



Access to Seeds
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Agriplus Mali

Corporate data
Headquarters: Bamako, Mali
Ownership type: Private
Group revenue (2017): N/A
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Agriplus Mali specializes in the production and sale of field crop and vegetable seeds, as well as importing and supplying fertilizers, pesticides and farming equipment. The company aims to promote improved varieties in Mali and across Western Africa by selling both domestically produced and imported seed.

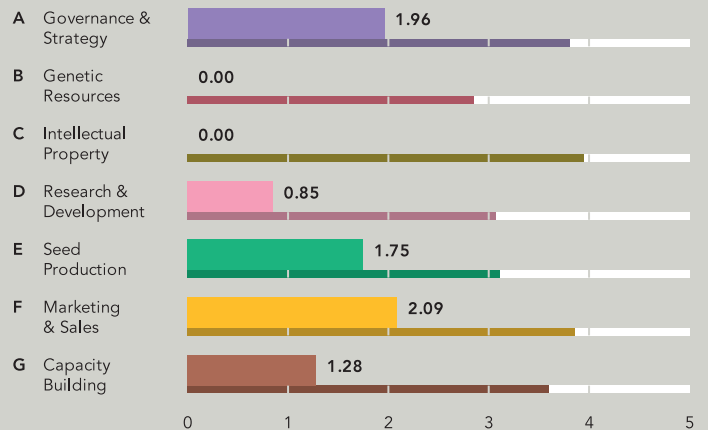
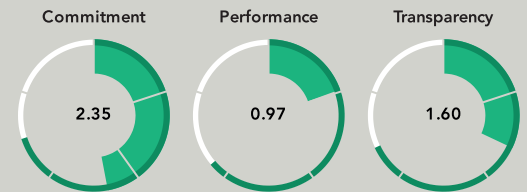
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rank out of 23
score 1.21

Western and Central Africa

Agriplus Mali ranks 18th in the 2019 Index for Western and Central Africa, its low position indicative of inconsistency across the measurement areas and a lack of disclosure. The company does not provide any information related to Genetic Resources or Intellectual Property. The company does not have its

own breeding program and provides limited information about the collaborative research in which it engages in relation to Research & Development. It owes a moderate score in Governance & Strategy to an access to seeds policy and board level accountability. In Seed Production, it provides evidence of production activities, although it does not engage smallholder farmers. Agriplus Mali's performance in Capacity Building is largely attributable to its collaborative projects with the European Cooperative for Rural Development (EUCORD), although the company's own contributions to these projects remain unclear.

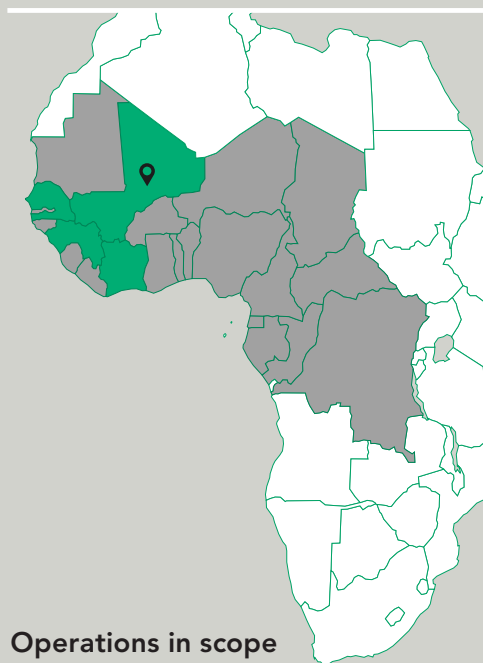


Leading practices

No leading practices were identified.

Areas for improvement

■ Agriplus Mali is encouraged to disclose the full scope of its access to seeds-related activities. Similarly, the company could develop and disclose formal commitments or policies to guide these activities.



Operations in scope

- Countries in scope
- Company presence
- 📍 Production locations
- 🌱 Breeding station/R&D

Notable findings

■ Agriplus Mali participates in a project coordinated by the European Cooperative for Rural Development EUCORD, called the Africa RISING program for Large-scale Diffusion of Technologies for Sorghum and Millet Systems (ARDT-SMS). EUCORD brokered a production contract between Agriplus Mali and seed cooperatives to increase access to improved sorghum and millet varieties in the Sikasso region.

■ The company carries out variety testing at its own facilities and selects the most appropriate varieties based on market needs.

■ Agriplus Mali sells certified seed on behalf of Sakata, a Japanese vegetable seed company.

■ The company offers training and consulting services to farmers to improve agronomic practices.

■ The company participates in a second EUCORD project called 'Mali: Improving smallholder farmers' incomes and food security through enhancing productivity and market access', which is funded by AGRA. The project aims to improve access to quality seed and inputs and to training on their use. The project specifically includes women smallholder farmers. However, the extent to which Agriplus Mali contributes is unclear.

Portfolio information

Index crops in portfolio

Field crops

Cowpea
Groundnut
Maize
Millets
Potato
Rice, paddy
Sesame
Sorghum
Soybean

Vegetables

Cabbage
Carrot
Cucumber
Eggplant
Green bean
Lettuce
Melon
Okra
Onion
Pepper (hot)
Pepper (sweet)
Squash
Tomato
Watermelon