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**Presentation RTA
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Round Table Africa

- **ESAMI (East and Southern African Management Institute), Arusha, Tanzania,**
 - **MBA, Executive Training, Consulting**
- **Maastricht School of Management, The Netherlands (MsM), 80 staff, 50 years old**
 - **Education (DBA, EP, MBA in 20+ C.)**
 - **Consulting and Research (Sustainable Development Centre)**
- **Dutch Ministry of Development Cooperation**



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- RTA = PhD/ DBA/ MBA with a link to business development and policy research
- Round Table Indonesia
- Partnership research Horticultural sector in Africa and Asia
- Partnership research in the water and other service sectors in Africa



Round Table Africa (RTA) : vision and approach

- Equitable, sustainable economic development globally through the **balanced interplay of the main actors in society**: the private sector, civil society and the public sector.
- RTA assists organizations, both within and outside Europe, in their attempts to **enhance regional, national and local economic development** in emerging economies.



RTA: areas of expertise

- Expertise on **sustainable economic development through a multidisciplinary approach focusing on:**
 - **1. Competitiveness** as a firm, regional and national strategy
 - **2. Value chain** analysis
 - **3. Emergence and management of partnerships** between profit and non-profit actors as a governance mechanism

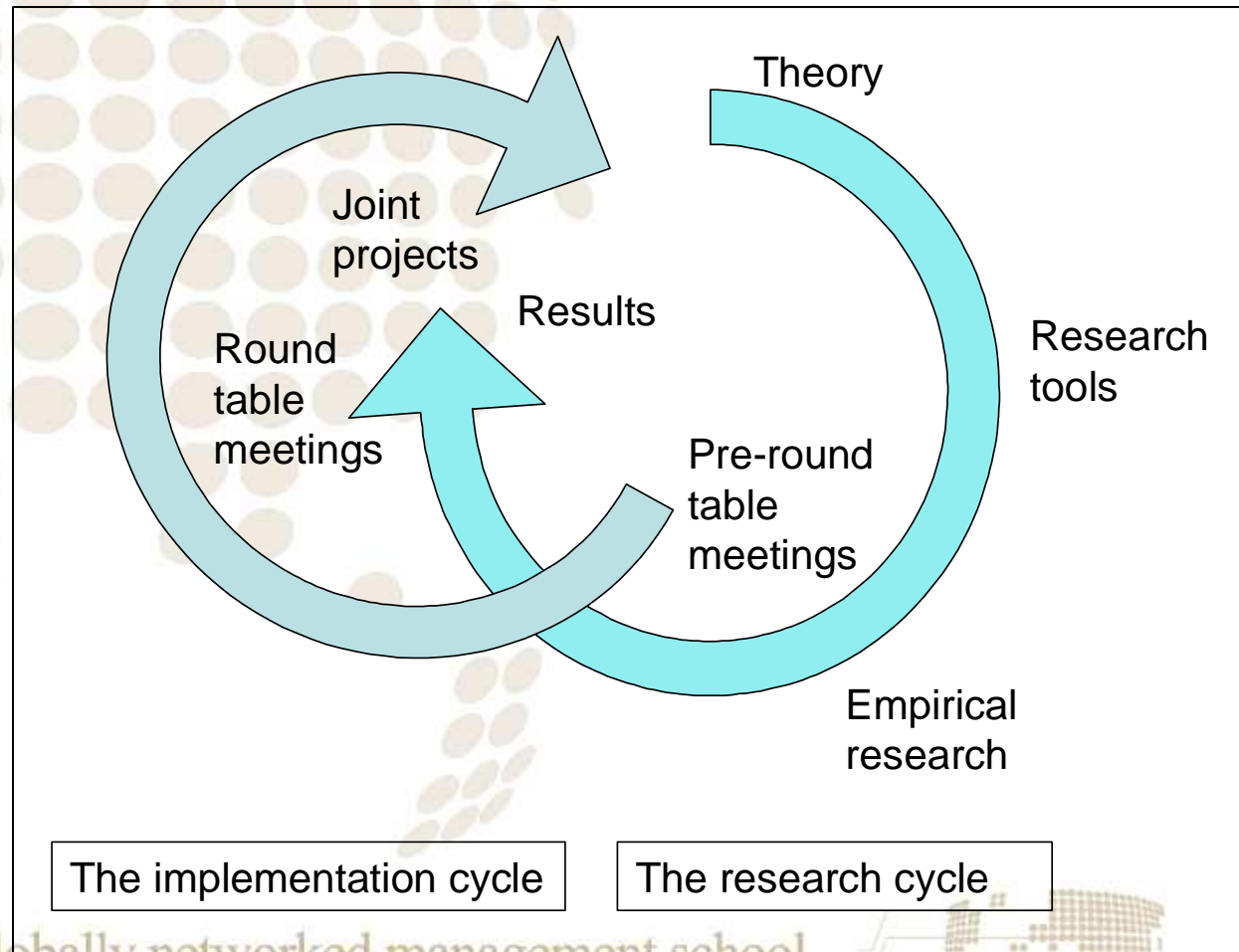


RTA: type of activities

- Offer **business advice and linking**, development, facilitation, matchmaking, counselling, coaching, and project management
- **Applied research** on competitiveness, value chains, partnerships and multi-stakeholder platforms;
- Contribute to **Academic programs** such as Executive Programs, M.Sc. in Management, MBA and DBA/ Phd



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Round Table Africa

- **Selection of 30 African Phd students (out of 120)**
- **Value chain analysis on gaps and opportunities**
- **Value chain analyses (identification of gaps and opportunities in four clusters:**
 - **Extractive industries (mining)**
 - **Agricultural industries (e.g. Sugar, Timber, Fruits and Vegetables, Cotton, Flowers)**
 - **Manufacturing (Packaging, Construction, Leather Processing)**
 - **Tourism**

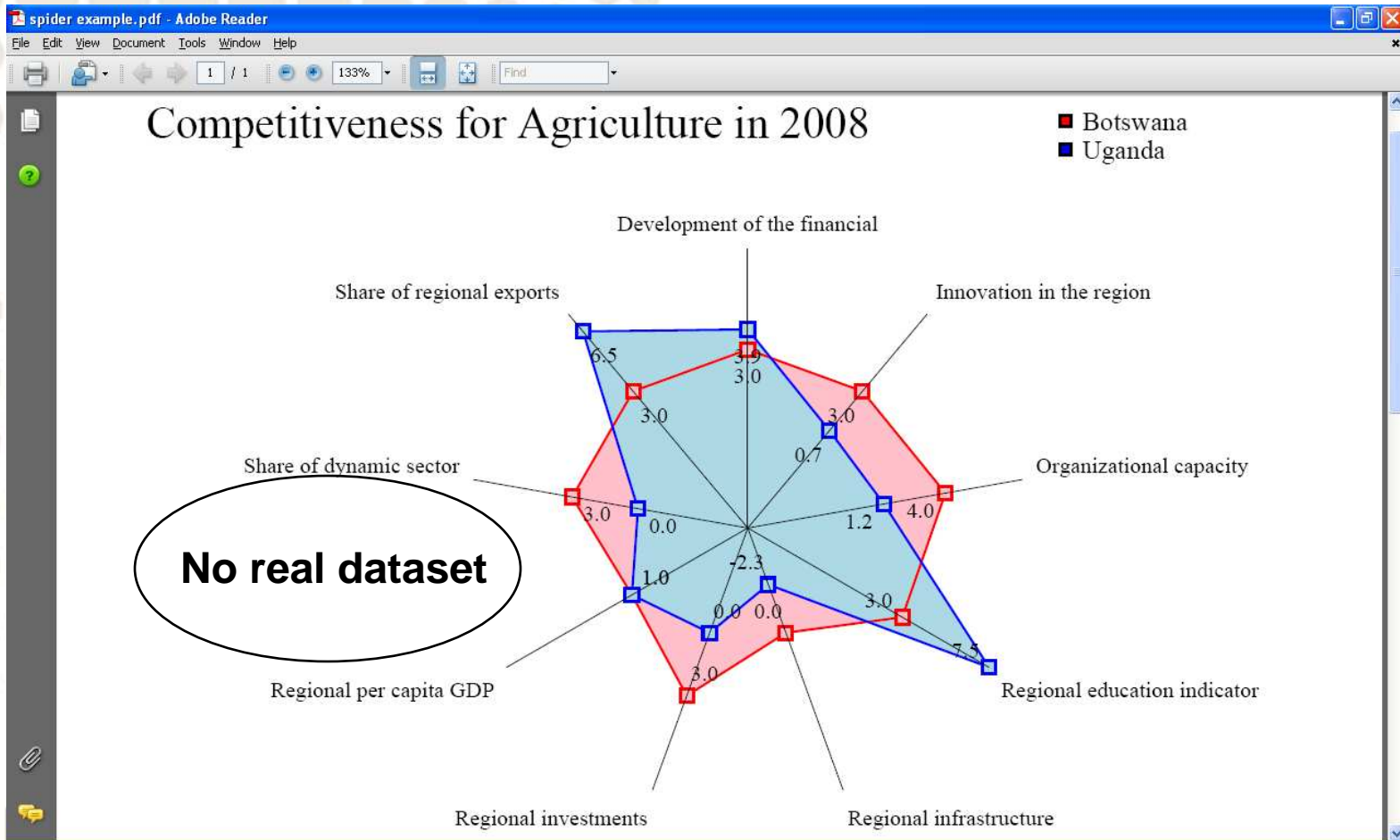


Round Table Africa (continued)

- Started two years ago
- Focus on 4 East African countries initially (TZ – KE – ZM – UG)
- Possible matchmaking with venture funds and or European or other investors
- Development of online regional databases (resources, competitiveness, organizations)



Round Table Africa database per country and sub-region



RTA: plans for 2009/ 2010/ 2011

- Further research in the selected areas of the 30 students
- The development of at least 5 institutionalised round tables
- The development and guidance of at least 5 potential investment projects
- And 3 policy research projects
- Seed funding for these activities



**Questions?
Thanks!**

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