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Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Livestock Systems

Symposium:

Ensuring children's cognitive and physical development through animal-source foods

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THE DISASTER CALLED STUNTING

- One of the greatest causes of death among children
- Reduces growth, health, **cognitive development**, and earning potential
- Causes **lifelong** and **intergenerational** effects
- Penalizes African/Asian country **GDP by 10%**



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Animal-source foods

- **Best source** of high-quality, nutrient-rich foods for 6 to 23 -month-olds (WHO 2017)
- Feeding one egg a day reduced stunting by **47%**
- Meat supplementation increased test scores in Kenyan school kids by **45 and 28%**, respectively



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FUNDS

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\$49 million

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\$8.7 million

Complementary new funds

\$10 million

VISION

To sustainably intensify livestock production to improve the nutrition, health, incomes, resilience and livelihoods of the poor



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