

Rome-based Agency Collaboration

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RBA collaboration – four pillars

2009 document “Directions for Collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies”

Four pillars of RBA collaboration:

- a) Policy advice, knowledge and monitoring;
- b) Operations;
- c) Advocacy and communication;
- d) Administration.



Latest on RBA collaboration



2015 document “Update on Collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies – a WFP Perspective”

Key achievements and initiatives:

1. Regular dialogue between RBA Principals and Senior Management;
2. Enhanced coordination in global initiatives for food security, nutrition and sustainable agriculture;
3. Committee on World Food Security (CFS);
4. Improved dialogue and coordination in nutrition, smallholder productivity, resilience, and food losses and waste;
5. Increased collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies in country level operations.

Key achievements and initiatives



1. Regular dialogue between RBA Principals and Senior Management

5 priority themes for 2015:

- Post-2015 UN Development agenda;
- Food Losses and Waste (FLW);
- Committee on World Food Security (CFS);
- Resilience; and
- Nutrition.

Discussions on RBA shared priority themes for 2016 are currently underway.

2. RBA coordination in global processes

Enhanced coordination in global initiatives and events for food security and nutrition including:

- RBA joint review and analysis of **SDG targets** and technical guidance on the formulation of **indicators**;
- RBA joint think-piece ahead of the **Third Financing for Development Conference in Addis Ababa**; and an RBA event on “Achieving Zero Hunger: The Critical Role of Investments in Social Protection and Agriculture” was organized during the Conference;
- An RBA event “Mobilizing Generation Zero Hunger” was organized at the 70th session of the **UN General Assembly**, New York;
- Various RBA events and activities at **Expo Milano 2015**.

3. Committee on World Food Security (CFS)

The RBAs jointly support the Committee on World Food Security:

- Financial and in-kind contributions;
- CFS Secretariat, Advisory Group, Open-Ended Working Groups, Technical Task Teams (nutrition, smallholders).

Joint achievements include:

1. Endorsement of the “Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems”
2. Policy recommendations on “Food Losses and Waste in the Context of Sustainable Food Systems”
3. Endorsement of the “Framework for Action for Addressing Food Insecurity in Protracted Crises”



Key achievements and initiatives

4. Dialogue and coordination in thematic areas

Examples:

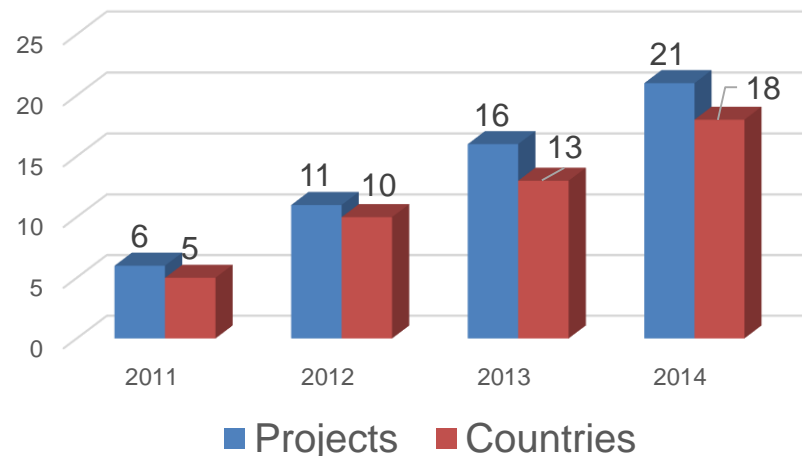
- Second International Conference on Nutrition (ICN2);
- Launch of the Community of Practice on Food Loss Reduction;
- RBA Conceptual Framework “Strengthening Resilience for Food Security and Nutrition”.



Next to the **RBA Conceptual Framework** have been developed joint country case studies for Guatemala, Kenya and Niger, exploring ongoing efforts and future opportunities for greater RBA collaboration on building resilience.

5. Increased collaboration at the country level

- 2014 - RBA collaboration in 21 projects and in 18 countries;
- Main areas - Joint assessments, food assistance, technical assistance and capacity building initiatives, and coordination of the joint clusters;
- RBA collaboration accounts for >20% of WFP's UN collaborations.
- RBA collaboration guidance material for WFP staff developed.

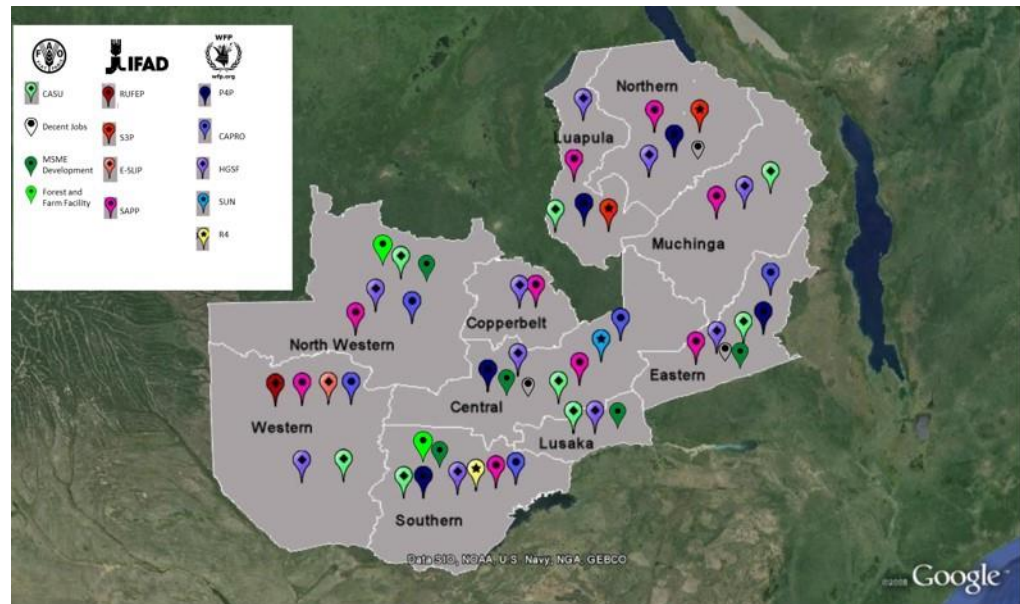


Key achievements and initiatives

5. Country level collaboration continued - Zambia

Major achievements:

- (i) Memorandum of Understanding (MoU);
- (ii) Detailed activity mapping;
- (iii) RBA technical working group.



Side lines WFP Executive Board November 2015: informal briefing showcasing the Zambia example of RBA collaboration with representatives from the three agencies.

Key achievements and initiatives

5. Country level collaboration continued - Kenya

Kenya Cereal Enhancement Programme – Climate Resilient Agricultural Livelihoods Window (KCEP-CRAL)

- From food insecurity to resilience and transformed livelihoods.
- Partnership between the RBAs, the Kenyan Government and the EU.
- RBAs' comparative advantage and complementarity.



WFP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Support farmers graduate from food insecurity to subsistence farmingHH build productive assets & agricultural production skillsHH meet basic food needs through diversified livelihoods approach
IFAD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Support famers graduate from subsistence level to commercial farmingFocus value chains with market potentialASAP Programme- support investments for NRM & resilience climate changeCounty capacity-building
FAO	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Support Farmers and counties throughout graduation processAdoption of Good Agricultural Practices including Conservation AgricultureSupport driven by market opportunities
EU	European Union – Contribution agreement through IFAD & FAO
Key Implementing Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Private Financial InstitutionsKenya Agricultural & Livestock Research InstituteNational Drought Management AuthorityKenya Meteorological ServicesCereal Growers Association

RBA collaboration - Way Forward



- Working together to achieve Zero Hunger and the SDGs;
- Advocating for common goals and targets;
- Continued joint support to the CFS;
- Operationalizing the RBA Resilience Framework;
- Exploring new collaborations –e.g. Financial Inclusion, South South Cooperation, etc...;
- Fostering dialogue at regional and national level; and
- Learning from best practices and challenges.

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