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Women Economic Empowerment through Climate Smart Agriculture

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Gender gaps in agricultural productivity and income

Unpaid care and domestic work have an “opportunity cost” to women that directly impacts their agricultural performance.

Gender differences in access to key farm inputs as consequences of social norms and values. Limited land rights,

Barriers in accessing information, training, finance and technology

Need of improving women farmers’ resilience to climate change
Context – Results on the ground

Cote d’Ivoire
1800 women received Organic Certification
Revenue tripled in one year

Senegal
15,000 women in rice value chain, $100K additional revenue through access to markets

Rwanda
5000 women in maize value chain linked to buyers such as WFP through the buyfromwomen platform.
Future work - priorities for 2019-2021

MORE THAN
1 MILLION WOMEN
TO BE IMPACTED BY 2021

12 COUNTRIES
IN AFRICA

OVER
$500 MILLION
TO BE INVESTED

AT LEAST
50,000 WOMEN
ENTREPRENEURS
Partnering in the context of UN reform
Financing results

- Average flagship program $5M
- UNISS Plan $300M in the Sahel to scale up
- 1 million women empowered
Thank you