AgPE Analysis for Regular Use: Introducing the “AgPER Lite”

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Side-Event: Towards Strengthening Agriculture Public Expenditure Analysis for Improved Decisions and Learning
### Annual AgPER: what for?

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<td>Making better budgets (annual, maybe MTEF)</td>
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What “Light” implies

- Less resource intensive and quicker
- Focus on changes
- Focus on currently debated issues
- Up-to-date data
Make AgPERs lighter, but maintain ...

• Coverage according to COFOG-plus, but
  • reduced effort on “peanuts”
  • particular attention to big spenders
  • must include local government if significant in the context

• Historic perspective with an outlook to the near future
  • some five years backwards
  • include current year and (if available) next year’s budget

• Clearly identify spending units
  • ... rather than losing this dimension in the course of aggregation

• Basic approach: PE analysis is the starting point – only!
  • AgPER Lite is more than a budget analysis!
Basic AgPER Approach
Approach to the “diet”

• Have separate section on
  a) data, charts and description of trends (updated annually)
  b) the year’s key analysis (re-write every year)

• Annual section
  a) reports on highlights and significant changes
  b) focuses on current issues

• Establish database on expenditure, update from year to year
  • requires adequate format
  • requires reliable and robust data source

• ... and the same for GDP and key production data
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<td><strong>Select 2-3 “AgPER issues” each year</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Should relate to current debate on policy or effectiveness, always related to expenditure</strong></td>
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AgPER Lite and Maputo

- Maputo is not a particular focus
- Align to national classification system rather than international comparability

But:
- Should be shown with regard to internally funded expenditure
  - i.e. recurrent plus internal development
- Main concern: composition and effectiveness
- Interesting ratios to include:
  - AgPE over AgGDP
  - AgPE per 1000 hectares
  - AgPE per person with full-time activity in agriculture
  - % of smallholder agriculture (area planted or formal/informal GDP contribution)
Effort

- Duration: ~ 3 months
- Personnel input: ~ 3 x 2 months per year
- MORE in the first round to establish sources and database formats (Excel sheets)
- Timely start is essential !!
Questions to the Audience

1) Does any country already prepare regular annual AgPER-like analyses?

2) Would annually updated expenditure analysis be useful
   • for budget preparation?
   • for annual performance reviews?

3) Can expenditure data compilation be coordinated with other existing initiatives? Especially
   • ReSAKSS
   • MAFAP