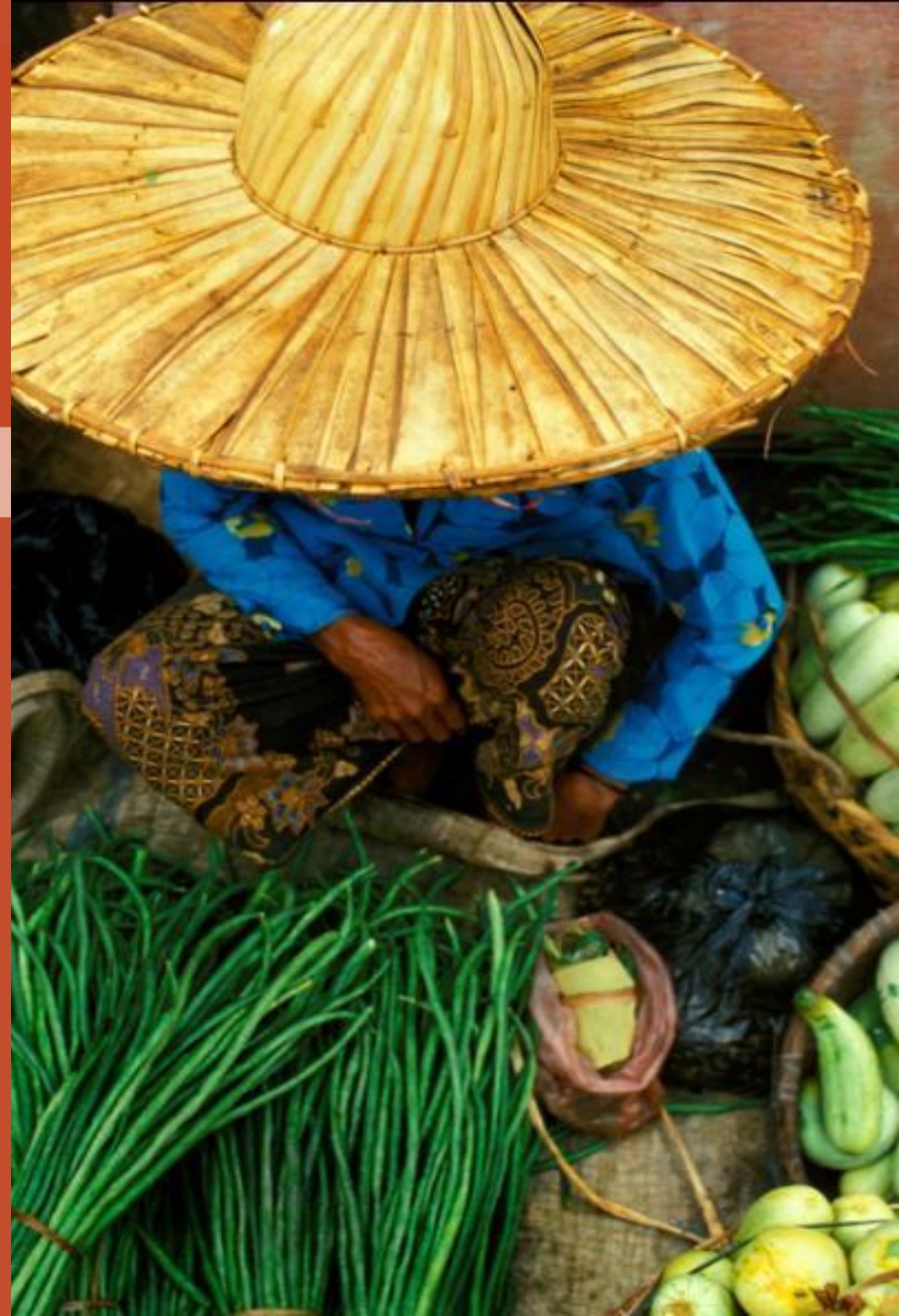




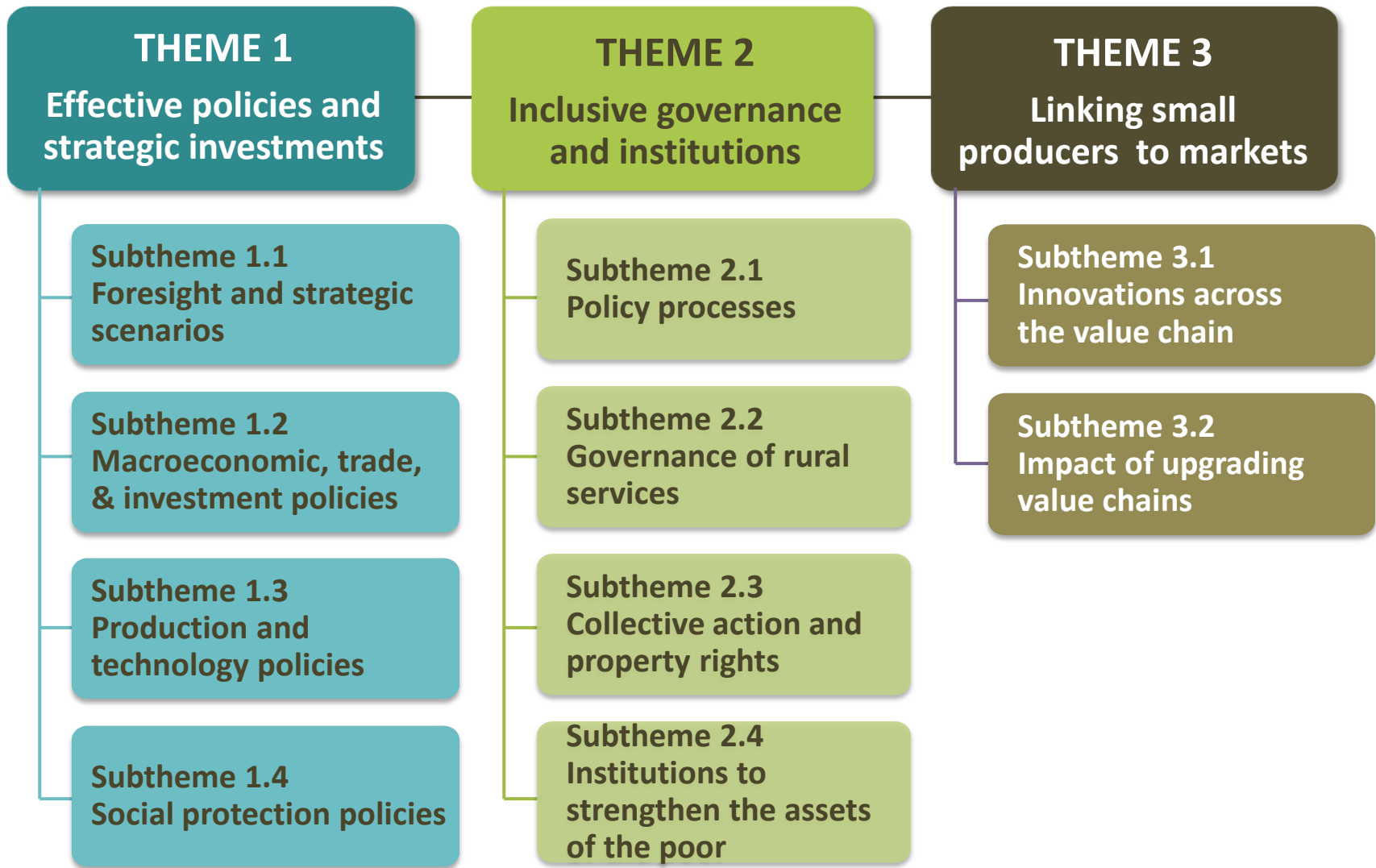
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3 Themes and 10 Subthemes



Theme 1

Effective Policies and Strategic Investments



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Theme 1 - Goal

Contribute to improved policies and investments that enhance food security and accelerate agricultural growth

Subtheme 1.1

Foresight and Strategic Scenarios

- Use foresight and modeling work to improve effectiveness of policies and investments
 - ✓ Designing scenarios reflecting emerging challenges
 - ✓ Modeling the consequences of these scenarios
 - ✓ Using the modeling outputs to assess policies and investment allocations (which investments provide the greatest return on investment?)
 - ✓ A strategic foresight platform



Subtheme 1.1

Foresight and Strategic Scenarios

- An emphasis on models and data
 - ✓ An integrated suite of biophysical and socioeconomic models
 - ✓ Data collection efforts designed to support model improvements
 - ✓ Models available as International Public Goods
- Unprecedented collaboration
 - ✓ A subtheme that involves all CGIAR Centers and all CGIAR Research Programs
 - ✓ Multidisciplinary teams
 - ✓ Data partnerships
 - ✓ Extended collaboration with GFAR

Subtheme 1.2

Macroeconomic, Trade, & Investment Policies

- Identify macroeconomic, trade, investment, and nonagricultural policies that enhance agricultural growth
 - ✓ Which national and global trade and macroeconomic policies encourage inclusive agricultural growth
 - ✓ Impact of international migration and foreign direct investment on food security
 - ✓ Sectoral policies for broad-based rural growth



Subtheme 1.2

Macroeconomic, Trade, & Investment Policies

- Examples of research activities
 - ✓ The emergence of employment opportunities outside of agriculture for rural workers and its welfare implications
 - ✓ Structural changes in the global trading system and consequences for agricultural markets
 - ✓ Demographic change, exchange rate and trade policies and their impact on agricultural transformation and poverty

Subtheme 1.3

Production and Technology Policies

- Identify production and technology policies for pro-poor sustainable growth in agricultural productivity
 - ✓ Policies for equitable access to improved crop varieties and animal breeds
 - ✓ Policies, management, and technologies for sustainable productivity growth under land, water, and energy scarcity
 - ✓ Policies and strategies for technology development and adoption (discovery, development, delivery)



Subtheme 1.3

Production and Technology Policies

- Key features
 - ✓ Addressing emerging drivers of global change: growing non-food demand for agriculture; increasing scarcity of natural resources...
 - ✓ Partnerships with over 40 national agricultural research and extension institutions, in close collaboration with regional organizations (APAARI...)
 - ✓ A systems-based approach, in close collaboration with commodity-focused CGIAR Research Programs

Subtheme 1.4

Social Protection Policies

- Determine how social protection interventions can promote agricultural development and increase rural incomes
 - ✓ Targeting beneficiaries of social protection interventions
 - ✓ Assessing the impacts of social protection interventions on food security, poverty, and assets
 - ✓ Analyzing synergies between social protection and the adoption of agricultural innovations
 - ✓ New insurance products for poor households

Subtheme 1.4

Social Protection Policies

- Key benefits
 - ✓ Improved balance between components of social protection provided by the market and those provided by the state
 - ✓ Design of social protection interventions that reach neglected and vulnerable groups
 - ✓ Improved understanding of the gender-differentiated impacts of social protection interventions



Theme 2

Inclusive Governance and Institutions



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Theme 2 - Goal

Examine the scope for policy, institutional, and governance reforms and contribute to effective and equitable access to rural services, property rights, collective action, and assets

Subtheme 2.1

Policy Processes

- Increase the likelihood that policy research findings are taken up into policy reforms
 - ✓ Improved understanding of the pathways from research to policy
 - ✓ Analysis of community and local government political processes, country specific research
 - ✓ The outputs of this subtheme will help other subthemes of this program achieve impact

Subtheme 2.1

Policy Processes

- Examples of activities/research questions
 - ✓ Country-specific research on the politics of supporting smallholders and women in agriculture
 - ✓ Analysis of political participation and research-policy linkages
 - ✓ Determining political feasibility of reforms and implementation
 - ✓ How should partnerships in food policy research be designed to help research achieve impact?

Subtheme 2.2

Governance of Rural Services

- Identify governance arrangements suitable for providing critical rural services
 - ✓ Impact of decentralization process on public service delivery
 - ✓ Improved targeting of rural services to women, the poorest households, and socially excluded groups
 - ✓ Analyzing public sector reform strategies

Subtheme 2.2

Governance of Rural Services

- Research areas/questions
 - ✓ What are the appropriate levels of political, fiscal, and administrative decentralization for agricultural services in different countries?
 - ✓ How to increase access to rural services by women and the poor?
 - ✓ Study the links between governance and public investment in rural areas
 - ✓ How do land reform programs affect food security?

Subtheme 2.3

Collective Action and Property Rights

- Strengthen the role of property rights and collective action institutions
 - ✓ Research to strengthen property rights of marginalized groups
 - ✓ Interactions between property rights and productivity/environmental sustainability
 - ✓ Research on collective action to empower small-scale producers



Subtheme 2.3

Collective Action and Property Rights

- In more details...
 - ✓ Innovative tenure measures to secure private, collective, and common property
 - ✓ Effectiveness of collective action groups and inclusion of women, marginal groups
 - ✓ Development of intermediary institutions advocating for the provision of secure rights to resources
 - ✓ Building on the work of the CGIAR Program on Collective Action and Property Rights (CAPRI)

Subtheme 2.4

Institutions to Strengthen the Assets of the Poor

- Strengthen poor people's assets
 - ✓ Mapping asset portfolios and understanding asset accumulation and disposal
 - ✓ Roles of assets in men's and women's livelihoods and pathways from poverty
 - ✓ Role of risk management and insurance in protecting assets

Subtheme 2.4

Institutions to Strengthen the Assets of the Poor

- With a focus on institutions
 - ✓ Identifying appropriate institutional structures to enable the poor to accumulate assets
 - ✓ Comparative analysis across country case studies

Theme 3

Linking Small Producers to Markets



Theme 3 - Goal

Increase competitiveness of markets to benefit producers and consumers and provide greater incomes by integrating small-scale producers into upgraded value chains

Subtheme 3.1

Innovations Across the Value Chain

- Remove constraints to and enhance benefits from participation of smallholders to value chains, through
 - ✓ Reducing transaction costs
 - ✓ Managing market risks
 - ✓ Enabling collective action
 - ✓ Redressing missing markets



Subtheme 3.1

Innovations Across the Value Chain

- Innovative methods and research platform
 - ✓ An overarching theoretical framework for existing research on value chains
 - ✓ Linking with the private sector in designing interventions to link smallholders to markets
 - ✓ Innovation in insurance design, measuring and improving market access, financing of value chains, measurement of value chain performance...



Subtheme 3.2

Impact of Upgrading Value Chains

- Develop a framework for assessing the impact of interventions designed to upgrade value chains in Subtheme 3.1 and in other CRPs
 - ✓ A subtheme focused on impact evaluation methodologies
 - ✓ Implementing impact evaluations, and documenting best practices
 - ✓ Cross-CRP subtheme

