



#### Agricultural Innovation and Challenges for Promotion of Knowledge and Information Flows in Agrifood Systems in Brazil

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Ministry of priculture, Livestock and Food Supply



## Objectives

#### Purpose of the Conference:

"Explore how to foster the development and adoption of innovation at national and global levels in order to meet global food security and climate change challenges."

#### Session 3.D.

"Facilitating adoption of innovations and technology transfer "

#### **Questions:**

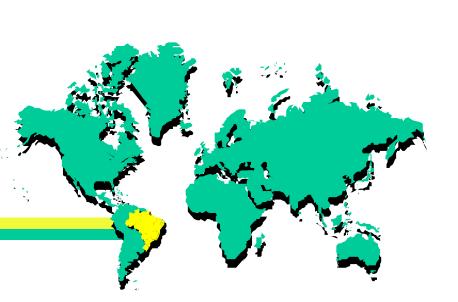
How to encourage innovations that are needed?

How to facilitate adaptation and adoption?

How to reduce the gap between demand and needs?

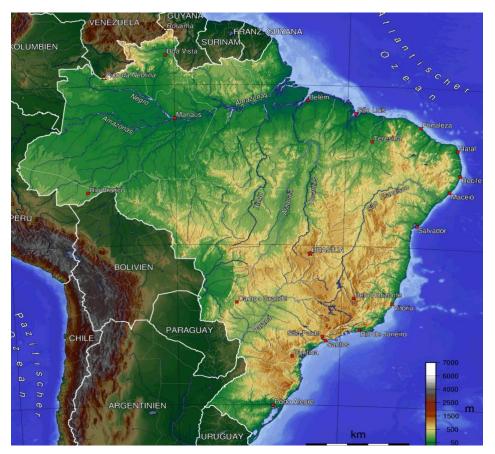


## Summary



About Brazil Agriculture in Brazil Drivers – Advanced Tropical Agriculture Agricultural Innovation System in Brazil Continuum R&D - TT - Communication Final Messages

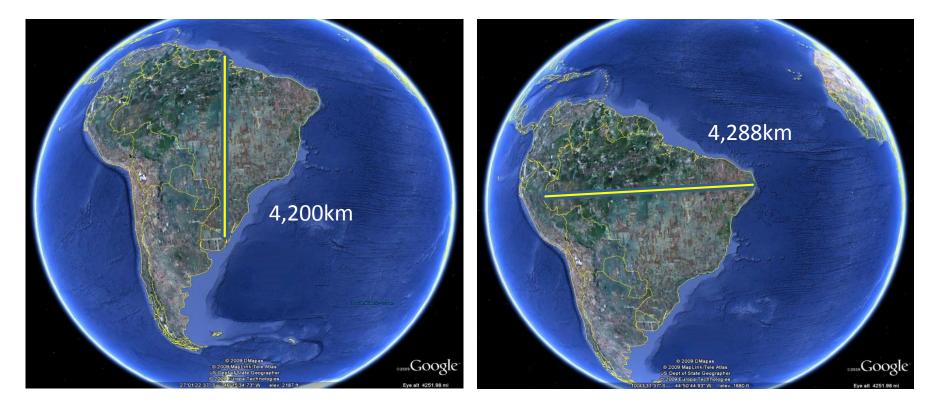




The largest economy in South America;
GDP: US\$ 2,09 trillion (7th biggest economy);
Area: 8,514,000 km² (5th largest);
Population: 191.3 million (5th biggest population);
Brazil has since 1985 a stable democratic government;
10,000 Ph.D. graduate every year;
Rank 13th in scientific publications...

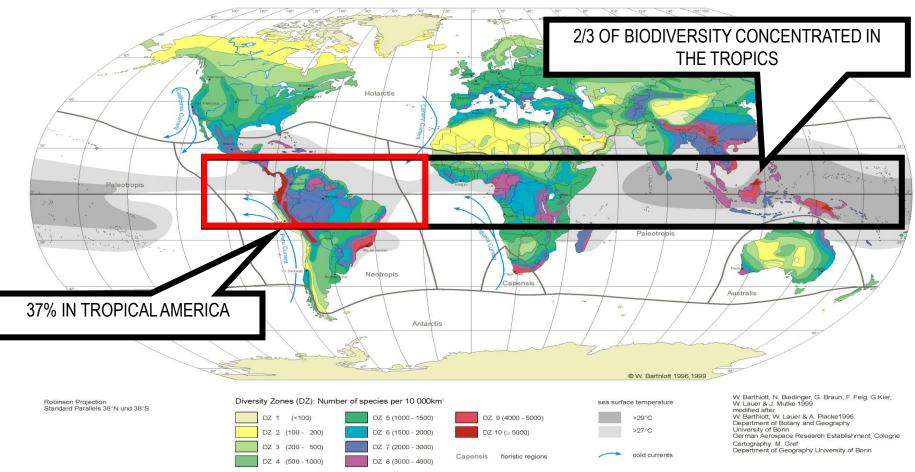


### **Great Environmental Diversity**





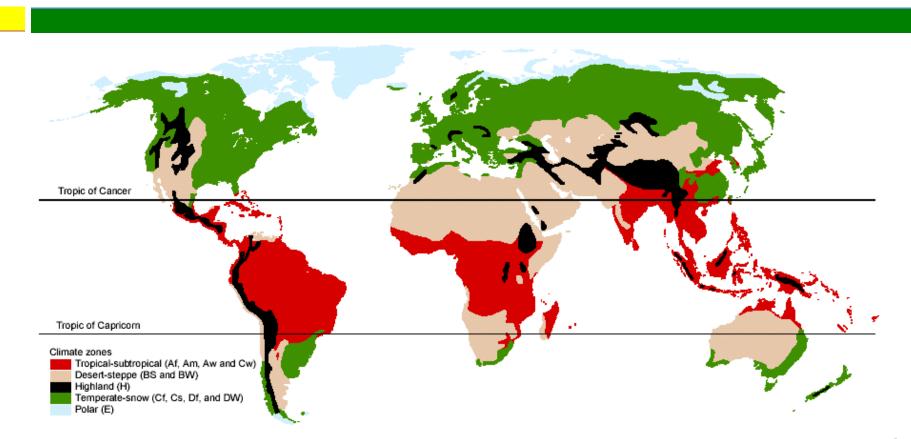
#### A Mega-diverse Country





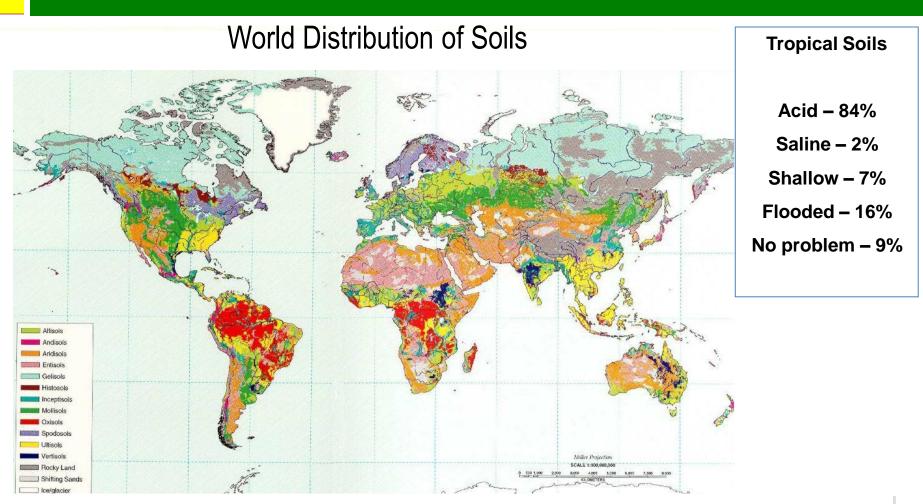
Most of the Brazilian Territory is Located in the Tropical Belt of the World





- Tropical zones are the most challenging to agriculture -Intense biotic (pests) and abiotic (drought, soil acidity, low nutrients, etc) stresses. All these challenges will be intensified with the global climatic changes.



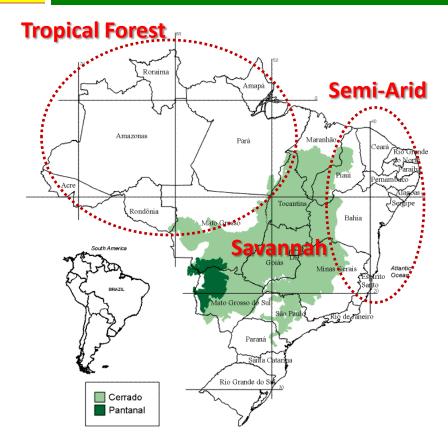


#### Concentration of acidic and nutrient-poor soils in the tropics



http://www.nhq.nrcs.usda.gov/WSR/mapindx/metadata/Maps/ORDERS.JPG

# Agriculture in Brazil before the 1970's



#### Brazil was not a food secure country

- Low agricultural production and low yields;
- Production concentrated in the South and Southeast Regions;
- Constant food supply crisis and rural poverty;
- Lack of specific knowledge in Tropical Agriculture;
- Lack of adequate agricultural development policies.
- Brazil known as coffee and sugar producer.



In 40 Years Brazil Developed an Advanced Tropical Agriculture Complex



# Agriculture in Brazil Today

Brazil became one of the largest agricultural producers in the world

RORAIMA	AREA/ MAIN CROPS	MM HA
AMAPÁ	1- FLOODED RICE	0.95
	2- SOYBEAN	3.30
	CORN	1.30
AMAZOHAS PARÁ	WHEAT	0.60
MAVANHÃO CEARÁ	3- SOYBEAN	3.20
	CORN	2.40
9 PIAUI	WHEAT	0.90
ACRE ACRE	4- SOYBEAN	1.20
	PASTURE	11.00
Rendén	5- SUGARCANE	2.50
MATO GROSSO	COFFEE	0.30
	CITRUS	0.70
	6- COFFEE	1.00
	7- SOYBEAN	1.80
MATO GROSSO MINEGENIS 12	CORN	0.80
MATO GROSSO	COTTON	0.10
	DRYBEANS	0.20
	PASTURE	9.00
	8- SOYBEAN	3.30
	COTTON	0.50
	CORN	0.40
	PASTURE	12.00
	9- PASTURE	10.00
	10- TROPICAL FRUITS	0.07
	11- SUGARCANE	0.90
	12- COFFEE	0.60
	13- DRYBEANS	0.70
	SOYBEAN	0.90

# Brazil Became an Important Food Exporter

#### Exports Number of Main Products Production Exports Markets **US\$ Billion** 1st 124 8.378 Sugar 1st Coffee 1st 1<sup>st</sup> 81 3.762 1st Orange Juice 1<sup>st</sup> 75 1.619 Soybean 2nd Juq 11.413 46 Beef 2nd 1<sup>st</sup> 142 4.118 Tobacco 2nd 1st 100 2.992 1.338 Ethanol 2nd 1st 48 3tq 1<sup>st</sup> 5.307 Broiler 146 310 4<sup>th</sup> 1.259 Corn 49 Pork ∆<sup>th</sup> ∆<sup>th</sup> 81 1.225 Sources: USDA, Ministry of Agriculture

#### 2009 ranking: Brazilian Production and Exports

Around 79% of the Brazilian food production is consumed domestically and 21% is shipped to over 180 foreign markets

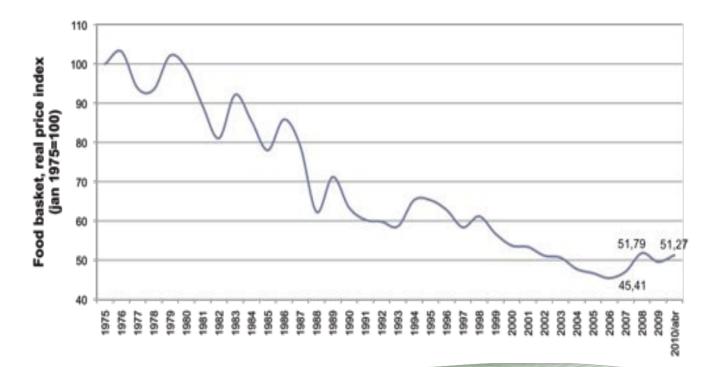


# Brazil Became a Food Secure Country

Brazil Became Food Secure Country in a Short Period of Time

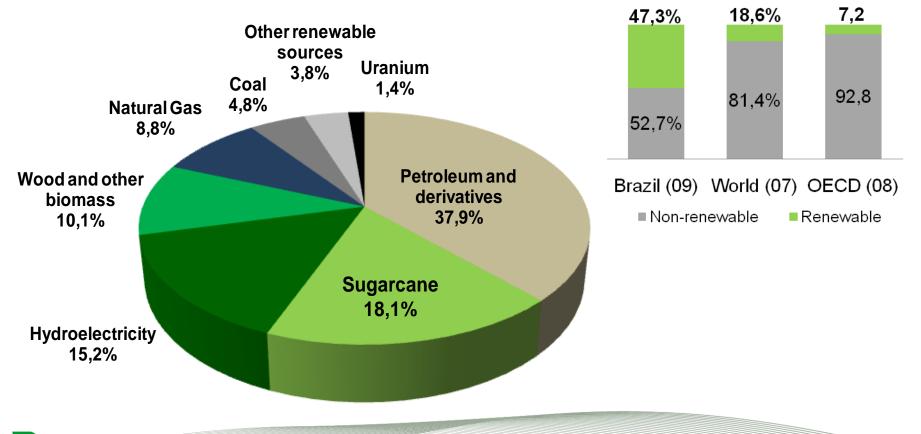


#### Food Basket: Real Prices, Jan/1975 – Apr/2010



# Brazilian Agriculture: Food, Feed, Fiber and Fuel

Brazil Developed a Clean Energy Matrix





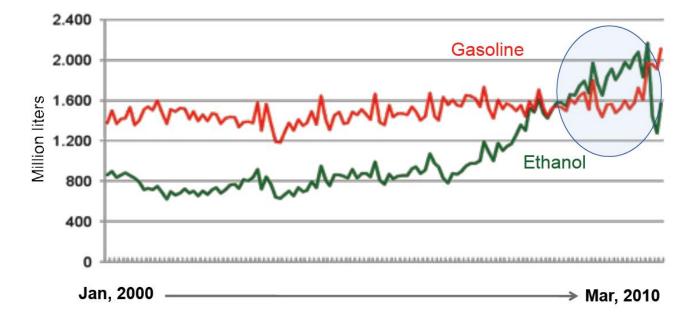
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# Brazilian Agriculture: Food, Feed, Fiber and Fuel

#### 'In Brazil, Gasoline is Becoming the Alternative Fuel'



Consumption of Gasoline and Ethanol in Brazil



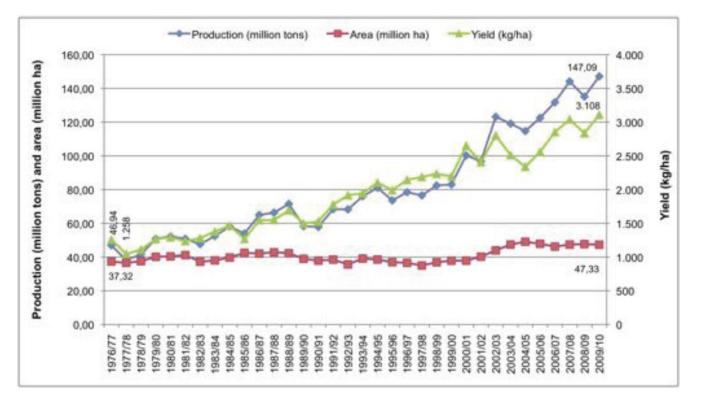






Source: ANP. Elaboration: UNICA.

Evolution of grains and oilseeds production (million metric tons), yields (Kg/ha) and area (million hectares) in Brazil from 1975 to 2010.





Source: Contini and Martha Jr., data from CONAB (2010)

# **Conservation Agriculture in Brazil**

Drastic reduction in soil erosion – improved chemical, physical and biological properties Reduction in energy use - Agriculture is becoming a major "producer" of clean water

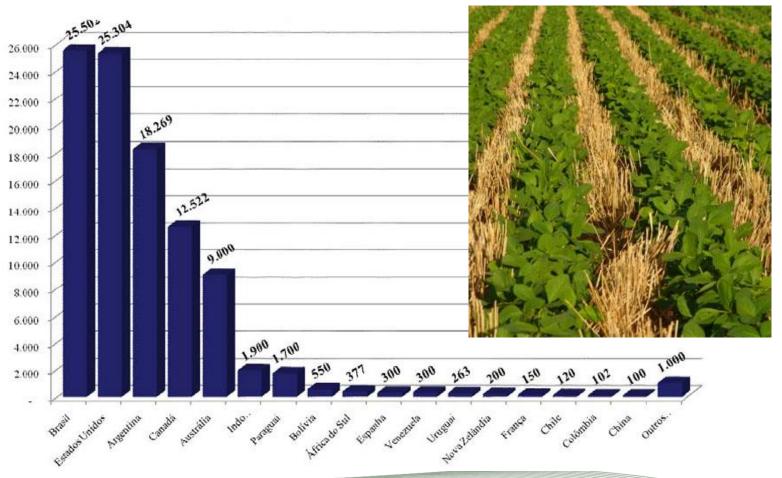




Source: Modified from Oliveira and Trecenti, 2009 - http://tinyurl.com/26ay4cm

# **Conservation Agriculture in Brazil**

Cultivated area under no-tillage systems around the world (1000 ha)





Source: Federação Brasileira de Plantio Direto na Palha - FEBRAPDP, 2006

# **Biological Nitrogen Fixation**

Brazil has become the world leader in replacing N fertilizers by biological N<sub>2</sub> fixation (BNF).

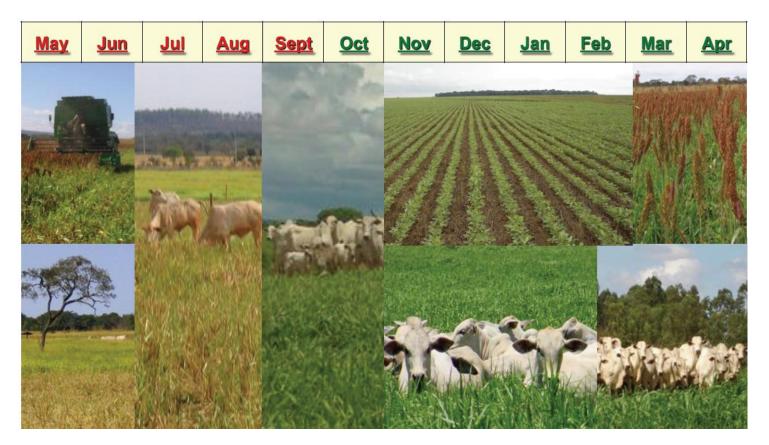


Nitrogen fixation occurs in nodules on legume roots (Source: FAO, Rome)





#### Integrated Crop-Livestock Systems





Source: Contini and Martha Jr., 2010

Intensification of land use with integrated crop-livestock-forest systems Large Scale Operations





Source: MAPA, 2010 - Photos by Votorantin Metais

Intensification of land use with integrated crop-livestock-forest systems Technologies Adapted to Small Scale Farming Systems



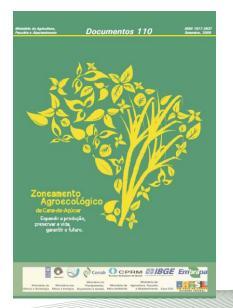


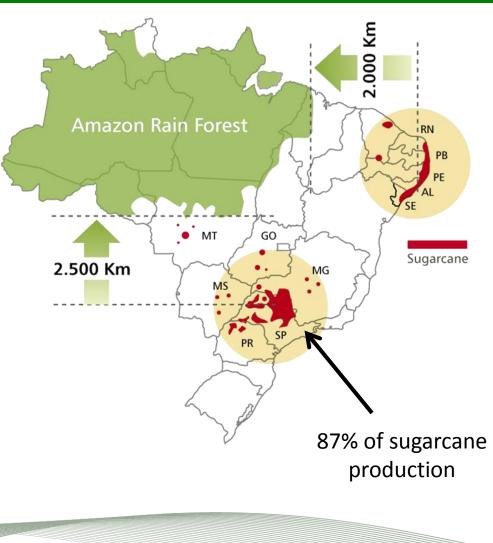


## Agroecological Zoning Plan for Sugarcane Expansion

# Brazil is using Zoning Technology to Manage Sugarcane Expansion

Sugarcane for ethanol production occupies <u>1.5% of</u> <u>Brazil's arable land</u>





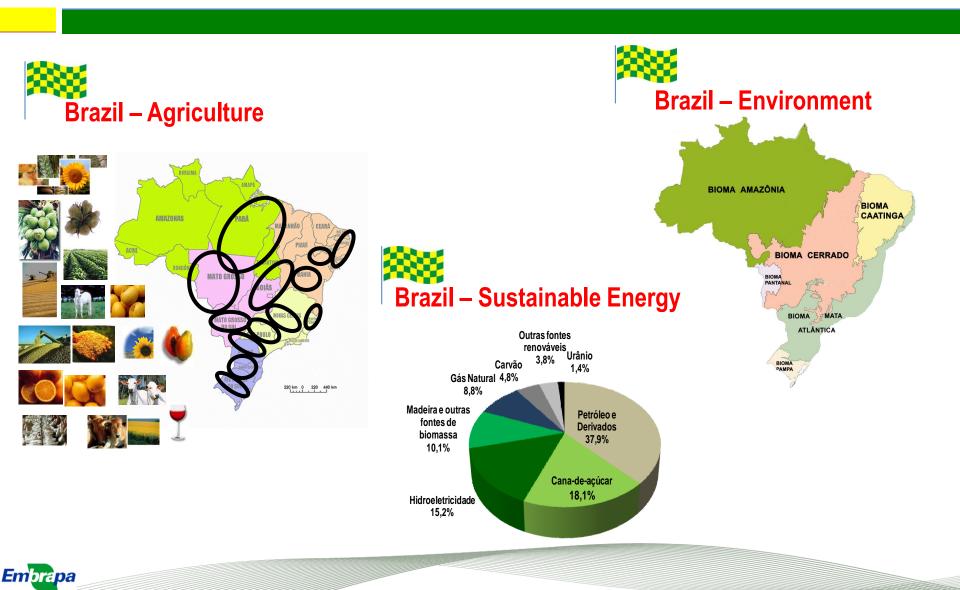
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Key Drivers for Development of Advanced Tropical Agriculture in Brazil



# **Development of Tropical Agriculture in Brazil**

#### Key drivers of Agricultural Development in Brazil

## Government commitment and public policies **Development of science-based tropical agriculture** Availability of basic infrastructure Large extension of arable land and adequate climatic conditions Landscape suitable for mechanization Good physical characteristics of the soils Availability of mineral resources (limestone and phosphate)

Entrepreneurship of farmers





# **Development of Tropical Agriculture in Brazil**

#### Key drivers of Agricultural Development in Brazil

Government commitment and public policies

AG Research, Technology Transfer and Education

#### Credit:

*Technology (seeds, fertilizers, agrochemicals, machinery, equipments)* 

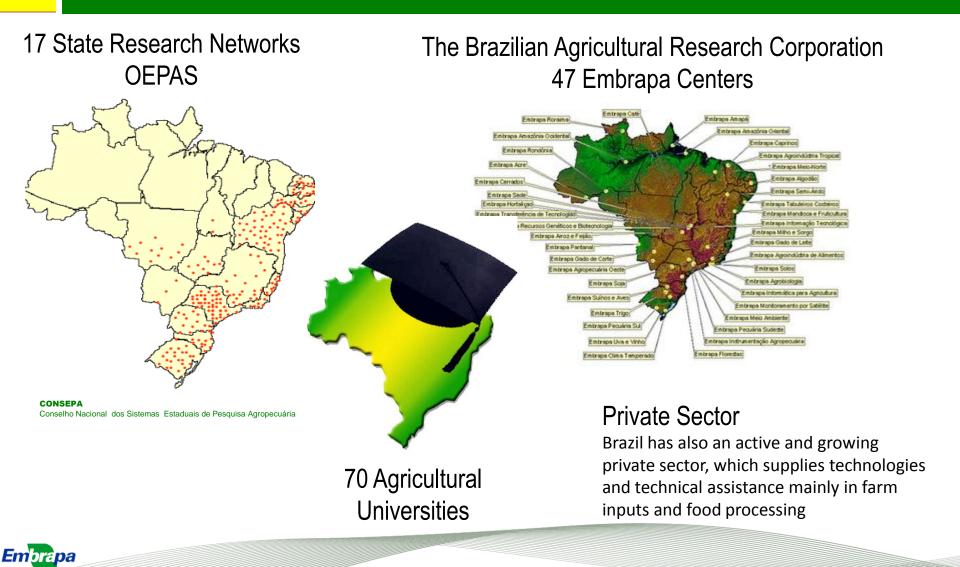
#### Market Development:

Minimum prices Food regulatory stocks Risk Insurance Infra-structure: roads, storage facilities, etc.

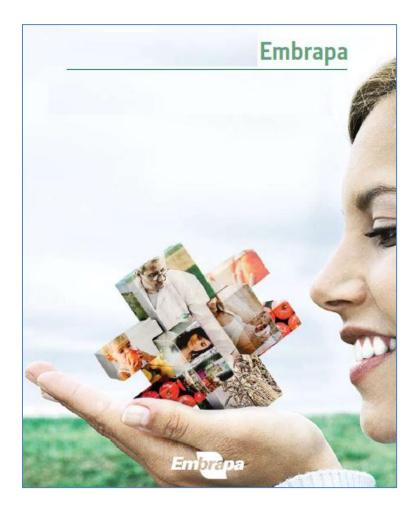




#### Institutional Building and Strengthening Creation of a Comprehensive Agricultural Research & TT System



### The Brazilian Agricultural Research Organization Creation of the Largest Agricultural R&D Organization in Latin America



Embrapa is the largest component of the Brazilian Agricultural Research System and...

The largest agricultural R&D agency in Latin America in terms of both staff numbers and expenditure.

Embrapa is headquartered in the capital Brasilia and operates 47 research centers throughout the country.



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Established in 1973 Employees: 9,284 Budget: Over US\$ 1 billion

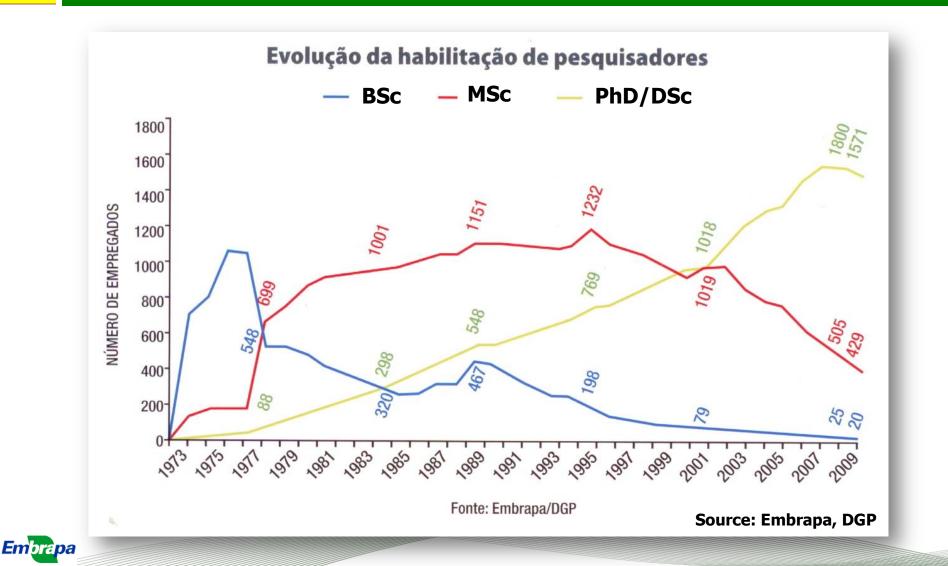
47 Centers and Services



15 National Thematic Centers16 National Product Centers16 Ecorregional/Agroforestry Centers



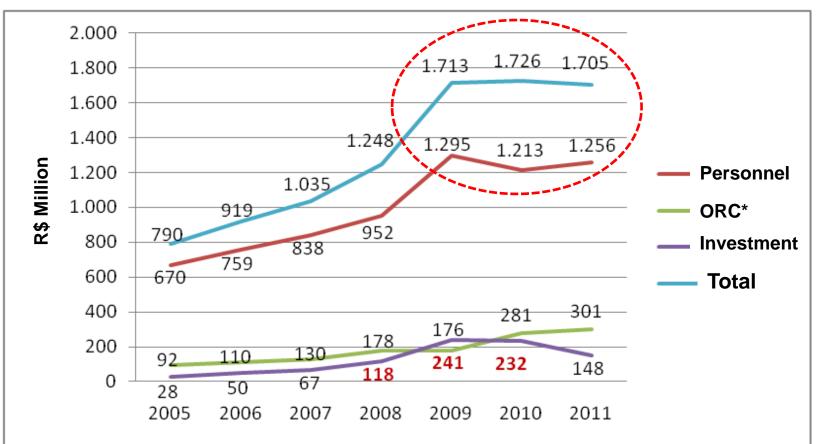
#### The Brazilian Agricultural Research Organization Long Term Commitment to Capacity Building and Human Development



#### The Brazilian Agricultural Research Organization Continuous Government Support – Budget Allocations

**Embrapa's Budget Evolution** 

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\*ORC – Other Recurrent Costs

#### The Brazilian Agricultural Research Organization Continuous Improvement of Infrastructure



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## **R&D and Technology Transfer Strategy**



# **From Problems/Opportunities to Solutions**

#### Embrapa's Management Strategy



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# Embrapa Innovation – A Comprehensive Portfolio

- Inbred Lines
- Varieties
- Hybrids
- Germplasm
- Bioinsecticides
- OGMs
- Agricultural Machinery
- Equipaments
- Kits for diagnostics
- Vaccines
- Crop Management Systems

Products

- Crop Adaptation Processes
- Food Processing Methodology
- Plant & Animal Transformation
- Gene Prospection Methodology
- Integrated Pest Management
- Fingerprinting
- Agroecological Zoning
- Traceability & Certification

- Cultivar Evaluation Networks
- Traceability and Certification
- Forecasting and Future Analysis
- Biological Security Networks
- Gene and Biological Function
- System's Automation
- Monitoring IPM
- Monitoring Environmental Quality
- Monitoring Food Chains
- OGMs & Biosafety

Processes

Germplasm Exchange

Information

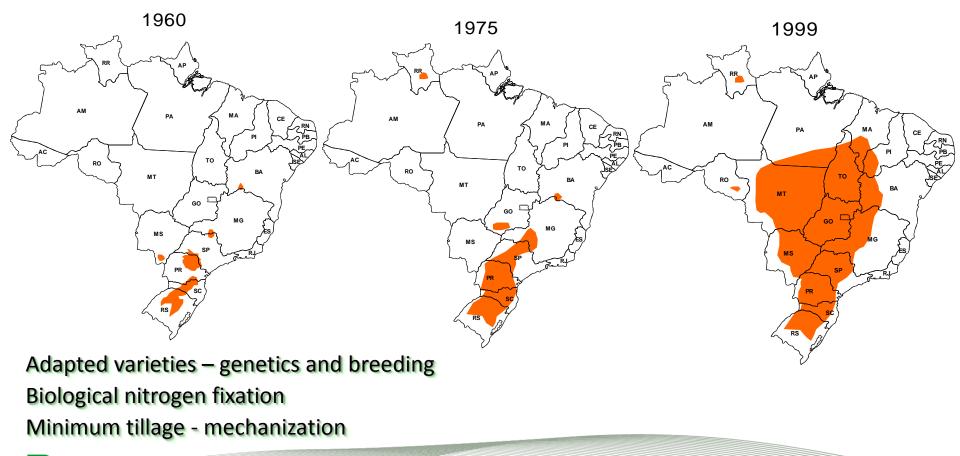
Services

- Quarentine Analysis
- Information Networks
- Franchising
- Quality Control
- Consultancy
- Training
- Business Incubation



# **Development of Tropical Agriculture in Brazil**

#### Brazilian Scientists had to "Tropicalize" soybeans

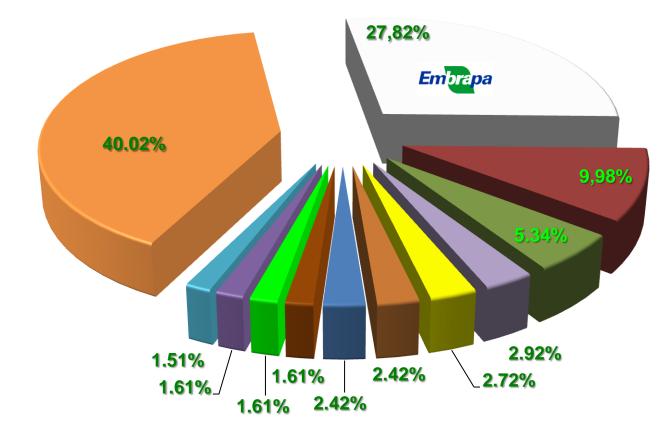


Source: Embrapa Soybean



# **Technology Transfer and Innovation Flows**

#### Protected varieties: 992 (2010)



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Embrapa (276)
Monsoy (99)
Coodetec (53)
Copersucar (29)
Fecotrigo (27)
UFV (24)
FMT (24)
Epamig (16)
Lux Riviera (16)
Naturalle (16)
Iapar (15)
Others 98 (397)

# **Technology Transfer and Innovation Flows**

#### **Technology Transfer Centers**



#### **Embrapa Technology Transfer Centers**

EN da Amazônia EN de Campina Grande EN de Campinas EN de Canoinhas EN de Canoinhas EN do Capão do Leão EN de Dourados EN de Dourados EN de Goiânia EN de Goiânia EN de Imperatriz EN de Imperatriz EN de Londrina EN de Passo Fundo EN de Petrolina EN de Ponta Grossa EN de Sete Lagoas EN do Triângulo Mineiro



# **Technology Transfer and Innovation Flows**

#### **UNIMILHO – Franchising in Genetics**







# Developing New, Cutting-Edge Tecnologies - PPPs

BASF and Embrapa's Cultivance®soybeans receive approval for commercial cultivation in Brazil

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- First genetically modified crop developed in Brazil to reach commercialization stage
- Market launch to take place after regulatory approval in key export markets



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Cultivance® is the first genetically modified crop developed in Brazil, from laboratory to commercialization. The approval is the result of more than 10 years of successful cooperation between Embrapa and BASF, a global leader in providing agricultural solutions. The Cultivance® Production System combines herbicide-tolerant soybean varieties with BASF's broad spectrum imidazolinone class of herbicides, tailored to regional conditions. Photo: BASF - The Chemical Company, 2010

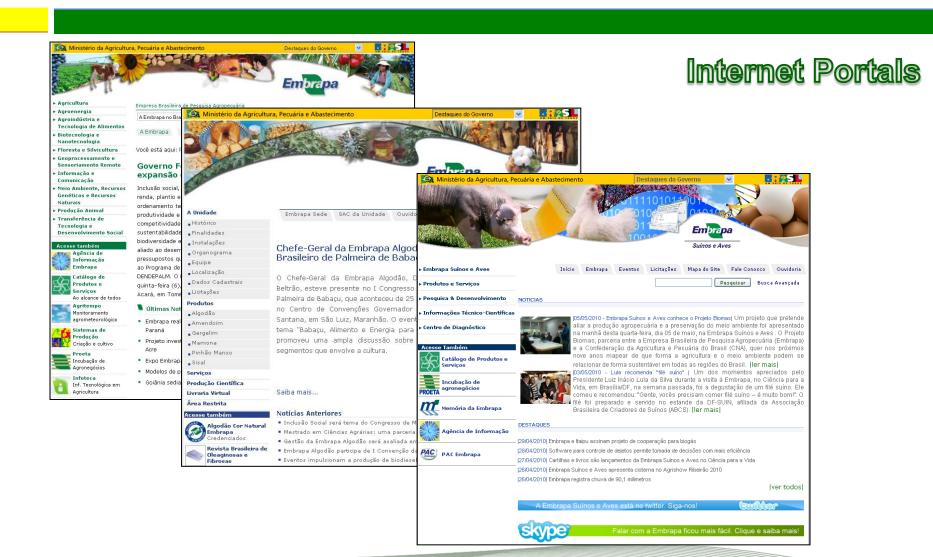




Source: http://www.basf.com/group/pressrelease/P-10-148

Information and Communication Tools Knowledge and Information Flows





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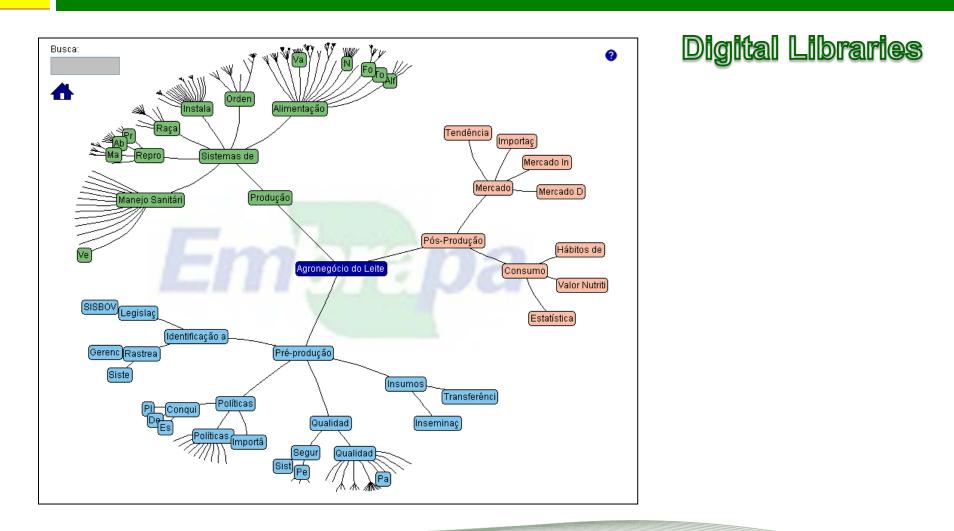
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#### Social Nets



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#### **Educational Platforms**



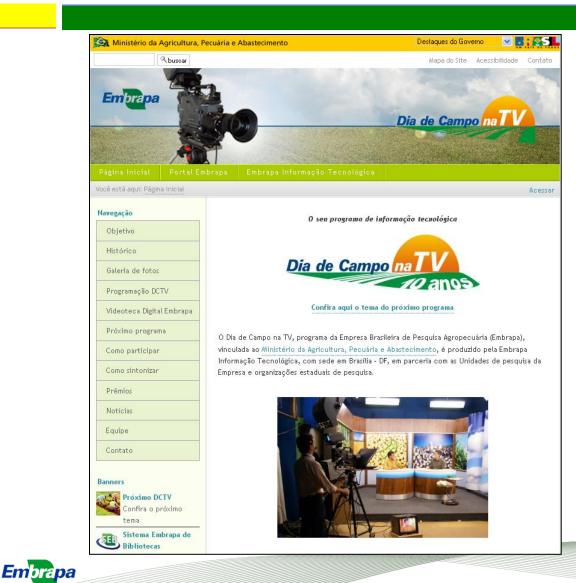
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#### Multimidia



### TV - Field Days

### Training Centers







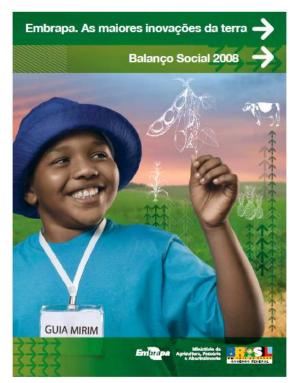






# **Communication with Society**

#### Stakeholders are members of "External Advisory Boards", for all 47 EMBRAPA's Research Centres



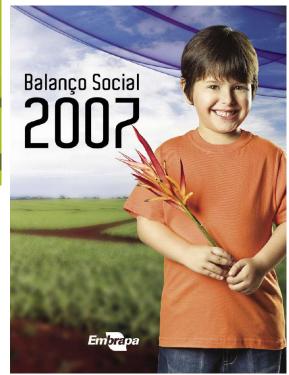
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Embrapa publishes regularly its social balance

Every Brazilian Real (R\$) invested in Embrapa returns between R\$ 12 and R\$14 to the Brazilian society (US\$ 1.00 = R\$ 1.77).

The Social balance of Embrapa in the past 10 years amounts to US\$ 49.7 billion



# **International Cooperation**



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- \* Scientific Cooperation
- \* Technical Cooperation
- \* Technology Transfer

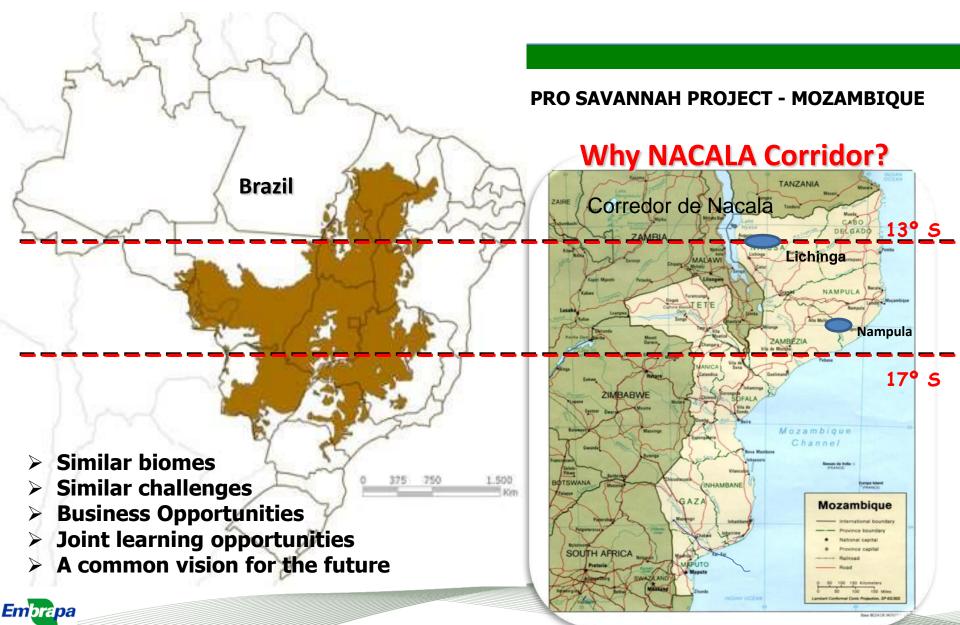


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# Structuring Projects in Africa

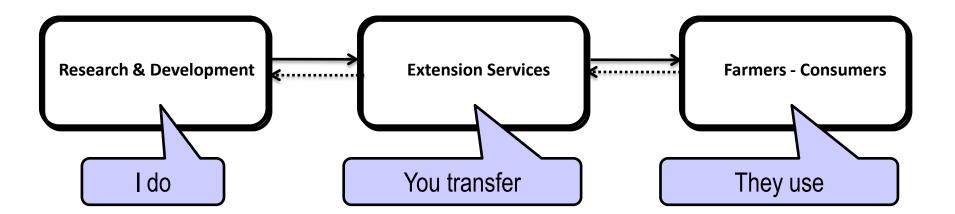


# **Final Message**



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A linear, sequential strategy of agricultural R&D and extension services still dominate the configuration of most agricultural innovation systems around the world...

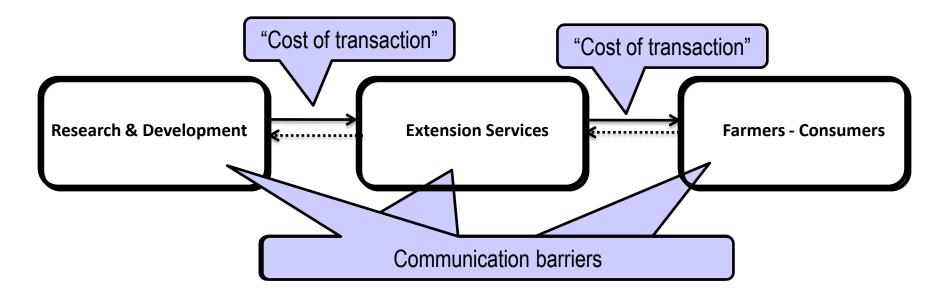




# **Final Messages**

These linear, sequential models must evolve into more creative and interactive strategies. Agricultural innovation has to be understood as a continuum, from problem to solution...

Complementarities, mix of capabilities and experiences, together with effective approaches to cooperation and networking must be viewed as key ingredients in developing this process.





# **Final Messages**

### Institutional Timing x Speed of Changes

**Global Order?** 



Strategic Intelligence & continuous <u>foresight</u>

Informed & Demanding Society



Trans boundary Challenges

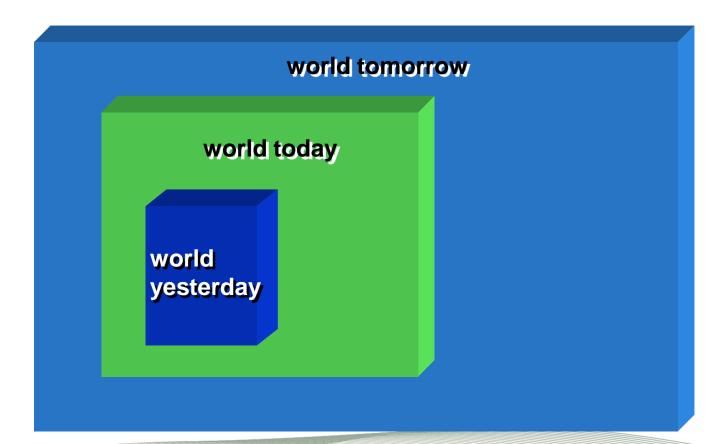


"Languages" & methods <u>Communication</u> Effective approaches to <u>networking</u>



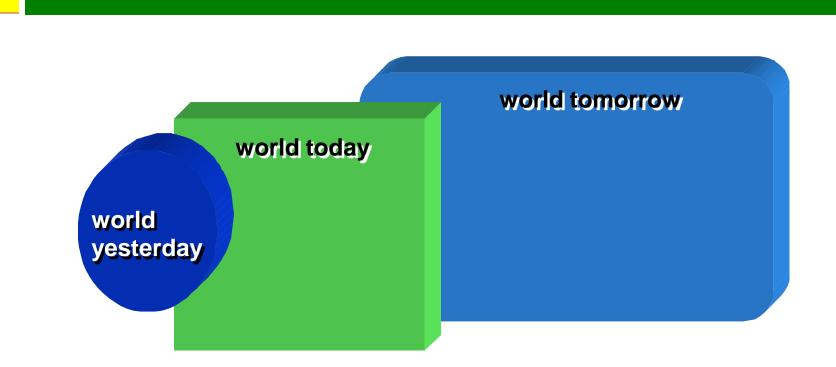
# **Being Prepared for Change**

Moving out of the gradual view of change...





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#### Success only to those able

to learn and innovate in a continuous manner.



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Thank You!

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