

**“The ABS Capacity Development Initiative”**

**“ABioSA”**

**“BioInnovation Africa”**



## ABioSA

# ABS Compliant Biotrade in South(ern) Africa (2018-2021)



| Main components   | Outcomes  | Intervention approach   |
|---|---|---|
| Component 1: <b>Technical assistance</b> to South(ern) African and Regional ABS compliant biotrade value chains | Outcome 1: <b>SMEs</b> access new global markets for biotrade products based on national and transboundary value chains with strong participation of IPLCs.                   | Project providing <b>technical assistance</b> to SMEs and IPLCs   |
| Component 2: <b>Financial assistance</b> through the innovation facility  | Outcome 2: <b>SMEs</b> use financial assistance designed specifically for biotrade innovation and growth whilst leveraging own resources and/or government incentive schemes. | Project innovation facility providing <b>financial assistance</b> through grants to SME to implement selected proposals |
| Component 3: <b>Policy dialogue</b> and <b>enabling environment</b>   | Outcome 3: Improved ABS implementation framework supports the biotrade sector development in South Africa and the (sub-) region.  | <b>Policy</b> advise and technical support to Government and BSOs   |

# Component 1

Provides technical assistance to South African and regional ABS compliant value chains including supporting new market access by addressing selected non-tariff barriers that bottleneck the growth of the sector, supporting the strategic and constructive role of IPLCs in these value chains, and assisting SMEs to improve their investment readiness through improved financial and business planning

**Sub-component 1.1: Market access and development**

**Sub-component 1.2: Supporting the role of IPLCs in biotrade value chains**

**Sub-component 1.3: Business planning support to SMEs**

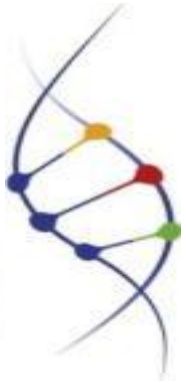


## Component 2

Provides financial assistance to SMEs for innovation and growth through the establishment of a dedicated biotrade grant funding facility that works in coherence with, but effectively independently of, other relevant incentive schemes, and ensures financial, technical and human resources engagement by the SMEs, and will be governed with the support of an Investment Committee.

### Sub-component 2.1: Facility design and set up

### Sub-component 2.2: Operation of facility



## Component 3



Supports the development of an enabling regulatory environment through policy advice and technical support to the DEA for the revision of NEMBA and BABS, supports sector organisations to develop and implement industry best practices related to ABS, and knowledge management and sharing of best practices and lessons learned at a regional and global level including through cooperation with UNCTAD BioTrade.

**Sub-component 3.1: Policy improvement through NEMBA and BABS amendments**

**Sub-component 3.2: Industry/sector organisation best practices and alignment**

**Sub-component 3.3: Knowledge management and sharing**



# **BiInnovation Africa**

Equitable benefit-sharing for the conservation  
and sustainable use of biodiversity  
(2019-2022)

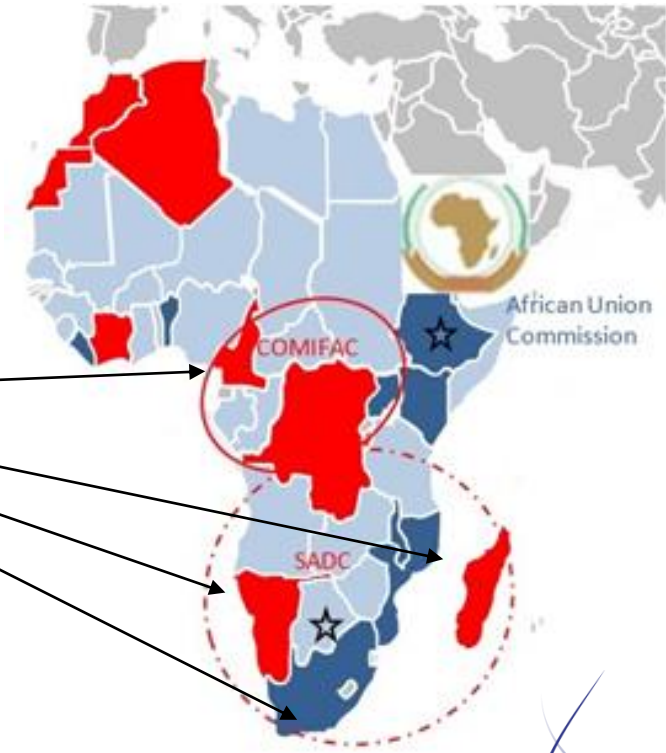
*Developing European-African collaborations for biodiversity-based innovations and products –  
with equitable benefit-sharing for the conservation of biodiversity*

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# BiInnovation Africa

- Sister project to ABS Capacity Development Initiative
- Framed by “Marshal Plan with Africa”
- HQ & cooperation with dedicated GIZ projects on the ground
- Cameroon, Namibia , South Africa, Madagascar
- Total budget : 9 Mio €
- 1/ 2019 to 6 / 2022; inception phase;
- UEBT partner in project development and in implementation
- UEBT standards compass in project execution.



THE ABS  
CAPACITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
INITIATIVE



L'INITIATIVE DE  
RENFORCEMENT  
DES CAPACITES  
POUR L'APA

## Target:

European industry of all sectors , interested in developing and scaling up supply chains based on African biodiversity, following BioTrad / UEBT standards, criteria

# Supporting fields

Industry and governmental partners benefit from the project's support in the following fields:

**Regulatory Compliance** - particularly with respect to the national ABS regulations implementing the Nagoya Protocol of the CBD (knowing and navigating cost.- effectively)

**Ecological Sustainability** - supporting Ethical BioTrade practices such as biodiversity conservation and sustainable use, in and around benefit-sharing agreements.

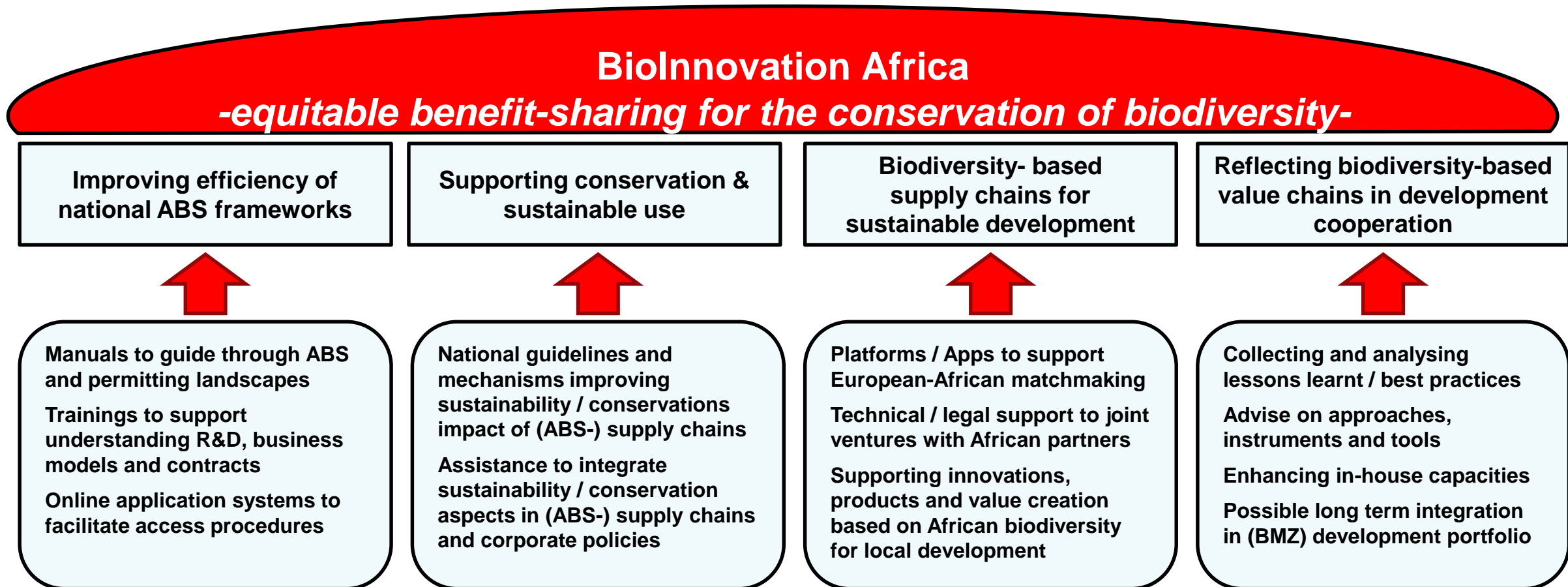
**Innovation for New Products and Jobs** - promoting technology transfer, long term business partnerships for a reliable supply of ingrediencies and better products.

**Political Advocacy** - showcasing successful and sustainable North-South business partnerships as “proof of principle” will help to increasingly integrate BioTrade and ABS in cooperation portfolios.





# Intervention scheme



## Where can the project concretely support?

Strengthen local  
businesses

- designing **operating procedures**
- setting up **traceability systems**
- **quality enhancement**  
(storage, processing, transport).
- local **monitoring systems**  
for farmer and collector groups.

## Where can the project concretely support?

Strengthen local  
businesses

Support for ABS  
compliance

- **assess ABS compliance status** and compliance **options**
- guide companies in **internal discussions / processes** towards **ABS compliance**
- **navigating** and **explaining ABS processes / regulations**
- **facilitate negotiations** between companies, providers and national competent authorities

## Where can the project concretely support?

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Support for ABS  
compliance

Sector dialogue

- Facilitation of **sector meetings** and **round-tables**
- Definition of commonly agreed **good practices**
- **Business training** and **technical support** at sectoral level
- Identification / elaboration of **co-financing schemes** (e.g. PPP)

## Where can the project concretely support?

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Sustainable  
farming and  
wild collection

- **Biodiversity assessments / plans** in supply chain sourcing **areas**
- **Resource assessment** for **sustainable regeneration rates** in wild collection
- Implementation of **biodiversity conservation / enhancement** (e.g. reforestation, enrichment planting,
- Capacity development on **good agricultural, organic farming integrated pest management** practices
- Good **post-harvest practices**

## Where can the project concretely support?

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Sector dialogue

Sustainable farming and wild collection

Matchmaking & Service providers

Tailored support **to promote/facilitate business links platform**

- Platforms for business, BSO **matchmaking and networking opportunities**
- **Training of consultants and NGOs, practices, assurance systems**
- Crop specific guidance **standards**
- Access to **local auditors, lawyers**

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Local development and equitable trade

- **Cost-calculations** for prices to **local farmer groups/farmers/pickers**
- **Community consultation workshops** and formulation of **local projects**
- **Organization of local communities**, formalization of supply networks of farmers and pickers
- **Working conditions**, health and safety measures (use of PPEs)

## *Join the BioInnovation Project*



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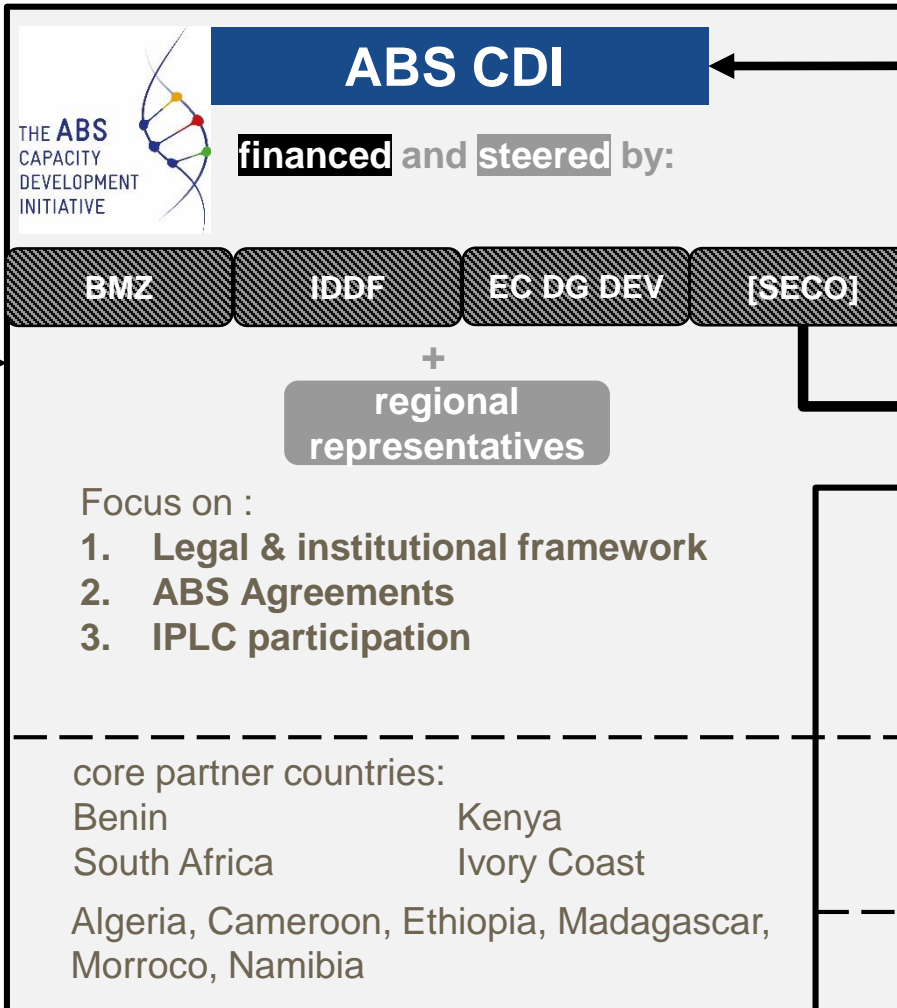
**BMZ**

- Focus on:
1. Improvement of ABS frameworks
  2. Benefit-sharing for conservation
  3. Biodiversity-based value chains
  4. BMZ is partner for biodiversity-based cooperation

partner countries:

|          |              |
|----------|--------------|
| Cameroon | Madagascar   |
| Namibia  | South Africa |

2006 – 2022



MoU

**African Union Commission**

financing

2017 – 2021

