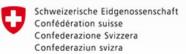


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Developing a National Agricultural Insurance system in Haiti: Challenges of the SYFAAH project

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- A 7-year-project (2011-2018) in 2 phases
- 19M € financed by 3 countries (Canada/Switzerland/France)

3 pillars and 3 executing agencies

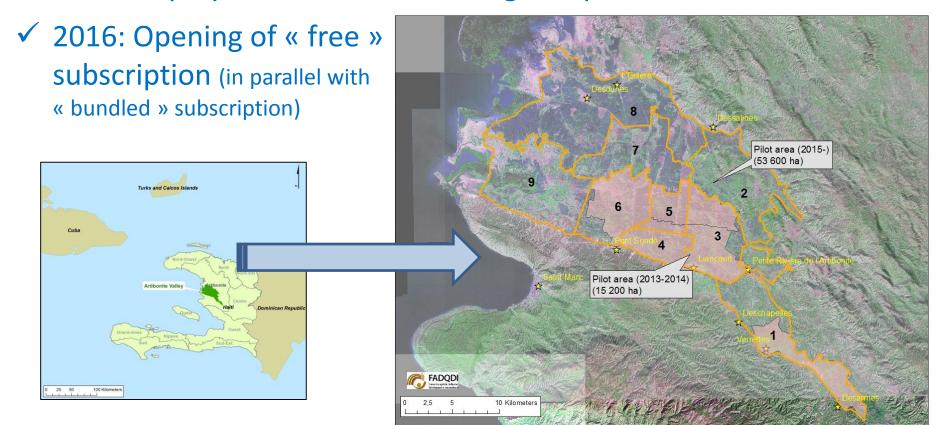


Main goals in crop insurance

- ✓ Preliminary feasibility studies (go-no go)
- ✓ Customized products by crop and region
- ✓ Pilot-scale implementation
- ✓ Deployment and transfer



- ✓ 2012: Feasibility studies and validation workshops
- ✓ 2013: Field data collection and processes testing
- ✓ 2014: Subscription in real mode, limited area (15 200 ha)
- ✓ 2015: Deployment in the entire irrigated perimeter (53 600 ha)



- Area-yield index program (9 insurance sectors)
- Crop and region specific (rice in the Artibonite valley irrigated perimeter)
- General coverage for climatic and natural risks
- Guarantee rate: 85% (deductible: 15%)
- Unit cost= production cost (± 770 €/ha)
- Premium = 3,8% x insured value (± 25 €/ha)



Randman ki posib pou chak zòn pou yon kawo tè

(kg/kawo tè)

Zòn	TCS10	Chela
1	6 348	4 069
2	6 242	4 069
3	6 757	4 044
4	7 179	4 231
5	6 242	3 940
6	5 872	4 073
7	6 471	4 069
8	6 396	4 069
9	6 396	4 069

Operational setup (Subscription)



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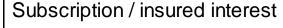
Cropping season planning

- Expected yields calculation
- Production costs updating
 - Premium rate updating



Program One-pager





- Subscription forms filling (digital)
 - Main parcel location (GPS)
 - Premium payment





- Producer and crop data
 - Financial data
 - XY data



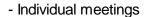
- Subscription certificates
- Subscribers Database
- ArcGIS Database





Communication / Information

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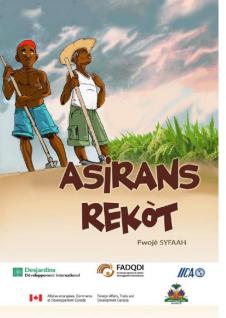


- Small group meeting
- Communication material distribution



- Communication reports







SYFAAH + 3rd-party Lab

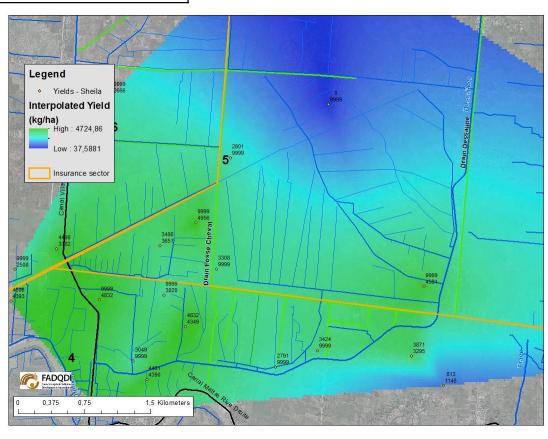
Crop yield assessment

- Gathering declared yields (SYFAAH)
 - Sampling actual yields (3rd party)
 - Actual yields calculation / sector



- Yield reports
- Point yield maps
- Raster yield maps





Operational setup (compensation)



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Compensation

- Gross yield losses / sector
- Payable yield losses / sector
- Payable compensation / producer



- Global payment slip
- Individual payment slip
- Compensation



Compensation

- Credit balance payment
- Residual compensation payment



- Compensation report (to SYFAAH)



TABLEAU 1 RENDEMENTS PROBABLES ET RENDEMENTS RÉELS (KG/HA), PERTES BRUTE ET INDEMNISABLE, PAR SECTEUR ET POUR LE TYPE TCS10, LORS DE 2015-C1

Secteur d'assurance	Rendement probable (kg/ha)	Rendement réel (kg/ha)	Perte brute (%)	Perte indemnisable (%)
1	4 921	3 411	30,68	15,68
2	4 839	3 458	28,54	13,54
3	5 238	4 827	7,85	-
4	5 565	2 933	47,30	32,30
5	4 839	2 148	55,61	40,61
6	4 552	4 351	4,42	-
7	5 016	5 028	-	-
8	4 958	3 653	26,32	11,32
9	4 958	3 867	22,00	7,00

Business model sustainability (1)

Crop insurance cost allocation scenarios for the 2014-2019 transient period

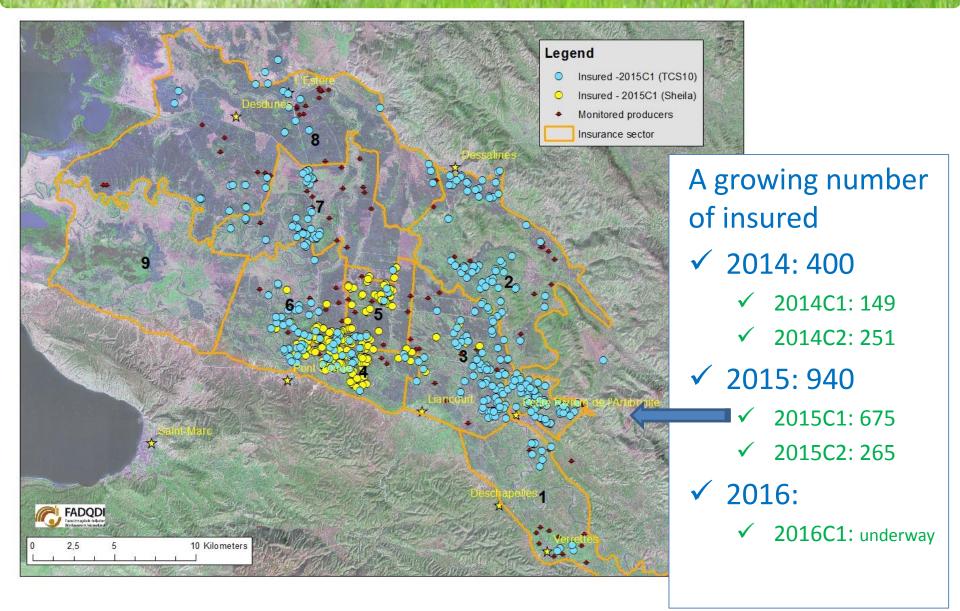
Scenario / units	Cost allocation - risk premium -		Cost allocation - Administration -		(Cost allocation - Global -		
	Farmers	GovH&Partners	Farmers	GovH&Partners	Farmers	GovH&Partners	Total (1)	
Scenario A (risk pre	mium @ 3,8	%; global sha	aring with F	Producers (2	0%) / GovH&	partners (80%	%))	
(%)	50%	50%	0%	100%	20%	80%	100%	
(HTG/ha)	840	840	C	2 600	840	3 440	4 280	
(€/ha)	12	12	C	37	12	49	61	
Scenario B (risk pred (%) (HTG/ha)	mium @ 3,8 100% 1 680	%; global sha 0% 0	aring with F 0%	100%	0%) / GovH& _/ 40% 1 680	60%	100% 4 280	
(€/ha)	24	0	C	37	24	37	61	
Scenario C (global p	remium @ 9	9,7%; global s	sharing wit	h Producers	(50%) / GovH	H&partners (50%))	
(%)	50%	50%		50%	50%	100%		
(HTG/ha)	2 144	2 144	Included in a global premium		2 144	2 144	4 287	
(€/ha)	31	31			31	31	61	

^{(1):} Mean costs for a 6-year transition period with 400 insured farmers during year 1 and 7000 insured farmers on year 6

Key challenges of the business model

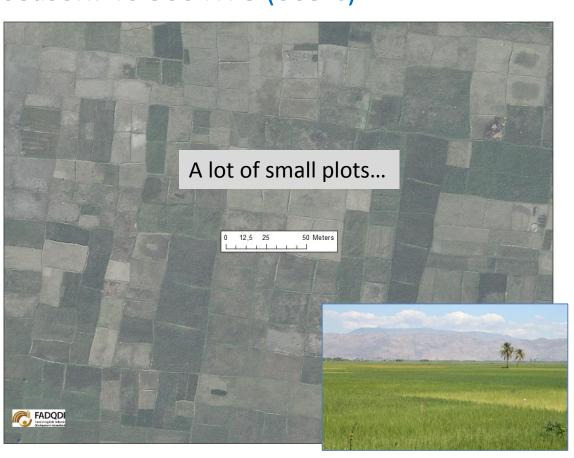
- ✓ Defining a suitable public-private partnership (PPP) structure
 - ✓ Private insurers must have a leading role in the PPP structure
 - ✓ Haitian government must put in place other structural measures in rural areas (technical assistance, irrigation&drainage facilities, cadastre, etc.)
 - ✓ Haitian government must develop a proper business environment for insurance companies (ex.: detaxation of crop insurance)
- ✓ Insuring mid-term financial commitment by the Haitian Government and/or their international partners
 - ✓ A strong international involvement at the beginning with a gradual withdrawal strategy
- ✓ Setting up a relevant legal environment in insurance in general and crop insurance in particular
 - ✓ Support legal agencies in their laws and regulation initiatives

Results and outlook (1)



General profile of insured farmers

- ✓ Total area in rice: 1,1 ha/farmer (range from 0,2 to 5 ha)
- ✓ Mean loan by growing season: 46 500 HTG (665 €)
- ✓ Land ownership
 - > Owner: 21%
 - ➤ Leaseholder: 57%
 - Occupant: 22%



Any mesurable impact so far?

- ✓ Limited historic background: only 4 growing seasons completed
- ✓ Compensation in 2015C1= 2 times all premiums payed during 2014C1, 2014C2 and 2015C1
 - ➤ Will keep producers bankable
- ✓ No upward trends noticed so far in cultivated areas, loan values, etc.
- ✓ Difficult to pinpoint actual impact of crop insurance in a multifactorial environment (credit, technical assistance, other local development projects, etc.)

- ✓ Information/communication is a key issue for implementing a crop insurance mechanism in Haiti
 - ✓ Low insurance literacy in Haiti
 - ✓ Mixed expectations and undestanding by farmers about credit, insurance and technical assistance
 - ✓ Rapid spreadout of information, true or false
- ✓ The tortoise wins the race: crop insurance is a longterm proposal
 - ✓ Understanding the risk (region and crop specific)
 - ✓ Developing strong partnerships
 - ✓ Implementing efficient administrative processes





- ✓ Insurance programs should ultimately be demand-driven.
- ✓ Benefits of crop insurance must be well explained and vulgarized
- ✓ A bound of trust has to be developed between the insurer and farmers
- ✓ Insurance will have to be complemented with other risk mitigation actions
 - ✓ Maintenance of irrigation and drainage networks by the Ministry of Agriculture
 - ✓ Access to credit and technical assistance for small farmers
 - ✓ Implementation of a true cadastral system



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