



Multi-stakeholder dialogues: An interactive learning platform for FLID

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Why multistakeholder dialogues?

The farmer-led irrigation development multi-stakeholder dialogue (FLID-MSD) is needed for stakeholders to come together to address common challenges:

- competing stakeholder priorities
- lack of synergy in SSI interventions
- lack of coordination among sectors and programs
- limited innovation scaling efforts
- limited information flow and cross-sector learning
- lack of consolidated efforts and stakeholders front to contribute to policy direction



MSDs: Conceptualization



MSDs: Operationalization

The planning and implementation of MSDs are based on three clusters of activities:

- **Regular activities:** Regular meetings, exchange, and updates; annual planning; periodic events; communication activities
- **Strategic activities:** Strategic planning; situational analysis and reflection; capacity development; strategic investment; strategic events
- **Issue-based activities:** developing ideas into innovation; scaling partnerships; policy influence missions



Ghana: Key Learnings

Issue-based MSDs have been organized in Ghana since 2019 to accelerate FLID:

- An enabling environment is key for accelerating FLID interventions
- Implementers must manage multiple stakeholder interests to be effective
- Co-creating solutions with farmers at the center helps implementers to develop suitable business models
- Value chain/market approaches offer sustainable options for catalyzing FLID
- MSD enables collaboration and partnerships to address common problems
- Irrigation solutions must be climate-smart to be relevant
- Innovation bundles help to address context-specific FLID challenges in a sustainable manner
- There is the growing need for developing irrigation solutions for emerging areas such as cocoa



Ethiopia: Key Learnings

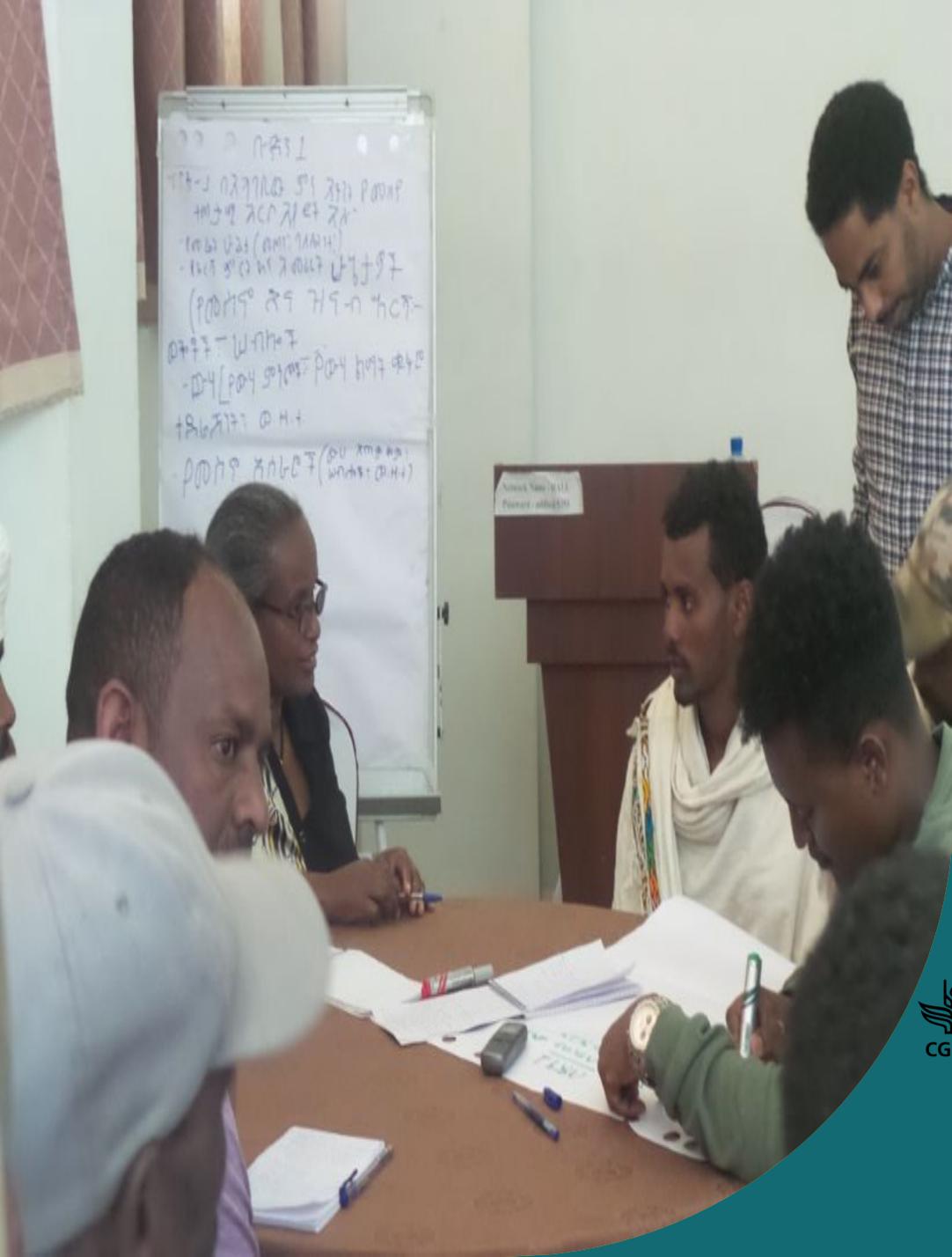
Overview of MSD process and actors

Six MSDs co-organized:

- **Unnecessary to re-invent** the wheel or new platforms
- **Engaging with existing MSD processes** and dialogues is essential to leverage resources and enhancing sustainability
- **Key issues** encompass SSI policy, innovations, private sector engagement and investment, enabling environment, sustainable finance



- Effective **private sector engagement** is and should be a critical component of the AWM agenda
- **Leveraging** based on common agendas and concerns is an effective engaging mechanism
- **Co-funding and co-designing** dialogue events is an operational mechanism for capacity development and sustainability
- **Knowledge brokering and technical support** is a relational mechanism to engage with private sector-led dialogues



Thank you

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