Launch workshop of the Global Soil Partnership in Eastern-Southern Africa

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BURUNDI

- **Area : 27,834 KM^2**
- **Density : 8.1 millions**
- **Provinces : 16**
- **Communes : 129**
- **Cultivable area : about 3 millions ha**
- **Cultivable area with a PH below 5 : 1 000 000 ha**

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Statut of burundian soil

Majority of land lost their fertility;

Because:

1. **Soil degradation (soil erosion, fire ….)**
2. **Not enough knowledge and expertise in soil management**
3. **Unsustainable practise**
4. **Underusing fertilizers and organic matter**

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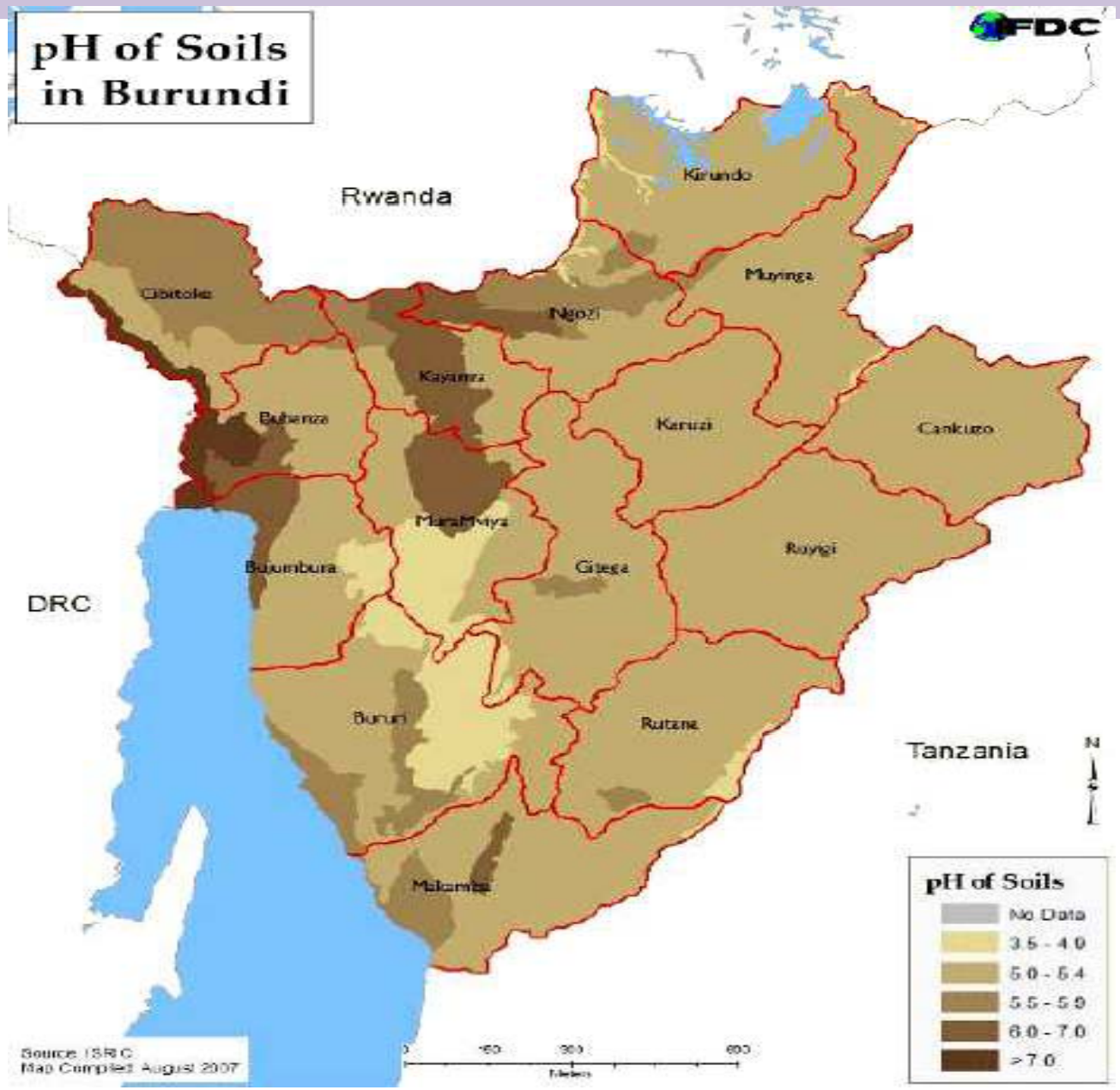
pH of Soils
in Burundi
FDC
Rwanda
Kirundo
Muyinga
Ngozi
Cibitoke
Kayanza
Bubanza
Kirundo
Cankuzo
MuramVya
Bujumbura
Gitega
Ruyigi
DRC
Bururi
Rutana
Tanzania
N
Makamba
Source: ISRC
Map Compiled August 2007
pH of Soils
No Data
3.5 - 4.9
5.0 - 5.4
5.5 - 5.9
6.0 - 7.0
>7.0

Ressources and feedstocks of Burundi

- For mineral fertilizers, there have been no studies yet of feasibility (phosphate of Matongo)
- **All mineral fertilizers used in Burundi are imported from outside through tenders**

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Types of mineral fertilizers used in Burundi

- DAP, 18-46-0 veron beans, corn, wheat and potatoes;…
- Urea, 46% on rice and coffee,…
- KCl 60% P2O5 on the patatoes, palm,…
- NPK on tea, cotton and tobacco,…
- TSP 45% P2O5 of sugar cane,…

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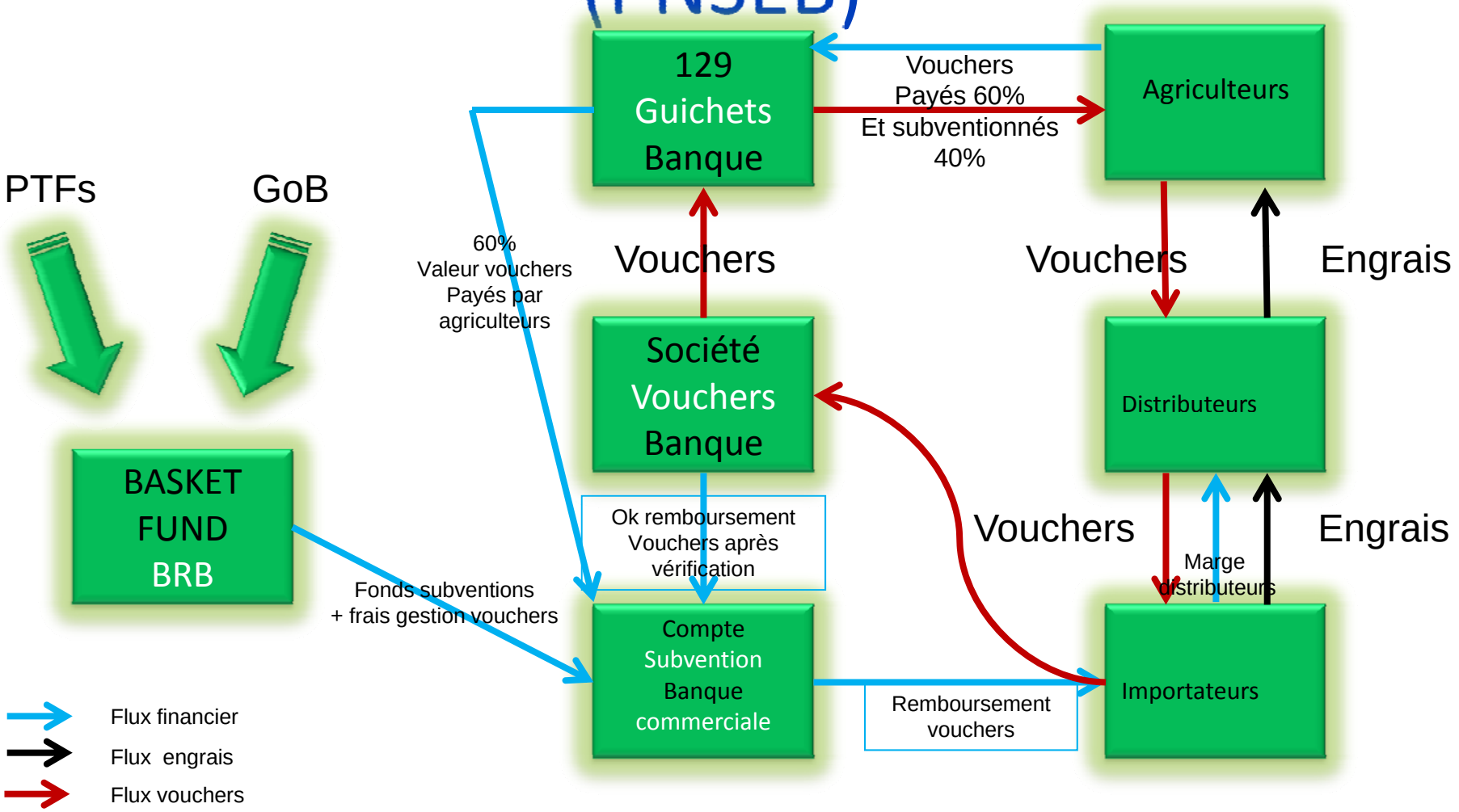
To make available the fertilizers (PNSEB)



Agricultural liming

- **For agricultural liming, our country has the fertilizer raw materials in a good quantity and quality**
- **Unfortunately, these raw materials deposits are not yet well developed: investors not well advanced in this area**

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Agricultural liming

- **Studies by the Institute of Agronomic Sciences of Burundi (ISABU) in search of carbonate rocks have revealed four genetic units:**

1. **The dolomitic rocks of Moso**
2. **The dolomitic marbles of Bubanza and Gasenyi**
3. **The travertine of Imbo North + Busiga**
4. **The carbonatites of Matongo**

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A. The dolomitic rocks of Moso

1. Chemical composition

* Cao : 26-30%

* MgO : 18-22%

* $Fe_2O_3 + Al_2O_3 + Si0_2$: 5%

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2. Volume of reserves

- **Murama : 300 000T**
- **Busiga : 250 000T**
- **Bukemba : 100 000T**
- **Kibonobono : 500 000T**
- **Gihofi : 60 000T**
- **Butare : 200 000T**
- **Kibizi : 15 000T**
- **Shaka-Makaronkwe : 50 000T**

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B. The dolomitic marbles Bubanza and Gasenyi

1. Chemical composition :

* Cao : 29%

* MgO : 21%

2. Volume of Reserves :

* Marble Gasenyi : 25 000T

* Marble Bubanza : Not evaluated

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C. The travertine of the North and Imbo Busiga

1. Chemical composition

* Cao : 40%

* Mg : 3%

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2.Volume of reserves

1) Rugombo III : 624 000T
2) Rugombo V : 560 000T
3) Cibitoke VIII : 230 000 T
4) Cibitoke IX : 208 000T
5) Gasenyi : 87 000 T
6) Busiga : 60 000 T
7) Gihungwa : <500 000T

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C. The carbonatite Matongo

- **1. Chemical composition**

  * **CaO : 45.19% average**

  * **P_2O_5 : 1.66%**

  * **Fe_2O_3 : 3.06%**

  2. Volume of reserves: 816 000T

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Potential market of liming

- **The needs exist and the market is very attractive:**

  *** 1,000,000 ha with pH <5**

  *** Recommended dose: 3T/ha every 3 years or 1T/ha/an full broadcast application**

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Potential market of liming

- **Market Potential quantity: 1,000,000 ha**
- **1T/ha/year x1,000,000ha = 1,000,000 T / year**

Potential market turnover:

1,000,000 t / year x 250,000 FBU/ T =

250 billion FBU / year

Or $ 209 million / year

Or € 149.3 million / year

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Production status

1. NEED:
1 000 000T/year

Problem

2. Production:
4 producters
3600T (2010/2011) only

3. Volume of reserve:
850 tons millions

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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