

DEAL #7682

Location



Location #1

Spatial accuracy level

Administrative region

Location

Masindi, Uganda



Target country

Uganda

Comment on location

Currently JI manages a network of 60 Joseph Centers, with 40 around Masindi and a further 20 in Mubende.

Location #2

Spatial accuracy level

Administrative region

Location

Mubende, Uganda



Target country

Uganda

Comment on location

Currently JI manages a network of 60 Joseph Centers, with 40 around Masindi and a further 20 in Mubende.

General info



Intention of investment

Intention of investment
Comment on intention of investment

Food crops
Through JI, Agilis aggregates grains and oilseeds from Asili Farms and smallholder farmers. JI supplies food manufacturers, aid markets and protein producers.

Nature of the deal

Nature of the deal
Comment on nature of the deal

Pure contract farming
JI plans to use its established village collection centre network to provide extended services for smallholders such as the provision of fertilizer, pesticides and improved hybrid seed material coupled with seasonal loans extended by local Financial Institutions who show interest to expand into agricultural lending. (JI) takes an integrated approach to trading, combining rural collection centres with village buying agents to collect maize in small quantities from remote farmers and making payments to them on the spot

Negotiation status

Negotiation status

Concluded (Contract signed)

Implementation status

Implementation status
Comment on implementation status

[2013] In operation (production)
JI launched operations during the January 2013 harvest season.

Contract farming

Contract farming
Comment on contract farming

Yes
In 2016, 13,000 smallholder farmers delivered maize to the companies village outlets for bulking and processing. In 2018, Joseph Initiative with Asili Farms, trained more than 3,500 farmers. These farmers were subsequently integrated into the 15,000 farmers' supply network.

Employment



Number of total jobs created

Jobs created (total)	Yes
Planned number of jobs (total)	720
Planned employees (total)	720
Comment on jobs created (total)	By the end of 2015, JI expects to be employing 720 people.

Investor info



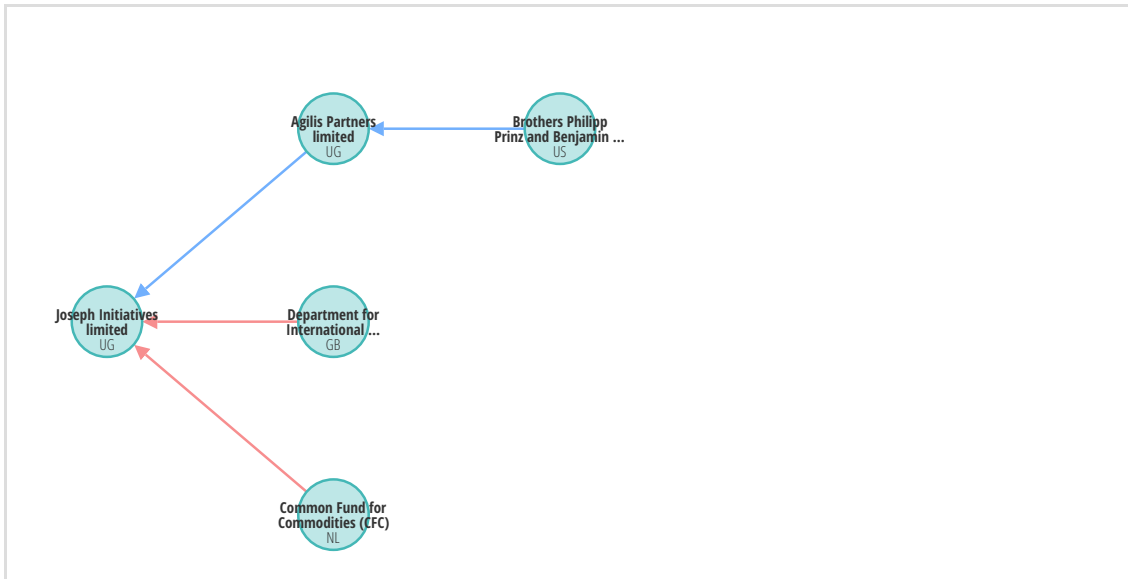
Operating company

Operating company
Name of investment project
Comment on investment chain

Joseph Initiatives limited (#41971)
Josephs centres
Agilis successfully completed the acquisition of the Joseph Initiative by buying the stakes of

multiple minority shareholders including Dutch Oak Tree Foundation's (DOTF) shares. DOB Equity acted for and on behalf of DOTF.

Network of parent companies and tertiary investors/lenders. Please right-click the nodes to get more details.



Legend

- ← Is parent company of
- ← Is tertiary investor/lender of
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- Right-click on investors to get more information.
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Data sources

Data source #1

Data source type	Research Paper / Policy Report
URL	https://www.kit.nl/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/56322d6a6cb4d_KIT27_CFC_14_paper2_r
File	
Publication title	The Joseph Initiative and Agricultural Transformation

Data source #2


Data source type	Media report
URL	https://www.busiweek.com/kiryandongo-farmers-want-government-to-implement-practical-agriculture-in-schools/
Publication title	Kiryandongo Farmers Want Government To Implement Practical Agriculture In Schools
Date	2019-09-27

Data source #3

Data source type	Other (Please specify in comment field)
URL	https://www.theigc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/1-Joseph-Initiative.pdf

Data source #4


Data source type
URL
File
Comment on data source

Company sources
<http://www.agilis-partners.com/#our-platforms>

company website

Data source #5


Data source type
URL

File
Comment on data source

Other (Please specify in comment field)
<http://www.common-fund.org/project-view/rural-injini-engine-inclusive-maize-trading-processing/>

Tertiary investor (CFC) website

Data source #6

Data source type
URL
File
Comment on data source


Other (Please specify in comment field)
<https://opencorporates.com/companies/ug/80010003819146>

open corporates

Data source #7

Data source type
URL

Media report
<https://witnessradio.org/masindi-high-court-to-rule-on-an-interim-application-seeking-to-stop-a-multi-million-agribusiness-company-from-an-illegal-and-forceful-eviction/>

File
Publication title


1500 FAMILIES CANNOT FIND RESETTLEMENT AFTER LOSING LAND TO AGRIBUSINESS COMPANY
2018-12-18


Date

Data source #8

Data source type
URL

Media report
<https://www.farmlandgrab.org/post/view/29143-brothers-build-multi-million-mixed-farm-in-masindi>

File
Publication title


Brothers build multi-million mixed farm in Masindi
2019-08-11


Date

Data source #9

Data source type
URL

Media report
<https://theugandan.com.ug/agilis-partners-acquires-majority-stake-uganda-grain-giants-joseph-initiative/>

File
Publication title


Agilis Partners acquires majority stake in Uganda grain giants The Joseph Initiative
2020-02-02


Date

Data source #10

Data source type
URL

Media report
<https://www.albertinewatchdog.org/2019/04/05/masindi-court-declines-to-halt-a-forceful-and-violent-eviction-of-2300-families-off-their-land/>

File
Publication title


MASINDI COURT DECLINES TO HALT A FORCEFUL AND VIOLENT EVICTION OF 2300 FAMILIES OFF THEIR LAND

Date 2019-04-05

Data source #11

Data source type Media report
URL <https://witnessradio.org/uks-dfid-funded-company-involved-in-forced-land-eviction-in-kiryandongo-district/>
File 
Publication title UK'S DFID FUNDED COMPANY INVOLVED IN FORCED LAND EVICTION IN KIRYANDONGO DISTRICT
Date 2018-03-22

Local communities / indigenous peoples

Presence of land conflicts

Presence of land conflicts Yes

Promised benefits for local communities

Promised benefits for local communities Health
Education
Productive infrastructure (e.g. irrigation, tractors, machinery...)
Capacity Building
Other

Comment on promised benefits for local communities This project, it wants to empower 50,000 farmers from neighbouring communities with modern farming skills. The same company pledged Shs. 1 billion equivalent to about USD 250,000 earmarked as community development budget for extension services, training centres, schools, hospitals and infrastructure development among others.

Materialized benefits for local communities

Materialized benefits for local communities Capacity Building
Comment on materialized benefits for local communities In 2018, Joseph Initiative with Asili Farms, trained more than 3,500 farmers were trained on sustainable and climate-smart cropping techniques.

Presence of organizations and actions taken (e.g. farmer organizations, NGOs, etc.)

Presence of organizations and actions taken (e.g. farmer organizations, NGOs, etc.) LAND INQUIRY COMMISSION OPENS INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE EVICTION OF NATIVES FROM FORMER GOVERNMENT RANCHES IN BUNYORO SUB-REGION.

Produce info

Detailed contract farming crop and animal information

Contract farming crops Corn (Maize)

Use of produce

Has domestic use Yes
Has export Yes

In country processing of produce

In country processing of produce
Comment on in country processing of produce

Processing facilities / production infrastructure of the project (e.g. oil mill, ethanol distillery, biomass power plant etc.)

Yes
JI is based around procuring, processing and marketing high quality maize for regional market.
Joseph Initiative processing and storage facility.
All of the aggregated maize procured from smallholders in the Joseph Centres gets transported to the JI processing facility

Overall Comment



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The company has another deal (deal #7679)

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