MADE IN BRAZIL, ADOPTED IN UKRAINE: INNOVATIVE PRE-SEASON FINANCING FOR FARMERS Ukraine Crop Receipts – Pre-Conditions For Success

IS IT POSSIBLE TO REPLICATE SUCCESS?



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UKRAINE CROP RECEIPTS PROJECT

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AIM: improving access to working capital finance for MSME farmers based on the pledge of the future crop

TARGET: \$520 million financing facilitated



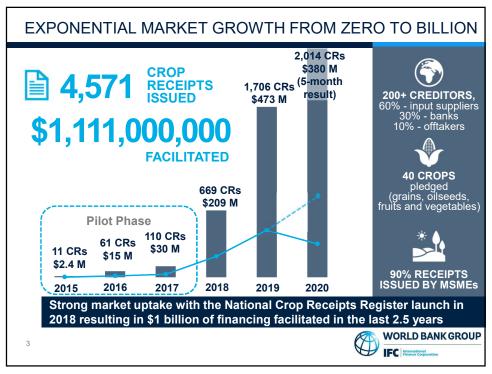
TIMELINE: 5 years (2015-2020)

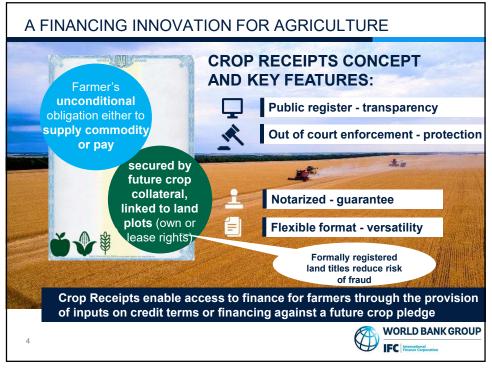
BUDGET: \$5 million advisory project

RESULTS

4,571 CROP RECEIPTS ISSUED \$1,111,000,000 FINANCING FACILITATED BY FARMERS







WHAT TO BE CAUTIOUS ABOUT?



Land ownership or lease rights must be confirmed ensuring pledged future crops are linked to the borrower's land plot and reduce fraud



Farmers honor their obligation which is unconditional, quick "out of court" enforcement, open access Crop Receipts Register – **reduce side selling**



Can/need to use price and FX-indexed obligation to hedge risks



Crop insurance is not obligatory but works well if bundled with a credit product. Less risk leads to cheaper finance

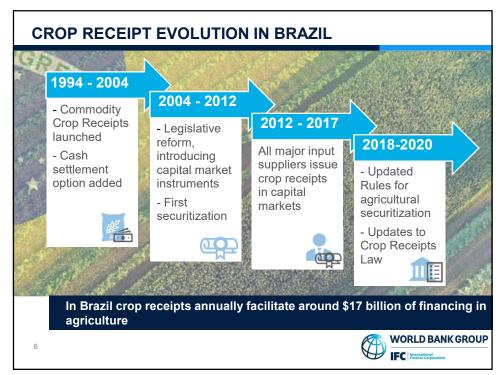


Crop Receipt is not a silver bullet but an efficient pre-season finance instrument. Farmers need many diverse instruments to increase **access** to finance throughout the supply chain

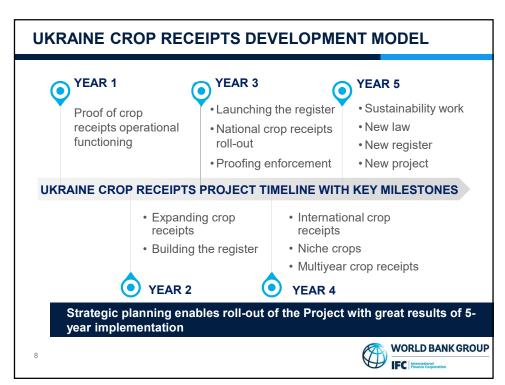
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BRING IN LIQUIDITY FROM INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL MARKETS

INTERNATIONAL CROP RECEIPTS

Non-residents directly provide cross-border financing for farmers

NEW **CREDITORS**

EXTRA LIQUIDITY **MARKET GROWTH**

27 CROP RECEIPTS ISSUED

\$9,000,000 FACILITATED

CREDITORS FROM 5 COUNTRIES

Traders from Estonia, Switzerland, Netherlands, UAE, Cyprus

Local farmers benefited from easy access to cheaper credit resources from abroad



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DEFAULTS AS A PROOF OF EFFICIENCY

Slow, costly, corrupt court system makes enforcement unpalatable, but...

OUT-OF-COURT ACCELERATED TRANSPARENT

CROP RECEIPTS **ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE**

0.95%

HANDLED VIA OUT OF **COURT ENFORCEMENT**

NON-PERFORMING LOANS

50% - fully resolved 25% - partial settlement 25% - handled to court

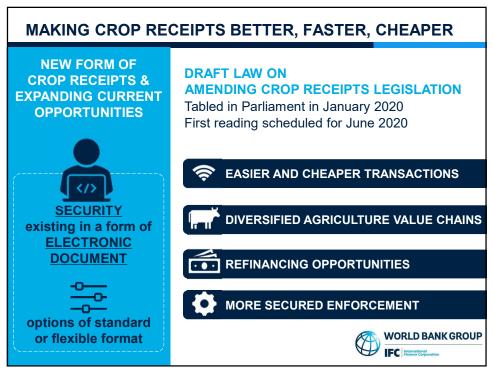


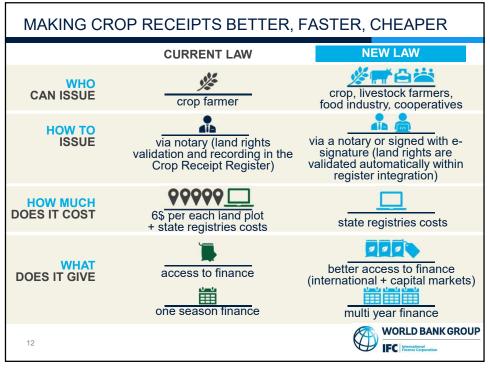


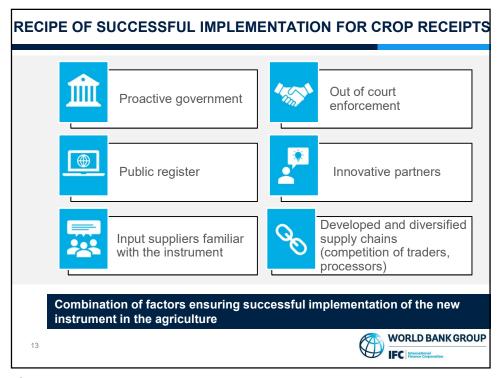
- Proved in practice, is used by creditors
- Protects creditors' rights
- Stimulates creditors to monitor collateral for better credit risk management

Ensuring efficient enforcement in case of default increase the sustainability and uptake of crop receipts in the market











M GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ POSITIVE AND PROACTIVE RELATIONSHIP with the Government
- ✓ GOVERNMENT SEE THE VALUE OF THE INSTRUMENT
 to increase access to finance to farmers
- **✓ GOVERNMENT CAPACITY AND WILLINGNESS TO:**
- support/update laws/regulations to enable crop receipts (1 year)
- operationalize a centralized registry (1 year) or make the required adaptations to existing registers (4 months)
- commit resources to maintain the register, update information and amend complementary regulations as required
- improve enforcement to increase creditor confidence to use the instrument (1 year)



Proactive Government establishes a strong enabling environment



WHAT TO LOOK AT TO CONSIDER CROP RECEIPTS





Agricultural POTENTIAL IS HIGHER than existing production, agriculture can grow

COLLATERAL IS REQUIRED to access working capital finance

CROP CAN BE TURNED IN COLLATERAL for working capital financing

DEVELOPED AND DIVERSIFIED VALUE CHAINS reduce the risk of investing in inputs, which increase productivity and profitability

Positive economic environment of the country increases likelihood of the successful implementation of crop receipts in the market

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PROJECT MANAGEMENT



Use STUDY-TOURS to help stakeholders visualize and be courageous/motivated to try the



Blend with OTHER INSTRUMENTS, ie. forward contracts, insurance, value chain, contract farming (not necessary but help build success in less developed and more risky sub-sectors)



Start on **EXPORT-ORIENTED** value chains to increase use of instrument (leadership, innovation, build the ecosystem of knowledge) then move to smaller farmers in unique crops



Sector-wide WORKING GROUPS early-on help to engage key stakeholders to be proactive in the implementation



Diversify CREDITORS beyond financial sector to stimulate competition: crop receipts enable input suppliers, traders to provide financing, and even strengthens peer to peer lending



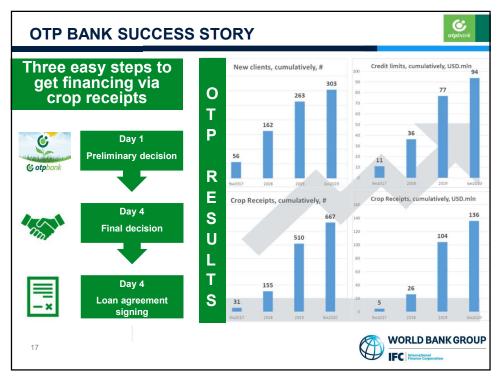
TRAIN users to ensure adoption and building market capacity for more complex functions

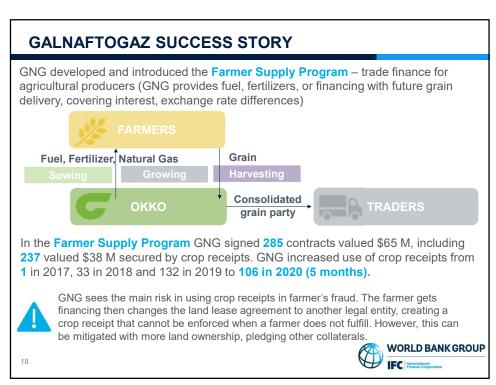


Never stop **INNOVATING** adaptation

Managerial secrets for replicating Ukraine Crop Receipts Project's success









POINTS TO KEEP IN MIND



COLLATERAL: Crop receipts provide pre-season financing based on the pledge of future crop, an efficient instrument for agricultural loans



ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES: Crop receipts are easy to use for creditors and farmers, with a centralized register



EVALUATING CREDITWORTHINESS: Creditors use CLARA or historical performance analysis to provide cash-flow based lending



RISK MANAGEMENT: mitigating weather risks with crop insurance, managing price risks with hedging and re-financing options



FLEXIBILITY: in comparison to contract farming crop receipts provide farmers with more choices and freedom to develop

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