Step 0: Description of systems and context

Regional workshop on the application of the FAO Global Analytical Framework for the multidimensional assessment of agroecology

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➢ Preamble to the **characterization of agroecological transition**

➢ Description of the main **socio-economic, environmental and demographic characteristics and contexts** of the systems such as location, household size, productive assets, agro-ecological zone, landforms, forests, access to land, commodities produced and production systems in the region

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➢ Focus at **higher scales** than the system assessed (i.e. provincial or national)

➢ For example, inventory of relevant policies for Agroecology (favoring or limiting), institutional and legal framework, marketing structures for various types of products, socio-cultural, environmental, and/or historical drivers

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For ex, access to natural resources (land and water in particular) or capital, impact of climate change and existence (or not) of adequate policies to address these constraints

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Secondary information (published literature and existing meta-data, such as country reports by government and UN organizations, national statistics, NGO project documents etc.) and semi-structured consultation with key informants are the **main sources of information** for this Step.
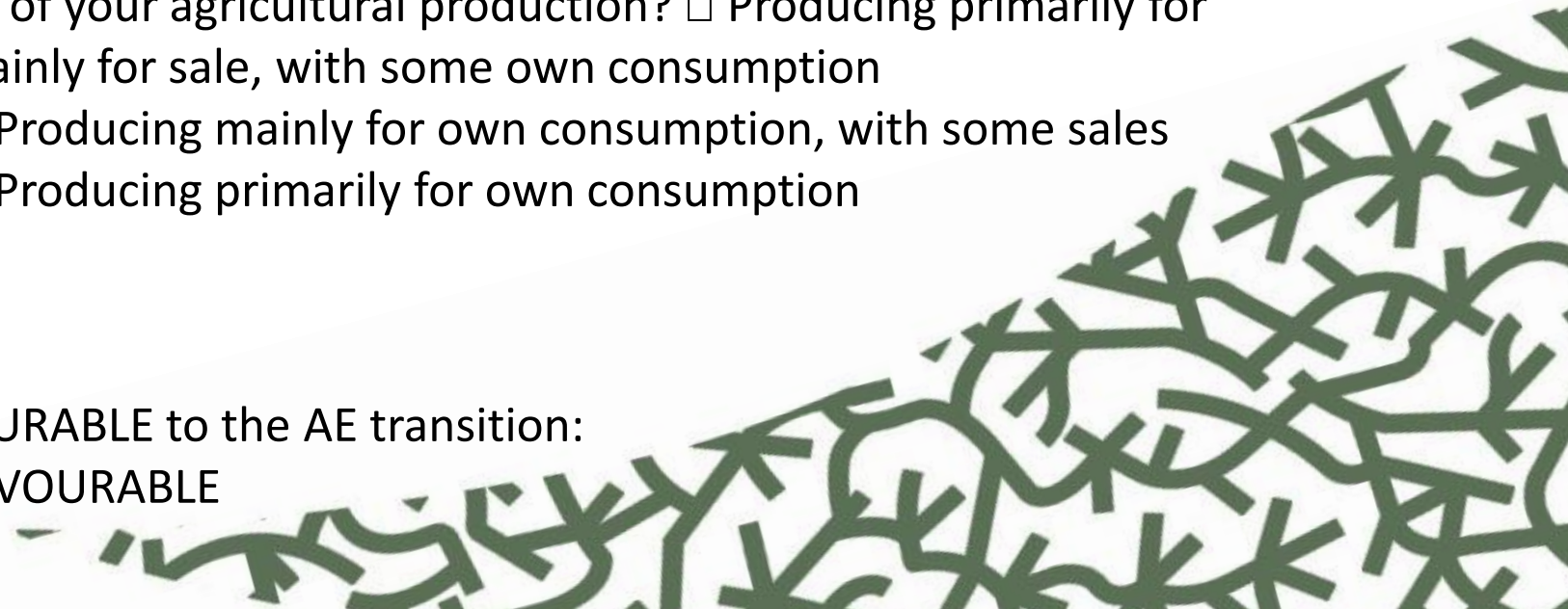
1. Type of system assessed (Household/farm - Community/territory) 2. Country 3. Location (municipality, province)
4. Coordinates of the dwelling (if available) 5. Name of the system assessed
6. How many people live in the system assessed? (Men - Women – Children) 7. How many of these work in agricultural production? (Men - Women – Children)

Productive activities
8. Total area in production (ha)
9. What is the main productive output? □ Crops, □ Animals (including fish), □ Trees, □ Other
10. What is the main intended destination of your agricultural production? □ Producing primarily for
sale (selling 90% or more); □ Producing mainly for sale, with some own consumption
(selling more than 50% and up to 90%); □ Producing mainly for own consumption, with some sales
(selling more than 10% and up to 50%); □ Producing primarily for own consumption
(selling 10% or less).

Enabling environment
11. Existence of public policies/laws FAVOURABLE to the AE transition:
12. Existence of public policies/laws UNFAVOURABLE
to the AE transition

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Group work (20 Minutes)

➢ Select a concrete example in one of the country of your table

➢ Review the criteria for the description of the systems & context

❖ Are they enough? Relevant?

❖ Would there be a need for additional criteria?

→ Present to all other tables main findings from the group work in **3 minutes**