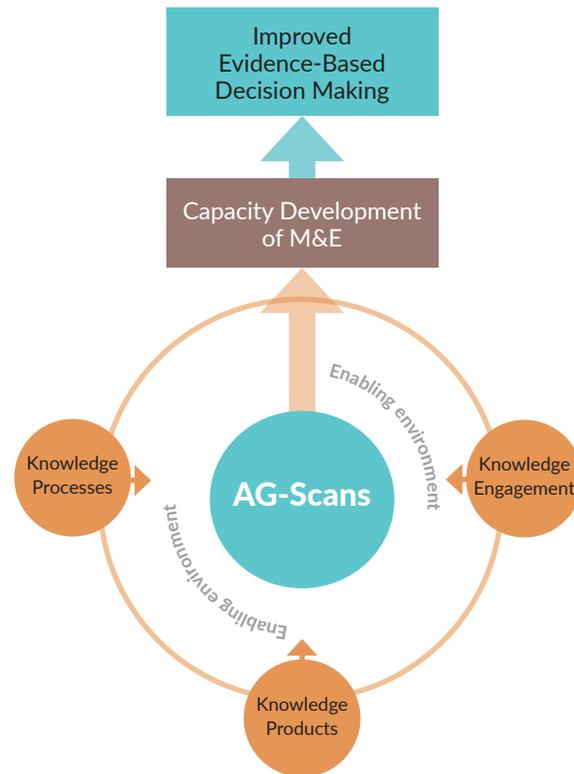




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## Strengthened Monitoring & Evaluation capacities are vital in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

By facilitating **national self-assessments** of monitoring, evaluation and reporting systems, AVANTI seeks to build in-country capacities in agricultural and rural development tracking and measuring against the SDGs and fill the current M&E gap in the agricultural sector.

*Evidence-based decision making is enhanced by strengthened M&E capacity and systems at country level.*

## AVANTI by 2021

- ▶ Up to 20 countries will have participated in the AG-Scan self-assessment and developed a subsequent action plan
- ▶ Up to 20 countries implement action plans
- ▶ More Governments and International Financial Institutions recognize the usefulness of MfDR for rural policy and programme development and invest in it.



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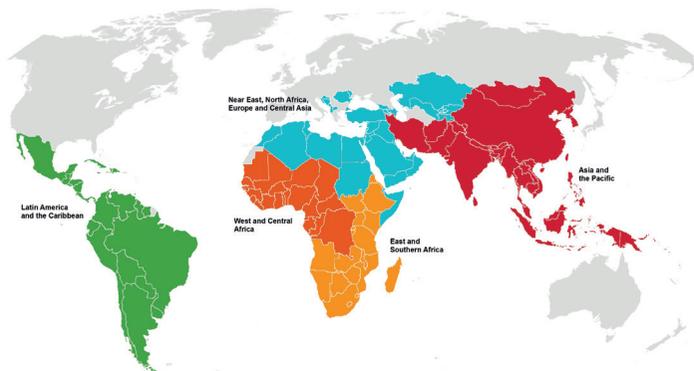
## What is AVANTI?

AVANTI – Advancing Knowledge for Agricultural Impact is an initiative that aims at strengthening participants' ability to report against the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through monitoring, evaluation, reporting and learning; adopting a Management for Development Results (MfDR) approach.

AVANTI's objective is to facilitate better government decision making for rural policies and strategies by **improving monitoring and evaluation (M&E)** systems' ability to capture SDG progress through improvements in areas like leadership, planning, statistics and sharing of good practices.

## A global initiative

By 2021, up to 20 countries will have taken part in AVANTI, across all IFAD regions.



## AVANTI partners

**AVANTI** is steered by the participating country teams in collaboration with:

**IFAD** The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) is an International Financial Institution and specialized UN agency that works on reducing poverty and food insecurity by investing in rural people for agricultural and rural development.

**HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation** A learning-oriented INGO focused on poverty reduction of Disadvantaged Groups through project implementation, capacity development and advocacy.

**Itad** Monitoring and evaluation specialists who provide insight and ideas to drive more effective use of resources in international development. Itad measures what works, where and why.

## How AVANTI works

AVANTI adapts a tried and tested self-assessment methodology of governments' capacities in managing for development results (CAP-Scan) to the Agriculture sector: resulting in its new product **AG-Scan**. The methodology is customized to each individual country context before adoption.

Through this initiative, government ministries working in rural development collaborate in assessing their own capacities and coming up with joint locally-driven solutions. This participatory process enhances buy-in and ownership by country players.

## Key elements of AVANTI

### Country Ownership

Each participating ministry and institution owns the process. The AVANTI country team supports them in assessing their M&E systems and capacities, and facilitates the adoption of locally-owned action plans.

### Knowledge

AVANTI enables its participants to learn and create knowledge products, connect with each other and share their work with a global audience, contributing to wider understanding of sustainable agricultural development.

