



*This series of Research Group Fact sheets shows ongoing research projects related to INCLUDE, the Knowledge Platform on Inclusive Development Policies*

## Creating inclusive partnerships for inclusive development in agriculture

The research project 'Partnership Arrangements as Strategic Action for Inclusive Development: Practice and Outcome' studies under what conditions and how strategic actors can be mobilized to become involved in partnerships for inclusive development in Sub-Saharan Africa's agricultural sector. To understand the transformative role that partnership can play it is essential to know under what conditions actors initiate or become involved in partnerships. What new institutions and forms of innovation and value chain governance do the various partnerships in the different contexts promote, and how do other stakeholder react? What new type of innovation governance practices, institutions and relationships do finally emerge? And what will then be the impact at the local level of the value chain, notably the position of the smallholders. Insights gained may help practitioners to orchestrate partnerships in such a way that they are able to create effective and sustainable structures for inclusive development.

<b>Main question</b>	What conditions are required for public and private actors, NGOs and smallholders to be interested in and capable of initiating or joining partnerships for inclusive value chain development?
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<b>Country focus</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ghana</li> </ul>
<b>Planned activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Case studies in cocoa and domestic food value chain, sectors with comparative advantages for Ghana that have been identified as important drivers for structural transformation by ACET (2014).</li> <li>• Stakeholder workshops to identify the practical implications for the different actors in the different partnerships.</li> <li>• Develop content and training for master students and development professionals, based on the lessons learned</li> </ul>