Food Fortification in Tanzania
a progress report
Goals

• **100 day plan, Nairobi**
  ○ Draft standards will be reviewed by incorporating public comments
  ○ Draft regulations will be submitted to the Minister for further action
  ○ Train of food inspectors on monitoring and enforcement
  ○ Update relevant data on consumption levels
  ○ Prepare monitoring and evaluation plan
  ○ Prepare social marketing strategy
Progress

- Draft standards will be reviewed by incorporating public comments – done – standards have been finalized and gazetted.
- Draft regulations will be submitted to the Minister for further action – Done (Feb/March 2011) – Draft regulations reviewed by public in Dec 2010 and finalized. Now just awaiting signature/gazetting.
- Train of food inspectors on monitoring and enforcement - done.
- Update relevant data on consumption levels – not done – might get done in 2011 – need funding.
- Prepare monitoring and evaluation plan – will happen in 2011.
- Prepare social marketing strategy – done – need funding for implementation.
Progress

- **Other activities implemented...**
  - Development of food fortification guidelines
  - Development of manuals describing FF techniques
  - Training of manufacturers in FF techniques
  - Training of manufacturers on QA/QC
  - Procurement of laboratory equipment, chemicals and reagents
  - Development and printing of IEC materials (industry, decision makers)
  - Regular meetings of the National Food Fortification Alliance
  - Baseline data collected (through DHS) – results out soon (early May?)
  - National FF logo finalized and included in regulations
Future activities

- Procurement of fortificants and dossifiers (need funding - DfID?)
- Gazetting of mandatory regulations (hopefully soon!)
- Implementation of SM (funding?)
- Sensitization sessions to decision makers (funding?)
- Monitoring and Evaluation (plan to be supported by GAIN)
- Continual QA/QC support (funding?)
In summary

- **A lot of progress**
  - Fortified products expected on the shelves by mid 2011
  - Tanzania plans to be the first country in East Africa with mandatory food fortification regulations
  - Further plans are underway for Rural FF (incl small scale food fortification and home fortification)
  - Food Fortification an activity in the national agriculture strategy Kilimo Kwanza and in the CAADP

- **Donor support**
  - World Bank
    - (past had support for central FF until Dec 2010), now only support for rural FF pilot (2.6 mill USD)
  - GAIN (655,000USD) - HKI is executive agency
  - Potential support from WFP, likely also a large amount for fortificants /dossifiers from DfID (We hope!!!)