The Practice of Responsible Agricultural Investment Principles in Larger-Scale Agricultural Investments

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Research method and objectives

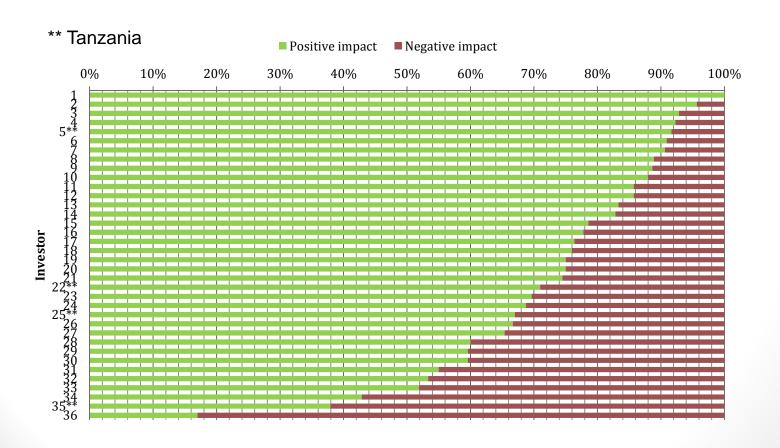
- Detailed primary field research on 39 mature agribusinesses, across Africa and South East Asia.
- In-depth interviews with investors and 550 stakeholders.
- Investigate what investors are doing to promote economic, social and environmental gains and sustainability; and
- How communities and other stakeholders living around the investment perceive and are affected by it.
- → Lessons for which business models, actions and behaviour by investors, governments, local communities and civil society contribute to mutually beneficial outcomes.

Summary findings

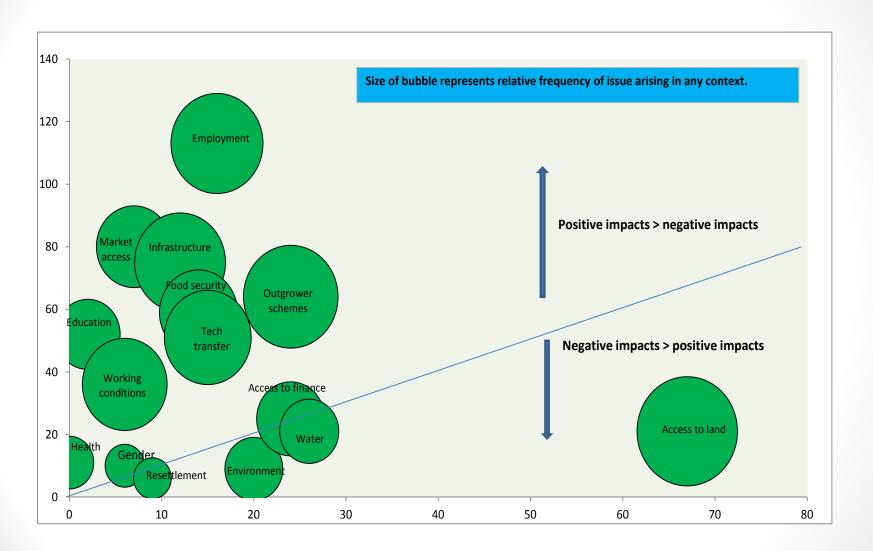


Summary findings

On balance, the investments studied have generated positive socioeconomic benefits for surrounding communities and host countries. But many negative impacts and room for improvement.



Stakeholder perceptions, by issue



KEY POSITIVES TO ENHANCE AND NEGATIVES TO REDUCE

KEY POSITIVE IMPACTS	KEY NEGATIVE IMPACTS
EMPLOYMENT	LAND DISPUTES
ACCESS TO MARKETS FOR OUTGROWERS	UNCLEAR TERMS OF LAND DEAL
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES	RESETTLEMENT
FINANCIALLY INCLUSIVE MODELS	FAILURE TO USE LAND
FOOD SECURITY	LACK OF CONSULTATION
TECHNOLOGY / INNOVATION	FINANCIAL FAILURE OF INVESTORS
	LACK OF DISPUTE MECHANISMS
	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT, INC. WATER