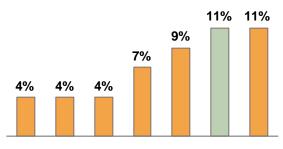
# **Agricultural Investment Opportunities in Ethiopia**



Strong
Economy,
Business
Environment
and
Investment
Incentives

- 11% annual GDP growth rate since 2005
- Projected to be 3rd fastest growing economy in the world for the next four years by The Economist, behind China and India
- Political stability which fosters a peaceful and secure working environment
- Simple taxation structure and tax breaks for investors
- Full repatriation of profits
- Zero tolerance to corruption and fraud
- Large domestic market (~83M); good access to regional/international markets e.g. COMESA (~350m)
- Generous investment incentives e.g. import/export duty exemptions, income tax holidays

### GDP Growth Rates, 2005-2010



South Russia Brazil Nigeria India Ethiopia China Africa

Robust Agro-Climactic Conditions & Land Availability

- Ethiopia is home to 18 major agro-ecological zones and 49 agro-ecological sub-zones
  - The country has the soils and climate suitable for growing over ~150 types of crops, including high value commodities such as coffee, sesame and other oilseeds, cereals, spices, fruits and vegetables

## **Key Land Statistics**

Land (ha): 111.5M Arable land (ha): 74.5M Cultivated land (ha): 15.4M

Annual Rainfall (western region): 200 cm

Key Value Chains for Investment

#### **Near Term**



**Sesame** – High value export crop with potential for improving foreign exchange earnings through value addition



**Chickpea -** Important nutritional crop in Ethiopia with high domestic consumption



**Barley** – Grown by 4M farmers and key for producing malt for the booming brewing industry

### **Longer Term** (not exhaustive)



**Fruits and Vegetables** – Large domestic market, and export potential to Middle East/Europe



**Wheat** – Staple crop with significant potential for import substitution



**Livestock** – High potential for export to Middle Eastern markets

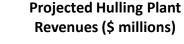
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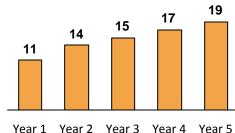
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Sesame – Hulling Facility

- Ethiopia is the world's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest sesame exporter, accounting for 14% of global exports but exports the majority of seeds raw
- Limited domestic processing capacity creates an opportunity to establish a highquality value-addition hulling facility
- An investment of \$6.5M in a **sesame hulling facility** will return an attractive IRR of 43% at the close of a 5-year investment period with 11% Net Profit margin
- Potential for positive social benefits for up to 5,000 smallholder farmers (through nucleus farm/out-grower scheme), resulting in an average of 17% income increase

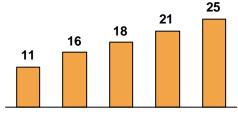




Chickpea – Flour Processing Plant

- Ethiopia offers an attractive market for chickpea flour, with domestic demand for processed products expected to grow
- Limited competition and market gap offers a high potential opportunity to secure early mover advantages
- A \$6.5M investment in a **chickpea flour processing plant** should result in an IRR of 34% and a steady state Net Profit margin of 7%
- Potential to involve up to 27,000 farmers in out-grower schemes

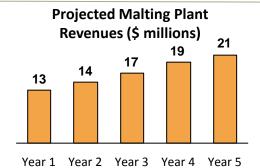




Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5

Barley – Malting Plant

- The Ethiopian brewing industry is fast-growing at 15-20% per year, and consequently, so is the market for malt barley
  - Recent \$400M acquisitions of breweries by Heineken/Diageo, with at least 3 additional plants in pipeline
- Malting in Ethiopia is under-developed, leading brewers to import ~60% of their malt requirements
- An investment of \$25M in a malting plant will yield an IRR of 24% after 5 years, with a Net Profit margin of 10-12%
- Potential to involve up to 30,000 farmers in out-grower scheme, improving incomes by upwards of 60% on average



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