

### Development of high yielding and drought tolerant cashew varieties

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#### Origin of Cashew

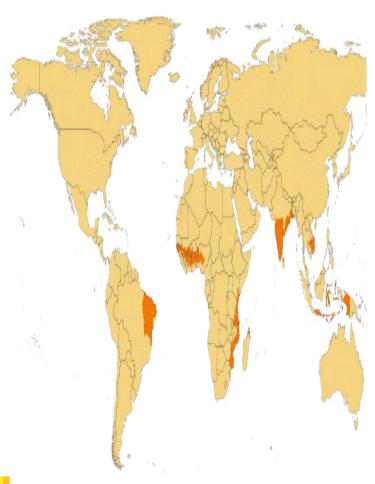
□ Cashew(Anacardium occidentale) originated from Brazil.

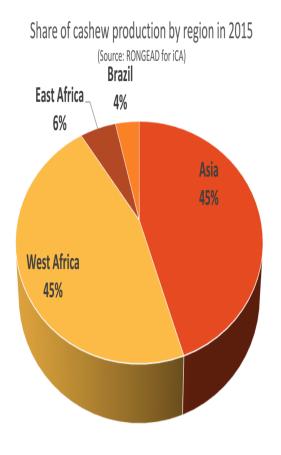
□ Production is centered in tropical regions of the world





### Main Cashew production regions in the world









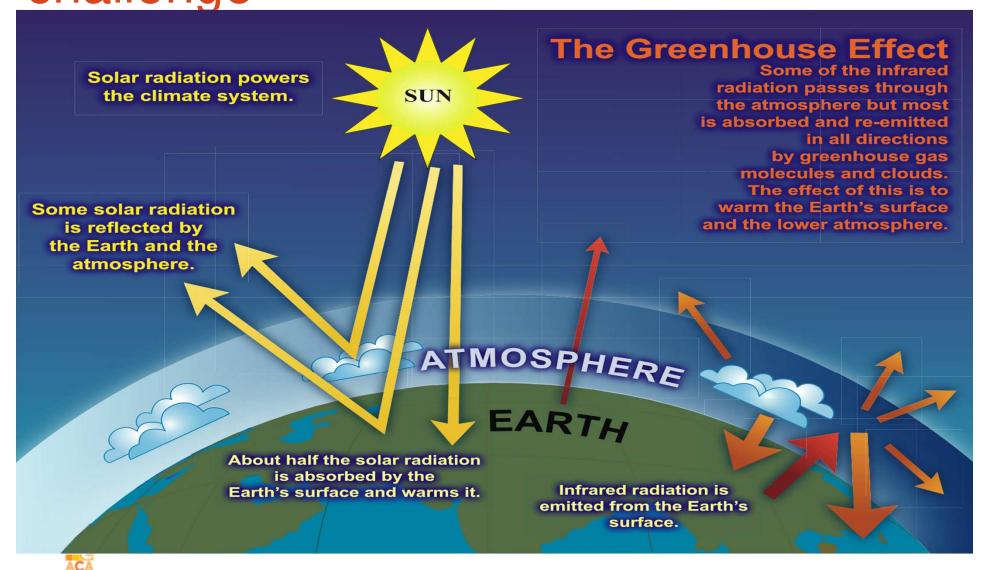
## What are the challenges confronting cashew production?

- ☐ Low yields?
- ☐ Low kernel percentage outturn?
- ☐ Pest and Disease?

☐ Impact of Climate change?



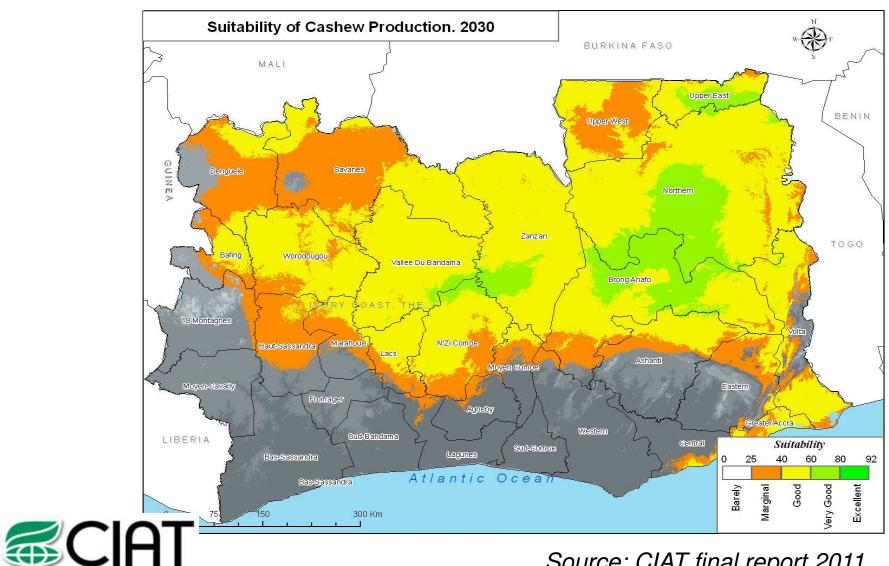
How do we address the present 11th ACA Annual Cashew Conference challenge

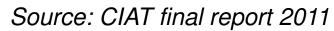


Source: Voice of Djibouti, 2015

Cotonou, Benin September 18-21, 2017

#### Suitability of cashew production. 2030 what happens next?

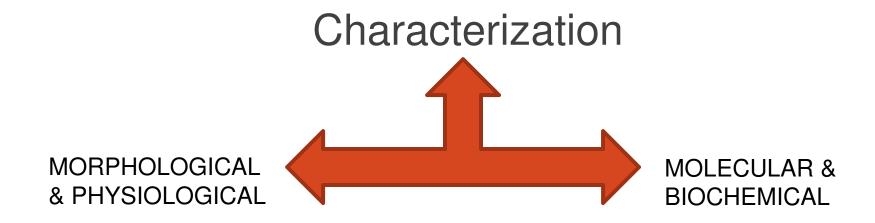






# How do we address the present and future challenges

□ Access to well characterized germplasm collection.





### Mating design utilized

#### Diallel mating design

	Males	SG 136	SG266	BE 268	4SG 224
		Α	В	С	D
Females					
A SG136		-	AB	AC	AD
B SG266		ВА	-	ВС	BD
C BE 268		CA	СВ	-	CD
D SG 224		DA	DB	DC	-





### Development of improved planting materials tolerant to drought.

