



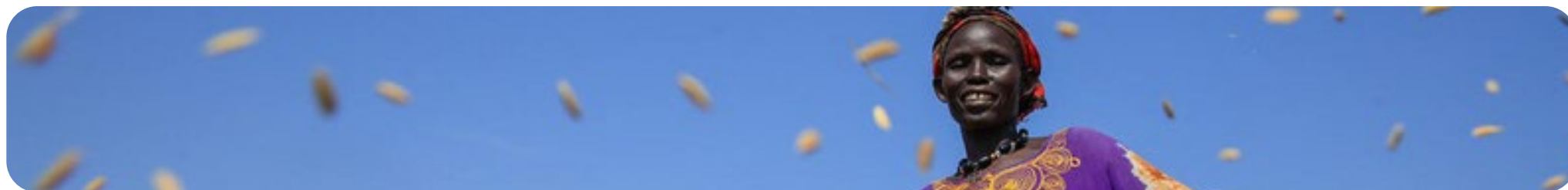
Hand-in-Hand  
Initiative  
Investment Forum



The Hand-in-Hand (HIH) Initiative supports governments in developing and implementing sustainable agrifood investment programs aimed at transforming their agrifood systems to address poverty (SDG1), hunger and malnutrition (SDG2), and inequality (SDG10). This Initiative reaches its culmination with the annual Hand-in-Hand Initiative Investment Forum, hosted at FAO Headquarters every October as part of the World Food Forum. The Investment Forum serves as a platform for governments to present their

investment opportunities to impact investors, multilateral development banks, foundations, the private sector, donors, and other development partners. Additionally, it facilitates one-on-one dialogues between investors and governments, fostering the advancement of sustainable agrifood investment opportunities. Through the HIH Initiative Investment Forum, FAO proudly promotes increased investment in agrifood system transformation to achieve the goals outlined in the 2030 Agenda.

## LIST OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES AND REGIONAL INITIATIVES 2026



#	COUNTRY	INVESTMENT AREAS	AFRICA – RAF
1	Angola	Avocado, palm oil and coffee	
2	Benin	Rice, soybean and poultry	
3	Cabo Verde (SIDS)	Fisheries	
4	Djibouti	Vegetables, dates, aquaculture, meat slaughterhouse and fodder production (tbc)	
5	Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)	Maize, coffee, cocoa, poultry and aquaculture	
6	Eswatini	Food processing facility, aquaculture production, grain production and seed multiplication facility	
7	Ethiopia	Mechanization of small holder agriculture, animal feed production and ranch development	
8	Ghana	Cassava, poultry, rice and soybean	
9	Kenya	Coffee	
10	Liberia	Rice, cassava, maize and cocoa	

11	<b>Madagascar</b>	Rice, maize, soybean, onions, red meat - six special economic zones on rice, maize, soybean, market gardens and fodder
12	<b>Malawi</b>	Aquaculture, honey and chilli
13	<b>Mozambique</b>	Rice
14	<b>Nigeria</b>	(tentative) Ginger, red meat, cassava, tomato, maize, dairy and aquaculture
15	<b>Rwanda</b>	Tea, small livestock, coffee, Irish potato and avocado
16	<b>Sierra Leone</b>	Rice, poultry, cassava and palm oil
17	<b>Uganda</b>	Hides, Skins & Leather Facilities, one-stop and mechanization centres, dairy processing facilities, animal feed facilities, maize processing facilities
18	<b>Zambia</b>	Soybean, beef, honey and beans
19	<b>Zimbabwe</b>	Irrigation, mechanization, horticulture, aquaculture



**ASIA AND THE PACIFIC – RAP**

#	COUNTRY	INVESTMENT AREAS
1	<b>Fiji</b>	Coconut, cocoa, pineapple and breadfruit
2	<b>Mongolia</b>	Meat, sheep wool, cashmere, camel milk, seabuckthorn
3	<b>Nepal</b>	Large cardamom, sichuan pepper, highland potato, pangasius fish, yak cheese, orange, ginger, mountain wild honey
4	<b>Pakistan</b>	Olives and dairy
5	<b>The Philippines</b>	Coffee, cacao, bamboo and jackfruit
6	<b>Sri Lanka</b>	Cinnamon extract, sea cucumber, coffee and black pepper
7	<b>Tonga</b>	Kava, taro and ginger



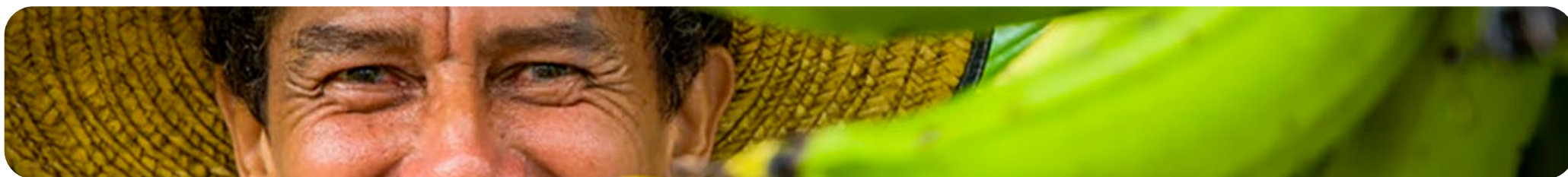
**NEAR EAST AND NORTH AFRICA**

#	COUNTRY	INVESTMENT AREAS
1	<b>Jordan</b>	Horticulture, stone fruits and citrus





#	COUNTRY	INVESTMENT AREAS	EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA – REU
1	Tajikistan	Apricot Center, Large-scale pasture restoration, Innovative horticulture, Centers of excellence for citrus and viticulture, Diversification of livestock in high-altitude regions (yak, fish, rabbit), Development of agricultural services and digitalization	



#	COUNTRY	INVESTMENT AREAS	LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN – RLC
1	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Cocoa, asai (açai) and regenerative livestock	
2	Chile	TBD	
3	Colombia	Sustainable livestock and agro-industrial processes Integrated agro-industrial, logistics and commercialization hub for smallholder agricultural value chains	
4	Cuba	Coffee and honey	
5	Ecuador	Regenerative livestock, fisheries (tuna) and cocoa	
6	El Salvador	Coffee	
7	Guatemala	Coffee and cocoa	
8	Haiti	SPECIAL EVENT - Investment program built around three pathways: export recovery (mango), resilient staples (cassava) and domestic fruit and vegetable markets	





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1	<b>Amazonia</b> 8 countries: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname and Venezuela	Traceability in non-timber forest products	
2	<b>African SIDS</b> 5 countries in Indian Ocean: Union of the Comoros, Mauritius, Seychelle + la Reunion + Madagascar: Indian Ocean Commission states 3 countries in Atlantic ocean: Cabo Verde, Guinea Bissau, Sao Tome and Principe (Community of Portuguese speaking states)	Integrated value chain development, blue transformation, science technology and innovation pilots and scale-up, market and trade integration	
3	<b>Dry Corridor</b> 8 countries: Belize, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama	Micro-, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and digital ecosystems for access to markets	
4	<b>Pacific Islands (SIDS)</b> 12 countries: Fiji, Samoa, Tonga, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Nauru, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, Palau, and Papua New Guinea	Biosecurity and pest management Value chain infrastructure (taro, coconut and fishery) digitalization, certification and traceability (GI)	
5	<b>Southern Africa</b> 11 countries: Angola, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe	Irrigation (Public investment into community small reservoirs, private sector investment solar pumps), mechanization hire service hubs, agroprocessing, seeds, market integration and trade	