Eat Well, Live Well.



TICAD8 Side Event

Unlocking the potential of a multi-stakeholder approach to a healthy food system

Boosting the private sector: how can a private company credibly contribute to food system transformation

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Introduction of the Ajinomoto Group





Dr. Kikunae Ikeda discovered umami in 1908



Glutamic acid extracted from kelp by Dr. Ikeda



Saburosuke Suzuki II founded Ajinomoto in 1909



Ajinomoto's first product was monosodium glutamate (the world's first umami seasoning)



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Help resolve social issues and create value through our business

Ajinomoto Group Creating Shared Value (ASV)

The Ajinomoto Group by Number



About 34,198 people work for The Ajinomoto Group worldwide.



120 plants produce Ajinomoto Co. products throughout Europe, Africa, Asia, Latin America and North America.



135 countries and regions sell Ajinomoto Co. products.



Industries We Serve











Wellness Nutrition Sports Nutrition Food & Beverage

Biotechnology Personal Care



Foodservice Beauty

Medical Foods Pharmaceutical





Our Purpose and Vision



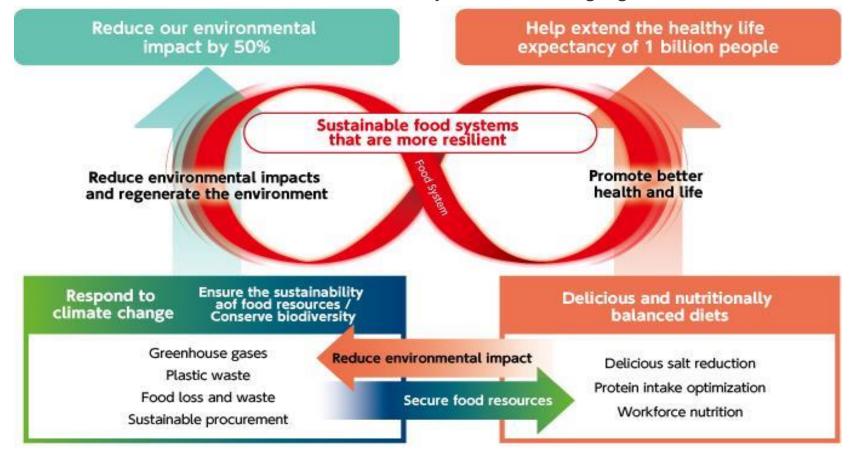
Purpose

Vision

2030 outcomes

Unlocking the power of amino acids to resolve the food and health

Contribute to greater wellness for people worldwide, unlocking the power of amino acids to resolve the food and health issues associated with dietary habits and aging.

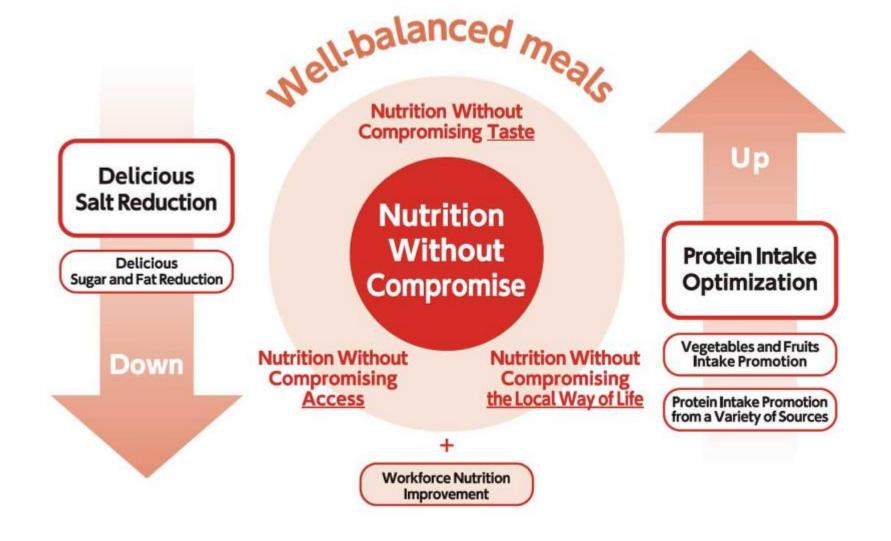


Main scope

Priorities

Our Approach to Nutrition





Our Operations in Africa



Ajinomoto Foods Nigeria LTD

Producing and distributing seasoning products to 28m households in Nigeria and 8 other West African countries, to help make delicious dishes.





Partnership with Promasidor Group*

Delivering top food brands (seasonings, dairy, etc.) across 39 countries in Africa.





*The Ajinomoto Group holds 33.33% of Promasidor Holdings LTD.

Our Operations in Africa



The Ajinomoto Foundation ("TAF")

Mission

Contribute to solutions for crucial social issues through programs for improvement of nutrition through eating well.

History

- In 2009, the Ajinomoto Group launched the Ghana Nutrition Improvement Project to address malnutrition among infants and children.
- "Koko Plus®" was developed to solve issues of protein and micronutrient deficiencies in weaning infants.
- The business was transferred to TAF in 2017, to realize more social impact in collaboration with public sectors.





Our Providing Values to Agri Market





A group of companies providing **BioSolutions** that solve the challenges of the modern agriculture and the food chain.





Multiple products



Registration support



Advice

Natural

Natural innovation

Product Portfolio BIOSTIMULANT & PLANT NUTRITION





Foliar spray

Soil application







Extensive crop

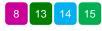
Micronutrients

Specialties

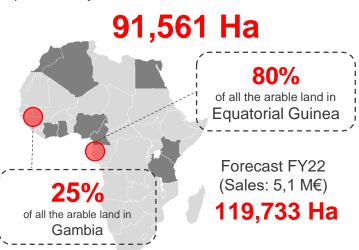
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Land Saving Africa



Only last year with the spreading of our products (Sales: 3,9 M€), simply by increasing crop productivity we are SAVING LAND in AFRICA of





Foods & Jobs in Ghana

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Cooperation with local government programme: 1 Fertilizer (1 Liter) for 1 Farmer, including basic agricultural training and technical advice



SOCIAL VALUE

- Provide small farmers and families with a livelihood and decent work
- Crop yield increase of over 30% Vs traditional agriculture

ECONOMIC VALUE

- FY21: 47,520 Liters = 47,520 small farmers
- Brand image in the region

Kafunjo Project in Uganda



Employees donate \$ to Kafunjo social projects / A2A gives BIOSTIMULANTS and technical support for 8 Ha of crops & feeding orphanage/ Kafunjo spreads the project on social media / Next years possible involvement of supplier-customers buying BIOSTIMUANTS (Sales) to give to Kafunjo



SOCIAL VALUE

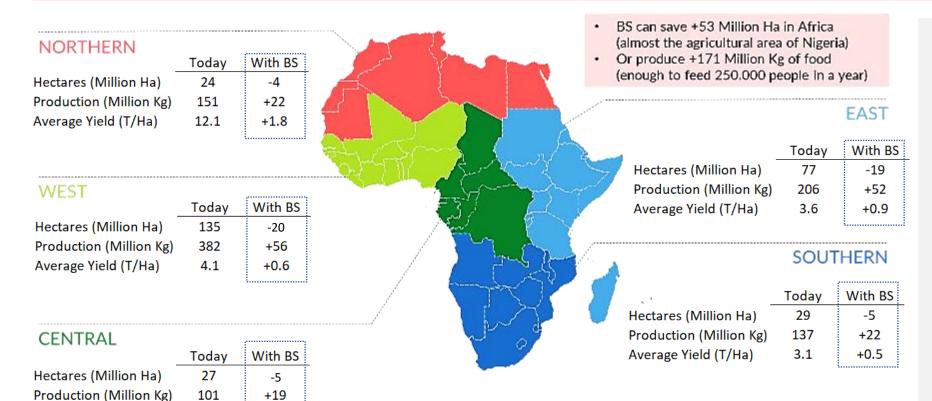
- Local crops yield increases +25% with our BIOSTIMULANTS.
- Support for social projects: Malaria vaccine; food for the community: feeding orphanage children.
- Employee engagement

ECONOMIC VALUE

- Entry into a new market and Brand introduction in the country
- Support for country registration, etc.

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Objectives

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Bring production closer to its potential by using BS

2 Improve profit of African farmers and their living

Reduce the need for NPK* and CPP

*N (Nitrogen), P (Phosphorus), K (Potassium)

The 3 'CO' Casf Crops Example



1.6

+0.3

Average Yield (T/Ha)



Role of private sector in food systems



Industry-academia-government collaboration

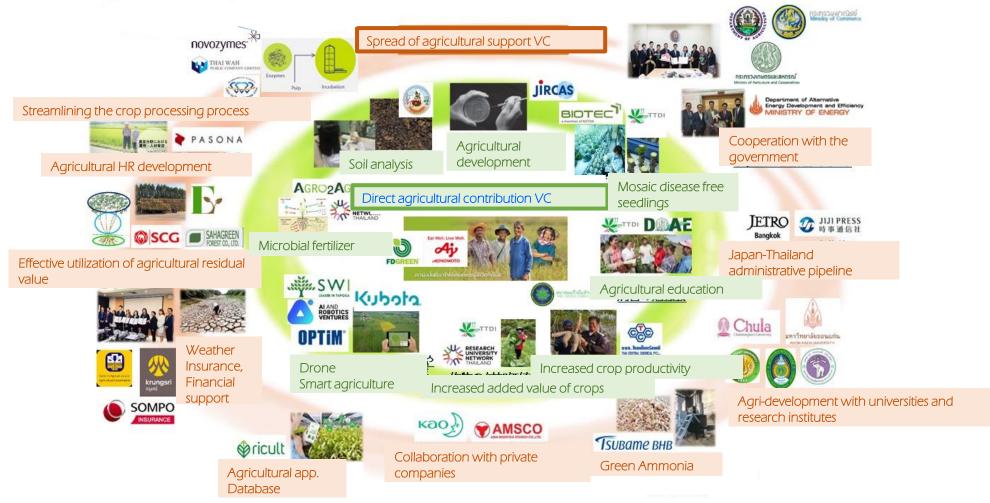


Example from Asia



Initiatives for regenerative agriculture in Thailand

Build an ecosystem with about 40 partners who connect with "aspirations" centered on fermentation and microbial technology

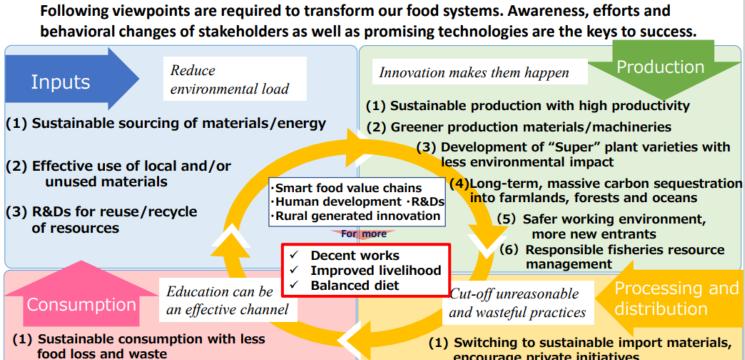


Example from Asia



Collaboration with MAFF

MeaDRI's Conceptual Approach



Measures for achievement of Decarbonization and Resilience with Innovation (MeaDRI),

The "Green Food System Strategy" formulated by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) aims to realize an agriculture, forestry, and fisheries industry that is resilient to disasters and global warming in order to ensure a stable supply of food in the future.

- (2) Bridging consumers and producers
- (3) Japanese diet as a balanced model
- (4) "Woodening" the life
- (5) Sustainable marine products and their dissemination

- encourage private initiatives
- (2) Efficiency based on data science and AI
- (3) Packaging materials for longer haul/long-term preservation
- (4) Competitive food industry with decarbonized, environmentally friendly, health conscious products

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Thank you