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#### 3 Primary Pathways for Smallholder Farmers (SHFs) to Irrigate:

- 1. Government & donor-funded irrigation: a farmer is part of a group getting access to irrigation through large, managed irrigation schemes, such as the Kagitumba, Matimba, & Hinga Weze projects.
- 2. Small-Scale Irrigation Technology (SSIT) program: a farmer purchases and owns a manual, diesel, petrol, or solar pump subsidized by the government.
- 3. Other pathways: a farmer purchases an unsubsidized new or used pump or rents a pump from a retailer or neighbor.

#### RESEARCH & HIGHER EDUCATION

University of Rwanda-CAVM Integrated Polytechnic Regional College (IPRC) Rwanda Institute for Conservation Agriculture (RICA) Daugherty Water for Food Global Institute (DWFI) International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

#### **EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS WITH** WHOLESALE & RETAIL NETWORKS

Large-scale Irrigation:

Valmont Industries, Jain Irrigation, Lindsay Corporation, Netafim, Rivulis Irrigation Ltd.

Small-scale Irrigation:

Davis & Shirtliff, KOSHIN Ltd., Honda, Vlais Industrial Co. Ltd., LORENTZ, KickStart International, Sonatubes Ltd.

#### RWANDA DEVELOPMENT BANKS & FUNDS

Development Bank of Rwanda Rwanda Green Fund - FONERWA Business Development Fund (BDF)

#### **MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS & FOREIGN GOVERNMENT AID ORGANIZATIONS**

International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO) International Finance Corporation (IFC) World Food Program (WFP) The World Bank

# RWANDA SMALLHOLDER IRRIGATION **ECOSYSTEM MAP**



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# Aggregators

Hinga Weze European Cooperative for Rural Development (EUCORD) Clinton Development Initiative (CDI) Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA)



# Agronomic Decision Support

HoReCo Rwanda Youth Engagement in Agriculture Network (YEAN)

Rwanda Youth Agribusiness Forum (RYAF) Seed Technology Engineering and Science (STES) Group Ltd.





#### **Equipment Retailers**

ETC Agro Tractors & Implements Pro Water Rwanda Ltd.

INTERTECH

Innovatechs Ltd.

Enterprise de Construction Mixte (ECM)

Water Energy Center

Holland Greentech Ltd.

Ignite Power Rwanda Ltd.

Open Construction & Related Services Ltd.

Nikki Production Ltd.

General Consultancy & Trading Company (GCTC) Ltd. Overseas Logistics General Services Ltd.

SOCOSE Ltd.

V&D General Trading Ltd.



## Government Extension & Advocacy

Sector Agronomist District Agronomist

Small-scale Irrigation Technology Engineer



# Banking & Finance

World Vision SNV Rwanda Oxfam - Duterimbere Bank of Kigali KCB Bank Rwanda Ltd. (KCB Group) Equity Bank Rwanda Ltd. (Equity Group) **Umurenge SACCO** COPEDU PLC Urwego Bank



# Upstream & Downstream Supply Chain Partners

One Acre Fund Palladium Inades-Formation Rwanda Rural Rehabilitation Initiative (RWARRI)

#### **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Ministry of Local Government (MINALOC) Rwanda Agriculture and Animal Resources Development Board (RAB)

Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources (MINAGRI) National Agricultural Export Development Board (NAEB) Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA) Rwanda Water Resources Board (RWRB)

**OPERATION & MAINTENANCE ON** 

# **GOVERNMENT PROJECTS**

Rural and Civil Engineer Consultants Ltd. (RCEC) CIMA International Inc.







Small-Scale Irrigation Technology (SSIT) Subsidy Program

- Qualifications: Smallholders with 1-10 hectares.
- **Subsidy**: Government pays 50-75% of equipment cost. Subsidized equipment is sold through approved retailers only.
- Outreach: SSIT agronomists and engineers assist farmers.





Small-Scale Irrigation Technology (SSIT) Subsidy Program

- Successes: affordability, more first-time irrigators, more irrigated area
- Areas for improvement: not necessarily targeted to the poorest farmers, supply doesn't always meet demand, relatively few approved retailers benefit while other irrigation entrepreneurs do not

# Learn More

Report: Mapping and analysis of the business ecosystem for smallholder irrigation in Rwanda



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