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ACA: A Journey of 10 years. Guinea-Bissau
and USAID contribution

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USAID CONTRIBUTION TO THE CREATION OF ACA

- Two surveys conducted by the Sustainable Tree Crops Program (STCP) in 1999 and 2001.
- Regional workshop of the Sustainable Tree Crops program in May 2000 in Ghana.
- Regional monitoring and development of cashew nut in Africa July 2002 in Cotonou.
- Cashew industry stakeholders meeting June 2005 in Baltimore/Maryland, regarding the establishment of an alliance to support cashew industry development across Africa.



USAID CONTRIBUTION TO THE CREATION OF ACA (continue)

- Continental level meeting to further define the ACA and establish its conceptual and organizational structure in Bissau, March 2006.
- ACA's first steering committee meeting, Bissau March 2006.
- USAID signed an MOU with ACA in October 2006 as a founder member.
- The USAID Trade Hub program hosted the ACA Secretariat until July 2007.
- 10 years of continuous support, 10th anniversary of one of the most successful public private partnership collaboration celebrated in its country of birth: Guinea- Bissau.



USAID supports to Guinea-Bissau's effort on processing

- 1994 - TIPS project
- 1995 - FUNDEI
- 1997-Pro Cajú
- 1998 – first export of processed cashew nut
- 2001- Enterprise Works / Nô Fiança



GUINEA BISSAU CONTRIBUTION TO THE ACA CREATION AND SOME HIGH LIGHTS ON THEIR STRATEGY TO INCREASE AND DEVELOP THE CASHEW NUT PRODUCTION.

- Why Guinea Bissau was chosen for the first ACA Executive Committee meeting?
- Government and private sector engagement.
- International participation of the three major cashew industry representatives: Kraft Foods, OLAM International and Global Trading.
- Nomination of the first members of the Executive Committee.
- First agreement (MoU) signed between ACA and the Guinea- Bissau National Association of Cashew Nut (ANCA) in 2014.
- How did the bump on cashew nut production happened in Guinea-Bissau?



GUINEA BISSAU CONTRIBUTION TO THE ACA CREATION AND SOME HIGH LIGHTS ON THEIR STRATEGY TO INCREASE AND DEVELOP THE CASHEW NUT PRODUCTION. (continue)

- Meeting between the Ministry of Agriculture and the 2 exclusive import/export companies in Guinea Bissau 1979.
- Decision to include the Cashew tree as a “tree” for the “tree month initiative” of the Ministry of Agriculture.
- Proposal to trade cashew nut against local rice production.
- Economy liberalization decision 1986.





Guinea-Bissau, production and export of raw cashew nut.

