**Table 1: Three Phases of Network Formation for African Agricultural Transformation\***

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|  | **Key Institutional Actors** | **Key individuals** | **Key moments** |
| **Phase 1**  (late 1980s-2004) | * Michigan State University (MSU) * International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) * U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) * Partnership to Cut Hunger and Poverty in Africa (PCHPA) * African Union (AU) * New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD) * Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) * African governments * World Bank * Yara International | * Peter McPherson - MSU/PCHPA * Julie Howard - MSU/PCHPA * Richard Mkandawire - CAADP * Ousmane Badiane - WB/IFPRI/CAADP * Jeff Hill - USAID/PCHPA | 1980s MSU launches long-term food security research program with USAID  1990-1 USAID launches ABSP, housed at MSU  1994 IFPRI launches 2020 Vision initiative  2000 African political leaders launch NEPAD  2000-2 PCHPA established  2002 FAO starts developing ag policy frameworks and action plans  2002 USAID launches IEHA  2003 AU/NEPAD launches CAADP |
| **Phase 2**  (late 1990s-2010) | * Rockefeller Foundation (RF) * Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) * Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA) * African Agricultural Technology Foundation (AATF) * USAID * African governments | * Kofi Annan - UN * Robert Herdt - RF * Gary Toenniessen - RF * Gordon Conway - RF * Rajiv Shah - BMGF * Roy Steiner - BMGF * Namanga Ngongi - RF * Akin Adesina - RF ­ * Joe DeVries - RF | 1997 RF establishes Africa ag dev’t program  2002 Annan commissions IAC Report: *Realizing the Promise and Potential of African Agriculture*  2004 RF, biotech firms establish AATF  2005 BMGF decides to go into agricultural development  2006 BMGF partners with RF to form AGRA  2007 Rwanda is first country to sign CAADP compact  2010 USAID launches Feed the Future program |
| **Phase 3**  (2009-present) | * Grow Africa * AGRA * WEF * World Bank * African Union Commission * NEPAD * African governments * Yara International * African Development Bank (AfDB) * McKinsey & Company * USAID | * Akin Adesina - RF * Arne Cartridge - Grow Africa * Ibrahim Mayaki - NEPAD * Strive Masiyiwa - AGRA * Rajiv Shah - USAID/RF | 2009 WEF launches “New Vision for Agriculture” initiative  2011 RF holds Abuja Summit on “Realizing the Potential of Africa’s Agriculture”  2011 Grow Africa established  2012 New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition (NAFSN) launched  2016 PIATA launched  2016 AfDB publishes strategic plan, *Feed Africa: Strategy for Agricultural Transformation in Africa 2016-2025* |

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\* Due to space constraints, this list is necessarily partial and largely corresponds to the discussion in the text.