

ALLIANCES IN ACTION

ANGOLAN DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE

DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGE

Angola's 27 year civil war ended in 2002 and in its aftermath Angola faced a humanitarian, social and economic crisis resulting from a large returning population of ex-combatants and internally displaced persons. Since the end of the war, the Angolan people and the government are working hard to restore the country's capacity in creating broad-based economic growth. As a potential powerhouse for regional trade and investment--Angola, which is already sub-Saharan Africa's second largest oil producer and the sixth largest source of U.S. imported oil, has tremendous agricultural resources and the potential to recover its status as an agricultural exporter and make an important contribution to Southern Africa's regional growth and stability.

PARTNER CHALLENGE

Angola's business environment is quite difficult as there are problems with infrastructure, unreliable electricity and lengthy procedures for registering and enforcing a contract. In terms of workers there is a dearth of skilled labor and corporations have difficulties obtaining work permits and visas. Chevron Corporation is investing in programs that help alleviate these problems, but also improves ties with the local people.

APPROACH

Since 2002, USAID and Chevron have partnered to benefit Angoloa. In the first generation of partnerships, programs focused on helping vulnerable households become more food self-sufficient; helped farmers more effectively produce and market high value crops; and the start up of Novo Banco that provides credit to small entrepreneurs and low-income households. Current partnerships focus on assisting Angola to increase the yield, quality and market share of local products such as bananas and coffee; build the capacity of both communities and municipal administrations to work together to find solutions to sustainable development; and establish participatory, transparent, accountable structures and mechanisms for local decision-making.

PARTNERS





RESULTS

- Together, Chevron and USAID have invested \$33 million for reconstruction and development programs in Angola since 2002.
- Chevron and USAID have developed a unique alliance model, where the partners jointly and equally conceptualize and manage programs.

FAST FACTS

START: 2002 END: 2012

PARTNER CONTRIBUTIONS: CHEVRON: \$16.2 MILLION USAID: \$16.8 MILLION