

HORTICULTURE



Line Ministry: MINAGRI

Key Partners and Stakeholders

- National Agriculture Exports Board (NAEB)
- Rwanda Agriculture Board (RAB)
- Rwanda Inspectorate
- Competition and Consumer Protection Authority (RICA)
- Rwanda Standards Board (RSB)
- Rwanda Cooperative Agency (RCA)
- Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA) / MOE
- University of Rwanda (UR)-Rwasave Research Center
- Local Government (Districts)

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KWHAZA Project

TRANSFORMATION TOWARDS
SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

KWIHAZA is a 4-year (2023-2026) multi-stakeholders project financed by the European Union and the Ministry of Foreign & European Affairs (MFEA/Luxembourg), administrated by the Belgian development agency (Enabel) in partnership with the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources of Rwanda (MINAGRI).

Overall objective

KWIHAZA project will contribute to the transition towards socially and environmentally inclusive food systems by developing the aquaculture, fisheries, and horticultural sectors.

Specific objective

Increase sustainably the production, per capital consumption, and income generated from fisheries, aquaculture, and horticulture value chains, with focus on women and youth.

SNAPSHOT

Life of project

January 2023 - December 2026 (4 years)

Target

Smallholder farmer groups, cooperatives, sector organizations / federations, and SMEs in targeted value chains with a particular focus on women, youth.

Goal

To increase in a sustainable way the production, per capita consumption and income generated by fish, aquaculture, & horticulture quality products.

IMPLEMENTATION FRAMEWORK

The four-year project will strengthen the aquaculture, fisheries, and horticulture values chains through technical capacity building, developing commercial, and governance capabilities through its implementation framework with the following deliverables:

- Supporting the structuring of value chains
- Contributing to the improvement of extension services (public or private),
- Supporting technical training and research capacities/centers
- Upgrading of training and TVET centers for aquaculture.
- Supporting the elaboration and the implementation of lake management plans
- Promoting the consumption of healthy and sustainably produced local food
- Improving the quality and certification process to improve access to high-value markets/ quality assurance and food safety services
- Supporting food quality and food processing regulation (RSB, RICA)
- Contributing (indirectly) to developing the Kigali Wholesale Market via a secondary supplier market network
- Improving public agro-food infrastructure and its management
- Strengthening youth entrepreneurship in targeted value chains
- Contributing to the development of aquaculture/ fisheries and horticulture value chain financing

PROJECT OUTPUTS

Output 1

The **capacities of smallholder organizations**, active in the targeted value chains, are **enhanced** to efficiently improve the quality and quantity of produce, minimize post-harvest losses and improve access to local and regional markets.

Output 2

SMEs and aspiring young entrepreneurs active at different levels of the targeted value chains are **strengthened** to operate inclusively and sustainably, create decent jobs, and contribute to more sustainable food systems.

Output 3

A **conductive environment** for inclusive value chain development and sustainable Food Systems is strengthened.

AQUACULTURE

