

**Positioning Pastoralists and Arid lands
in the Centre of Policy Discussion-
Eastern Africa-*Un Update on the progress***

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OUTLINE OF THE PRESENTATION

- Up date on the awareness among stakeholders regarding the CSP and the PFPA.
- Strategies towards Promoting the AUIP
- Strategies for policy influencing at the national, regional and at the EU CSP's
- Establishment of an informal regional Council/Coalition for Eastern Africa, with Country Focal point persons. A Focal Point/person per country.

CONTEXT OF THE EA. REGION

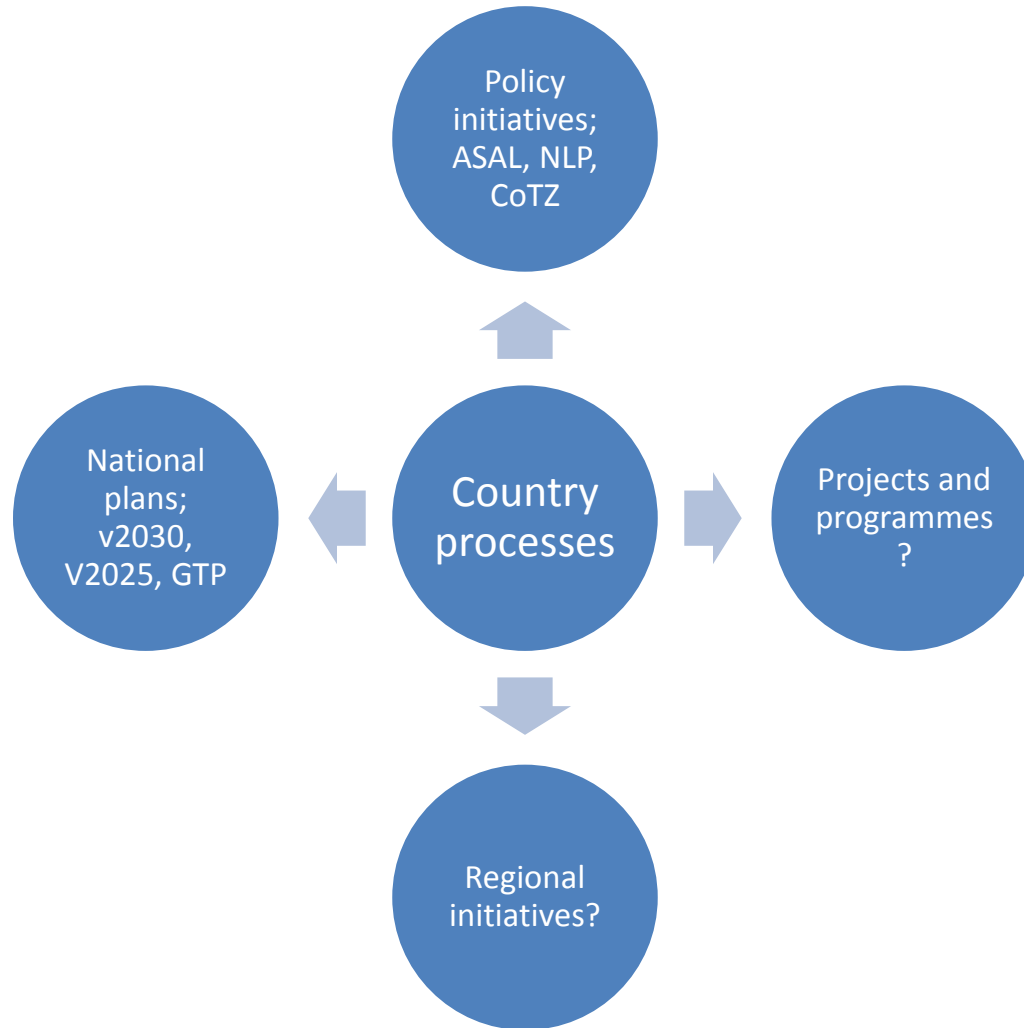
- Kenya: new policy and governance order, devolution, Range land governance initiative programme (ILC, IFAD, WISP, RECONCILE) **ASAL policy, draft Land use policy, new land laws, proposed developments (LAPSET, Resort Cities in Isiolo, Oil, gas)**
- This process marks a significant shift in the East African sub-region & Portends significant challenges & opportunities for the East African region comprising Uganda, Kenya, TZ, Rwanda, Burundi, Eastern Congo, and now South Sudan.
- Geology, Minerals & Mining Bill & Policy 2012 whose key innovations include the enhancement of benefits to local communities in which minerals are extracted.
- The new policy proposes a royalty-sharing formula of 75 per cent for the central government, 20 per cent for the counties and five per cent for local communities.

- Uganda: new land policy, draft policy on Rangelands and Pastoralism, more open discussions around the IBM cases success stories
- TZ: Constitutional development process, Land Use Plan, Mapping of the Livestock corridors,
- Regional processes and discussions including the need to establish an oil and gas network (WWF)
- REGLAP led initiatives
- FAO initiatives
- CAADP Compact Process

ENGAGEMENT WITH THESE PROCESSES

- New governance framework in Kenya: **provides more opportunities for pastoralists and their organizations. RECONCILE taking lead in Community land and County forum establishment, Review of ASAL policy with Cordaid**
- **A desk review on the status of pastoralism 3 draft papers concluded (KEN, UG & TZ) to inform the EA. Working group on issues to engage the RECs on.**
- Policy and Legal frameworks in Uganda: **Rangeland and Pastoralism Policy under formulation; domesticating the Policy; Research on the contribution of livestock to national economy would to generate evidence to support our campaign for pastoralism as a rational system by COPASCO/ULA,**
- TZ. The constitutional making process and the land question in the process; (sharing lessons learnt from Kenya visit by PINGOS to RECONCILE among others), **the Land Use Planning and plans progress,** the Mapping of livestock corridors by Ministry of Livestock with ILC support resulted from a Learning Route Initiative through the Rangelands project by ILC.

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STRATEGIES TOWARDS PROMOTING THE AAFP

- In May 2013, an EA Regional Pastoralism Symposium was held in Kampala. Participation from key focal members including RECONCILE & PFE and representatives from TZ, S. Sudan
- Media radio talk shows and newspapers, awareness have been done by COPASCO.
- Engaging in directly or indirectly with national and regional initiatives and process such as; Constitutional process in TZ, Devolution and ASAL in Kenya.
- Research on key topical issues especially on the new paradigm of investments in the region,
- Many policy formulation processes and New governance with varying interests and interpretations on drylands and understanding of the resources therein.

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- **A working Group has been established focusing on: Land, Gender; Pastoralism, Natural Resource Management i.e. oil and gas (RECONCILE, COPASCO, ULA, ILC Africa Node,(Rwanda), TALA, PINGOS, KLA, PDNK)**

LESSONS LEARNT

- Effective and realistic implementation of the AU Framework can only happen in a coordinated way if the national initiatives are done with awareness on the linkages with the policy.
- **Establish a working group that have specific task to isolating the relevant aspects their linkages with national and regional processes**
- Without explicit support that the FC, National leads and regional coalitions are to operate on the will and available institutional initiatives, they can only achieve so much!