

## Research interests of key members of the Consortium

| Name  | Discipline(s)                              | Research interests and experience  | Country familiarity |
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| Rosemary Atieno, IDS,<br>University of Nairobi                      | Development Economics                      | Her research interest is in development policy with a focus on rural development, poverty issues and livelihoods. Has done research on socio-economic disparities and poverty; social policy and economic development; agro-processing industrial performance and employment among others, and participated in the writing of the Kenya Human Development Reports 2001 and 2002.   | Kenya               |
| Lídia Cabral, ODI   | Development Economics<br>and Social Policy | Current research interests on the political economy of agricultural policy processes, aid modalities for agriculture and rural development, Poverty Reduction Strategies and the rural economy, and the role of NGOs in rural markets.<br><br>Experience on public policy formulation and implementation (Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers, Medium Term Expenditure Frameworks, and State Budgets), budget systems analysis (Public Expenditure Reviews) and aid management (Sector Wide Approaches). | Mozambique, Angola. |
| Blessings Chinsinga,<br>Chancellor College,<br>University of Malawi | Political Economy                          | Decentralization and poverty reduction, governance and democracy, institutional analysis and policy making, globalization and regional integration, targeting development interventions, human rights based approaches to development, agricultural production and HIV/AIDS, and rural development   | Africa: Malawi      |
| Ephraim Chirwa, University<br>of Malawi                             | Economist                                  | Organisation and performance of agricultural markets, poverty and food security, technology adoption and the agrarian question, farming systems and efficiency, rural credit systems and social safety nets.   | Africa: Malawi      |
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| Stephen Devereux, IDS           | Development Economist  | Food security, poverty and rural development including recent research on causes of destitution and livelihood vulnerability, causes of contemporary famines and work on safety net programmes and mainstreaming social protection.  | Africa: Ethiopia, Malawi, Namibia, Uganda, Mozambique, Botswana, Zambia and Ghana   |
| Andrew Dorward, Imperial        | Agricultural Development Economics   | Rural livelihoods and poverty analysis; rural finance and input markets; livelihood modelling; New Institutional Economics applied to agricultural supply chain development and policy   | Africa: Botswana, Ethiopia, Ghana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.<br>Asia: Sri Lanka, Vietnam<br>Latin America: Bolivia, Mexico   |
| Samuel Gebreselassie, EEA/EEPRI | Agricultural Economist, Rural Development Expert   | Rural development, Policy Analysis and Evaluation, Intensification and commercialization of smallholder agriculture, Land policy and land tenure, Food aid, Food security, Population and Environment issues vis-à-vis Agricultural Development in Ethiopia  | Ethiopia  |
| Jonathan Kydd, Imperial         | Agricultural Development Economics   | Agricultural and rural policies, including agribusiness, regulation, and growth. Other aspects of the role of the state in agriculture. Part of the “Wye” group applying new institutional economics to a range of problems connected to market failure and rural space.   | Africa: Malawi, Zambia, Tanzania, Morocco, Ghana, Cameroon, Mozambique, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Uganda<br>Asia: Bangladesh China, Sri Lanka   |
| Colin Poulton, Imperial         | Agricultural Economist   | Rural markets and institutions, with particular interests in agricultural credit and input markets and in the coordination of pre-harvest services with output market development<br>Institutional reform within commodity chains, with particular interest and expertise in African cotton market systems   | Ghana, Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania, Zimbabwe  |
| John Thompson, IDS              | Resource geographer  | Dynamics of agrarian change and agriculture and rural development policy processes, particularly political and institutional dimensions. Long-term interest in the future of smallholder agriculture and governance of agri-food systems. Extensive experience with community-based approaches to water and natural resource management, particularly in East Africa. Also, focus on technology policy and innovation systems related to agricultural research and extension practice. | Africa: Kenya, Ghana, Madagascar, Lesotho, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania;<br>Asia: China, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam; Latin America: Bolivia, Brazil, Central America; also East & Central Europe and USA. |
| Ian Scoones, IDS                | Originally agricultural ecologist; now social scientist working on institutional/policy issues | Dynamics of agricultural policy processes, particularly political and institutional dimensions. Long interest in livestock issues in Africa, particularly pastoralism. Focus on agricultural technology policy and innovation systems, particularly governance issues around new technologies, including biotechnology.  | Southern and East Africa, notably Zimbabwe and Ethiopia.<br>Some recent work in southern India.   |

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| Andrew Shepherd, ODI | Sociologist   | Poverty reduction policies, poverty analysis, rural development, rural governance, PRSPs (including Monitoring and Evaluation), project and policy evaluation, regional development, agri-business and poverty reduction  | Africa: Ghana, Uganda, Zimbabwe, Sudan, Cote d'Ivoire, Kenya<br>Asia: India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Thailand              |
| Amdissa Teshome      | Agricultural Economics and also Education for Development   | Capacity building, food security, safety net and social protection, disaster management, early warning,   | Ethiopia  |
| Rob Tripp, ODI       | Social anthropologist                                       | Agricultural research and extension; technology change and adoption; regulatory reform; rural enterprise development; intellectual property rights in agriculture.  | Africa: Ghana, Kenya, Zambia, Malawi<br>Asia: India, Sri Lanka, Nepal<br>Latin America: Central America and the Andes |
| Jennifer Leavy, IDS  | Economist   | Rural institutions and. Combining quantitative, qualitative and participatory methods in research and analysis. Recent research examines the role and dynamics of markets, focusing on labour, vulnerability and sustainable livelihoods in the context of social networks in commercialisation processes of smallholder farmers. | Africa: Zambia, Zimbabwe, Ghana, Kenya<br>Asia: Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Indonesia, Bhutan                 |
| Steve Wiggins, ODI   | Agricultural Economist, also Management, Economic Geography | Rural livelihoods and rural economy, including the rural non-farm economy<br>Change in farming systems, including impact of HIV/AIDS<br>Livestock economics, esp. dairying<br>Food security and nutrition<br>Rural development planning, implementation and governance  | Africa: The Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe                        |
| Kay Sharp, ODI       | Agricultural / socio-economist                              | Rural livelihoods and food security. Diversification; social protection; rural labour markets; rural-urban linkages, targeting.   | Africa  |
| Eva Ludi, ODI        | Geographer  | Natural resource management; rural livelihoods; environment; agro-commodities; private sector in rural development; environmental conflicts; Horn of Africa.  | Africa: Ethiopia  |