Review Report: Review of existing resources on CD for AIS**
2. **Conceptual Background: Theory, concepts, principles, definitions**
3. **Synthesis: Summary of Conceptual Background**
4. **Guidance Note on Operationalization: Approaches and tools**

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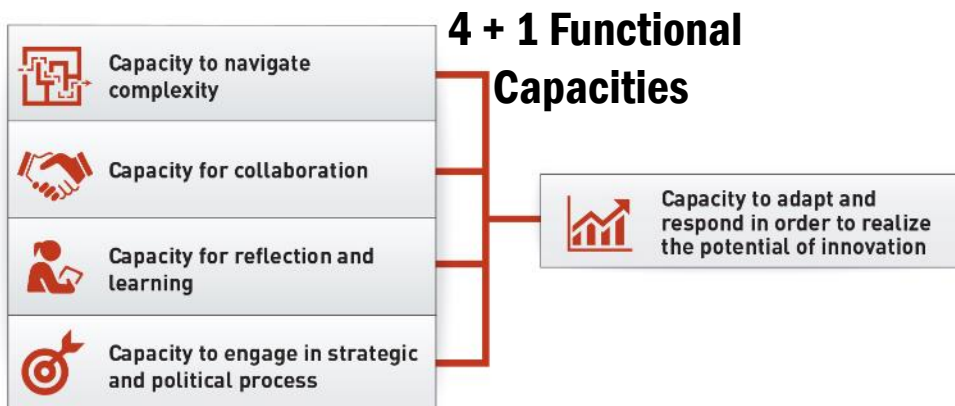
The TAP Framework

The Common Framework on CD for AIS

- Promotes a shift of mind-set and attitudes;
- Provides concepts, principles, approaches and tools to
 - better understand the AIS architecture
 - assess CD needs
 - plan and implement CD interventions
 - monitor and evaluate CD interventions
- Puts focus on facilitation, learning, documentation and knowledge management for enabling innovation



3 CD Dimensions





CDAIS Project

Making agricultural innovation systems more effective and sustainable in meeting the demands of farmers, agri-business and consumers.



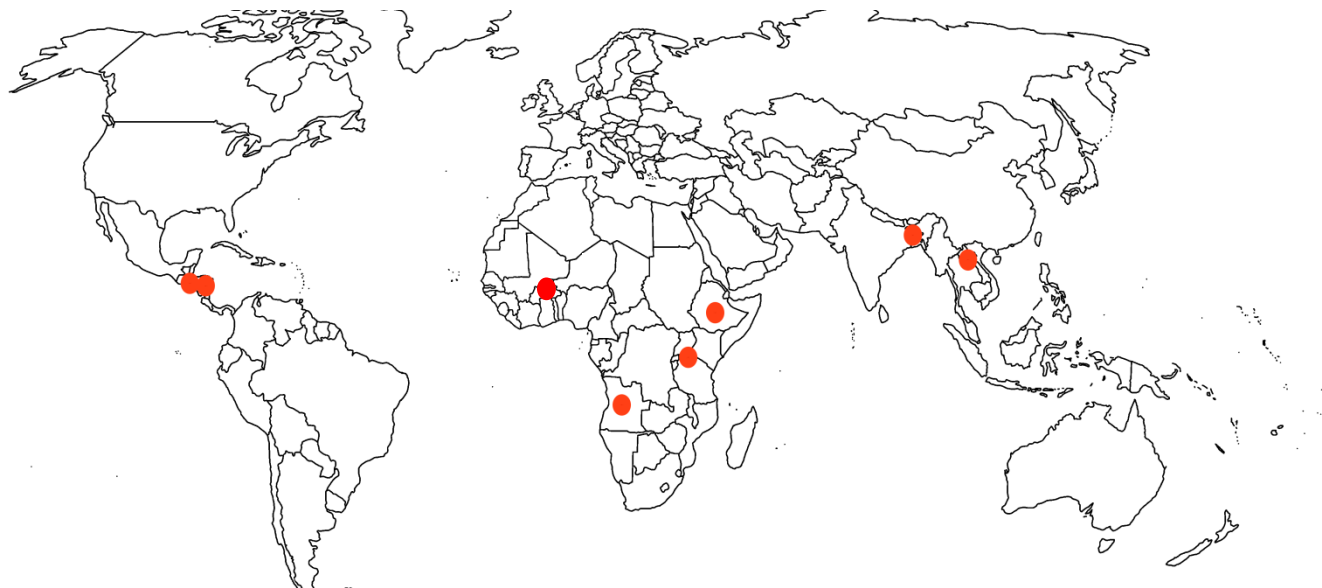
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8 pilot countries



Africa: Angola, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Rwanda

Asia: Bangladesh, Laos

Latin America: Guatemala, Honduras

Participatory CD needs assessments and CD design in 8 countries



→ Toolbox

INCEPTION WORKSHOPS & CONSULTATIONS

NEEDS AND BASELINE ASSESSMENTS



MARKETPLACES

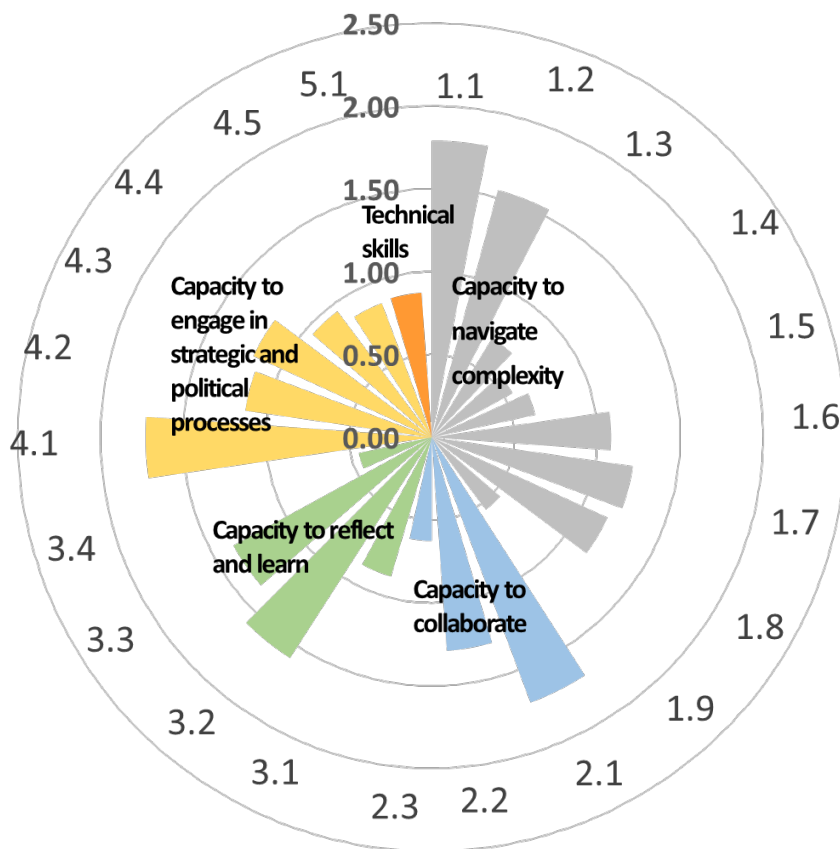


→ Training Manual

FACILITATOR TRAINING

Assessment Results

Capacity Assessment – Profile, Cassava Innovation Partnership Rwanda



- 1.1 – Skills to understand and solve problems;
- 1.2 – Management skills;
- 1.3 – Access to and mobilization of resources;
- 1.4 – Sharing of information within the group;
- 1.6 – Utilization of local knowledge;
- 1.7 – Informed decision-making;
- 1.8 – Idea where the group wants to be in the future;
- 1.9 – Strategy plan to achieve idea for the future;
- 2.1 – Cooperation among actors in the group;
- 2.2 – Representation of stakeholders in group coordination;
- 2.3 – Incentives for networking and partnering;
- 3.1 – Joint learning and experimentation;
- 3.2 – Training covering multi-stakeholder innovation processes;
- 3.3 – Understanding of knowledge flows;
- 3.4 – Documentation and monitoring processes;
- 4.1 – Role and responsibilities of leader;
- 4.2 – Awareness of agricultural development issues;
- 4.3 – Awareness of opportunities for policy change;
- 4.4 – Influence on decision-making processes;
- 4.5 – Effectiveness of communication channels;
- 5.1 – Technical skills.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

<http://www.fao.org/in-action/tropical-agriculture-platform/en/>

<http://www.tapipedia.org/>