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Highlights on Intra-African trade for agriculture commodities and services: Risks and Opportunities
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Lesotho scores 3.7/10 and is Not on track in implementing the Malabo Declaration on Agriculture Transformation in Africa.

### Highlights of the 5 key areas of strong performance of the Country:

- **48%** for the quality of multi-sectoral and multistakeholder coordination.
- **71%** for evidence-based policies, supportive institutions and corresponding human resources.
- **252%** increase of the value of intra-Africa trade of agricultural commodities and services.
- **75%** for inclusive institutionalized mechanisms for mutual accountability and peer review.
- **65.5 kg/ha** of fertilizer consumption per hectare of arable land lower than the recommended 50 kg/ha.

### Highlights of the 5 key areas that require the country's attention:

- **3.6%** of public agriculture expenditure as a share of total public expenditure.
- **-48.5%** increase of the size of irrigated areas, from its value of the year 2000.
- **-21.5%** annual growth of the agriculture value added (agricultural GDP).
- **0.6%** of youth engaged in new job opportunities in agriculture value chains.
- **43.2%** response to spending needs on social protection for vulnerable social groups, from the government budget.

### Recommendations

- Lesotho should increase public agriculture expenditure as share of total public expenditure in line with the Malabo Declaration commitments, and stem the decline in the area of irrigated land.

- The country should do more to integrate the youth and women in agricultural value chains.

- The country should strengthen agriculture data collection and management systems (monitoring and evaluation) to ensure that missing indicators are reported in the next round of the Biennial Review.

### 2017 Country Scorecard for implementing Malabo Declaration

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- **Overall Country Score**: 3.75
- **Overall Progress**: Not on track

The 2017 Benchmark is 3.94 which is the minimum overall score for a country to be on track in 2017.