

# Application of the MCDA Framework in Zambia

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## Previous work on SPS Capacity needs

- World Bank 2006
- WTO 2008 Trade facilitation needs Assessment
  - 2009 Trade Policy Review
- IPPC PCE 1998, 2007, 2012
- OIE Performance Vision Strategy (PVS) 2008,
   GAP Analysis 2009, Legislative review 2011,
   Interventions
- GAPS identified low awareness, weak legislative framework, Poor coordination
- Capacity building priorities commodity based



# MCDA Framework application process

- A one day national workshop 6<sup>th</sup> August 2011
- Stakeholders private, public and academia
- Distribution of information dossiers to be used
- Discussed sps challenges
- Identified capacity building option to prioritize
- Data cards on exported commodities
- Agreed on decision criteria and weights for ranking



#### **MCDA Benefits**

- Ranking of sps priorities now exist for the country but need validation
- Interventions were already ongoing in some of the high ranked SPS priorities
- More interest in the application of the tool from regional organization, donor projects, Academia and Ministry of trade



### Challenges

- DRAFT REPORT by Consultants validation process derailed the process.
- Ensuring right people are present at stakeholder workshop when options are identified
- SPS leadership and buy in is still challenging
- Re-run of the process and buy in from more stakeholders – increased demand
- Moving the process forward has been slow

### Messages to other countries

- New concept in the SPS arena for prioritizing interventions
- Useful for Donor roundtable meetings when SPS needs have been ranked
- The application process brings various stakeholders together
- A step in addressing SPS leadership and coordination
- The information dossier provides a national SPS status quo

### Message to STDF

- Roll out of the tool may need support in various institutions and buy in from national government
- Memorandum of Understanding with relevant institutions in the initial stages may compel them to use the tool after the pilot



