

# Rwanda- NCA as input to the mid-term National Strategy (2018 to 2023)

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# Key Issues for Rwanda

- Rwanda one of the most densely populated African countries ;
  - The country has few natural resources to exploit ;
  - Population largely rely on small, semi-subsistence rain-fed agriculture;
  - Land already a constraint : land scarcity, plot fragmentation, land degradation, etc.
- Water resources under pressure from high population growth & rapid economic development



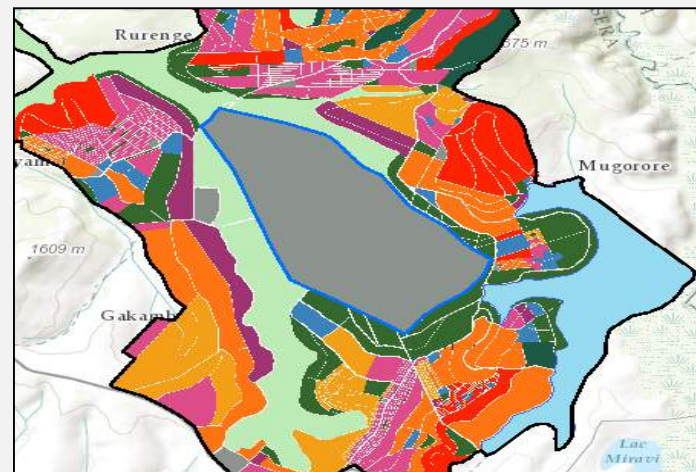
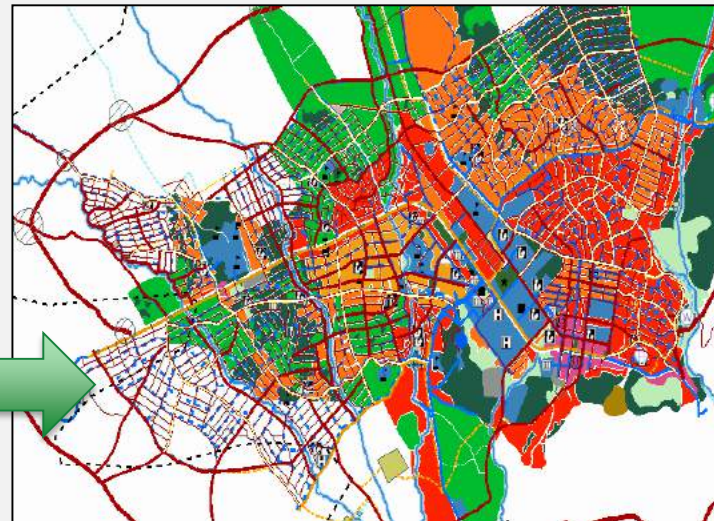
# Uses of NCA

- Rwanda started implementing NCA from early 2015;
- NCA discussed and provides inputs to the National Strategy for Transformation;
- NCA supports delivery of environmental-economic indicators and national M&E (inputs to the ENR SSP) ;
- NCA used to improve data quality and consistency;
- NCA supports economic assessments and policy analysis.



# Uses of Land Accounts

- National Strategy focuses on land use allocation for development;
- Results from the Land Accounts informs the Land Use Master Plan;
- Results used to update LAIS template;
- Land Accounts inputs to IBES in NISR;
- Indicators from Land Accounts discussed and aligned with ENR Sector targets ;
- Results from LA used for Policy briefs on Land Use and Land Cover change





# Uses of Water Accounts

- National Strategy has target to reach 100 % coverage rate for water supply and sanitation services;
- Preliminary results considered in the review of Water Master Plan;
- Indicators from Water Accounts discussed and aligned with ENR Sector targets ;
- Results from WA used to produce Policy briefs on Water Stress, Water use efficiency and productivity and Renewable water and Water scarcity



# Rwanda Public Environmental Expenditures

- Committed to green the economy
- One of 1st countries to ban plastic bags;
- From 2004-13 Rwanda' spending on environment and climate change grew from 0.4 to 2.5 % of national budget;
- National Climate & Environment Fund (FONERWA) set up in 2012 for public & private, green & resilient projects ;
- Investments in environmentally sustainable agriculture practices in all 30 districts;
- EIA institutionalized for all sectors.



“The environment is our life-blood; indeed the real surprise is not that ministries of finance are now talking to ministries of environment – but that it has actually taken this long. Even when we look beyond agriculture, tourism, mineral wealth and fisheries, our economies depend critically on good environmental stewardship.”

-- H.E. Paul Kagame, President of Rwanda 2009, 3rd African Ministerial Conference



# NCA can Inform Public Environmental Expenditure

- NCA results will help identify priority areas for investment and inform resourcing and management decisions;
- NCA data will help balancing the trade-off (food security, land degradation, biodiversity conservation, etc.) ;
- NCA will provide baseline to monitor losses and gains with natural resources over time;
- NCA data will highlight links between economic activity and pressures on natural capital

	<b>Total investment (Trillion RwF)</b>	<b>Green investment (Trillion RwF)</b>	<b>% Green investment</b>
Public investment	3.94	2.32	58.8%
Private investment	3.39	0.41	12.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7.33</b>	<b>2.73</b>	<b>37.2%</b>







# Rwanda Natural Capital Accounting

Thank you !