



# MAFAP 2014-2019

## Monitoring and Analysing Food and Agricultural Policies

### ↗ Background

An enabling policy environment is a key element for agricultural development, food security and poverty reduction in developing countries. However, government policy analysts and decision makers often lack the capacity to generate reliable evidence of the impact of their policies on value chain actors, from farmers to consumers. Therefore, government policies and the effects they generate are often inconsistent with overarching food security and agricultural development goals.

Since 2009, MAFAP successfully partnered with government institutions and research organizations in several developing countries, to create policy monitoring systems and carry out a consistent set of policy and public expenditure analyses across a wide range of agricultural value chains.

Over the next five years, MAFAP will build on the partnerships and evidence created to support governments to reform food and agricultural policies that are currently constraining agricultural development, especially for smallholders.

### What's new

MAFAP supports Governments to identify, articulate and assess options for reforming food and agricultural policies. The programme has four objectives:

- ↗ Collect, assemble and use targeted and policy-relevant data, including prices, market access costs and public expenditure in support of the food and agricultural sector, as well as policy decisions.
- ↗ Consolidate and strengthen national policy monitoring systems to measure policy effects and identify current policy 'problems' that affect the competitiveness of agricultural producers.
- ↗ Articulate policy options and assess respective ex-post and ex-ante analysis to support suitable government reforms.
- ↗ Engage national stakeholders and development partners in policy dialogue, as part of a more inclusive policy reform process.

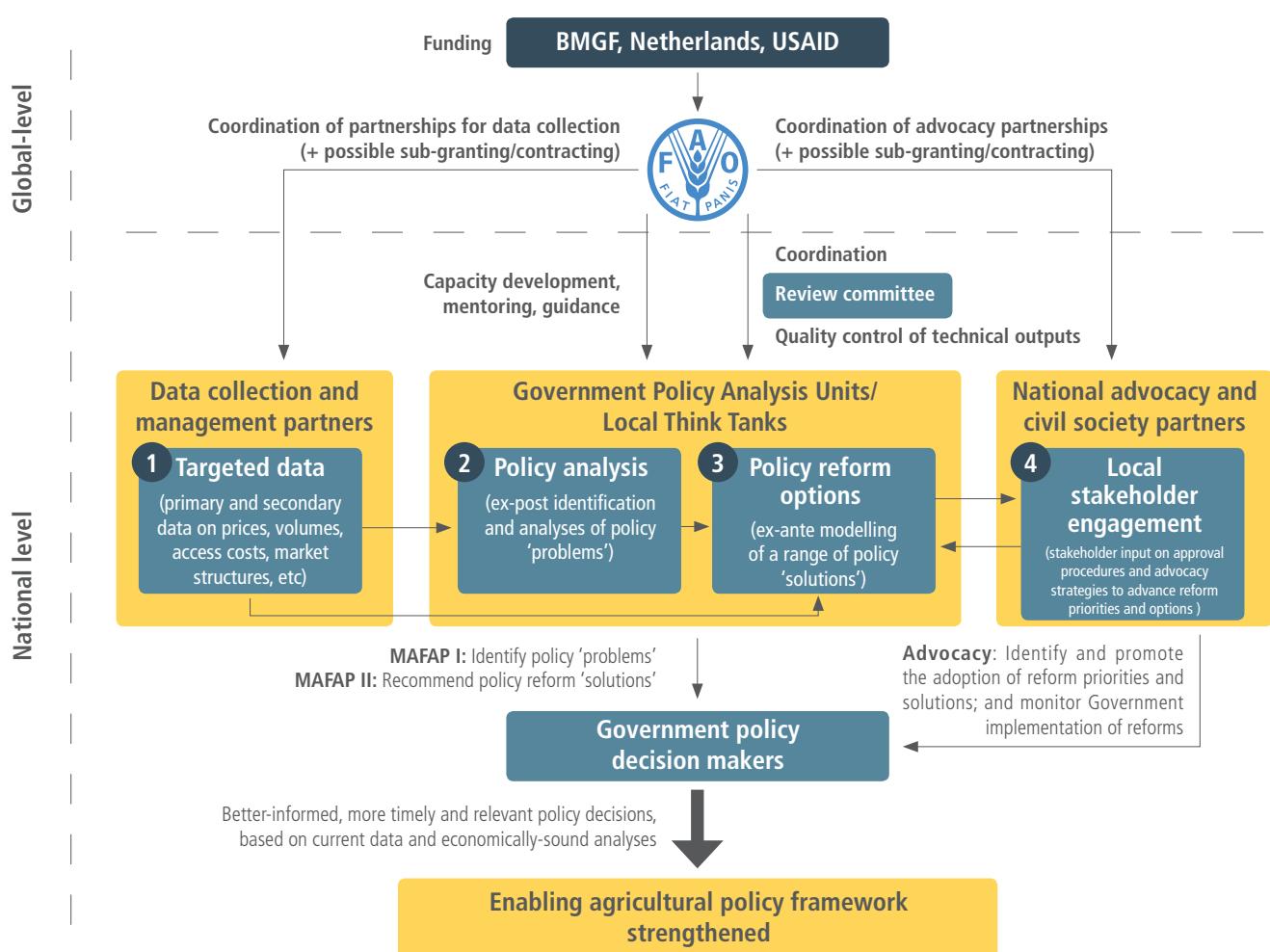


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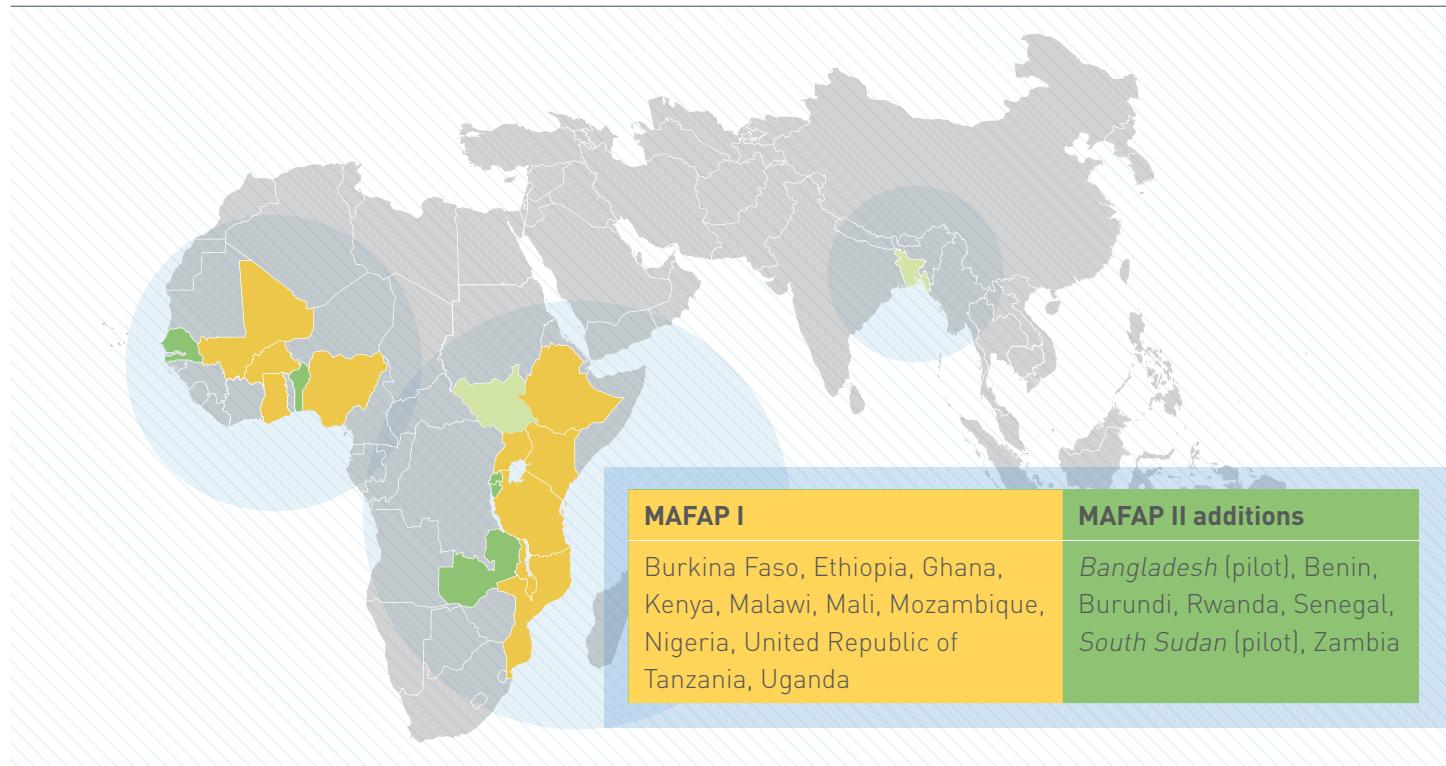


**Duration:** **5 years (2014 - 2019)**

OVERVIEW OF MAFAP OBJECTIVES AND THEORY OF CHANGE



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