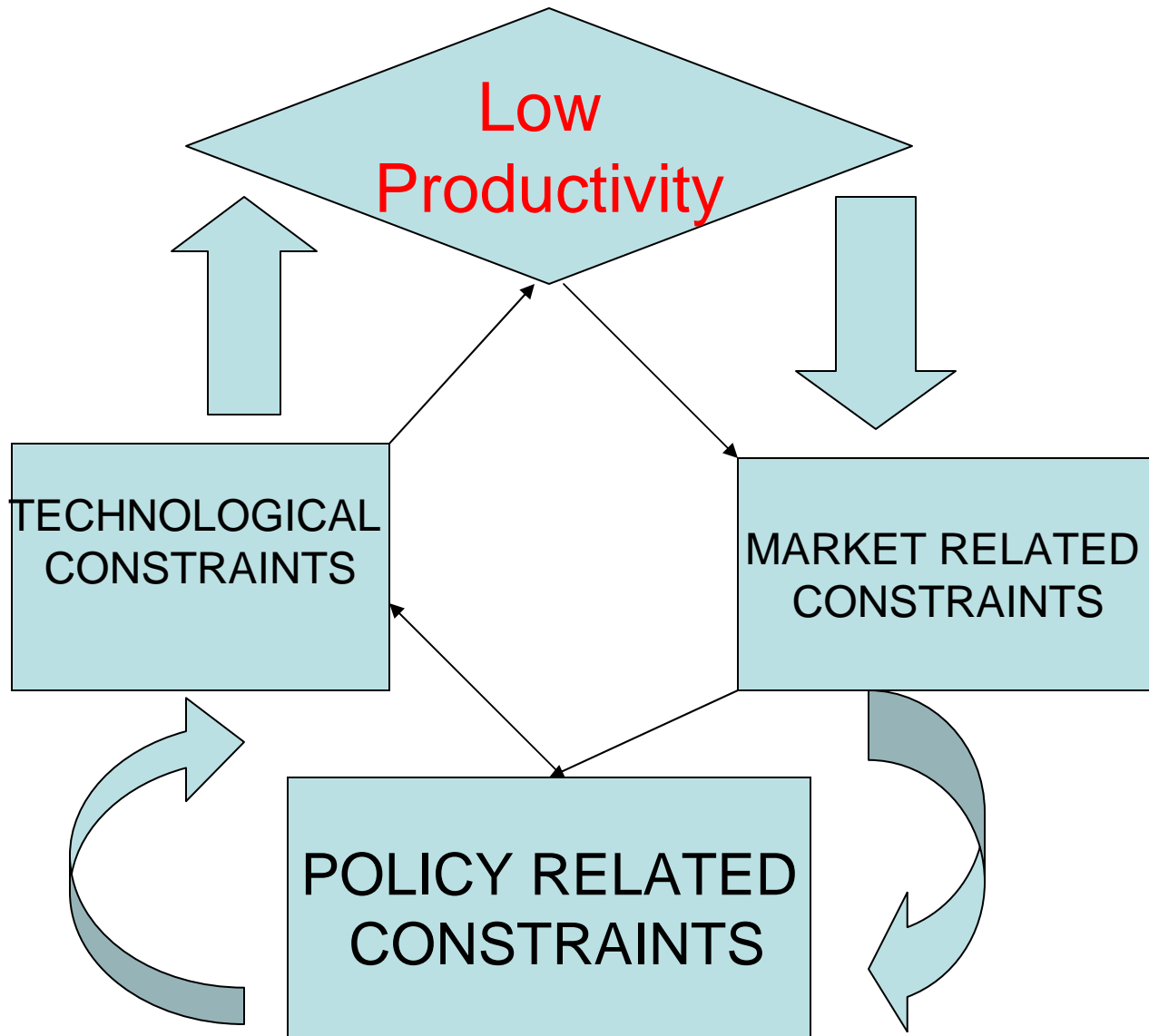




OVERVIEW OF COMESA AGRICULTURAL STRATEGY (with focus on the maize sector)



COMESA AGRICULTURAL SECTOR CHALLENGES



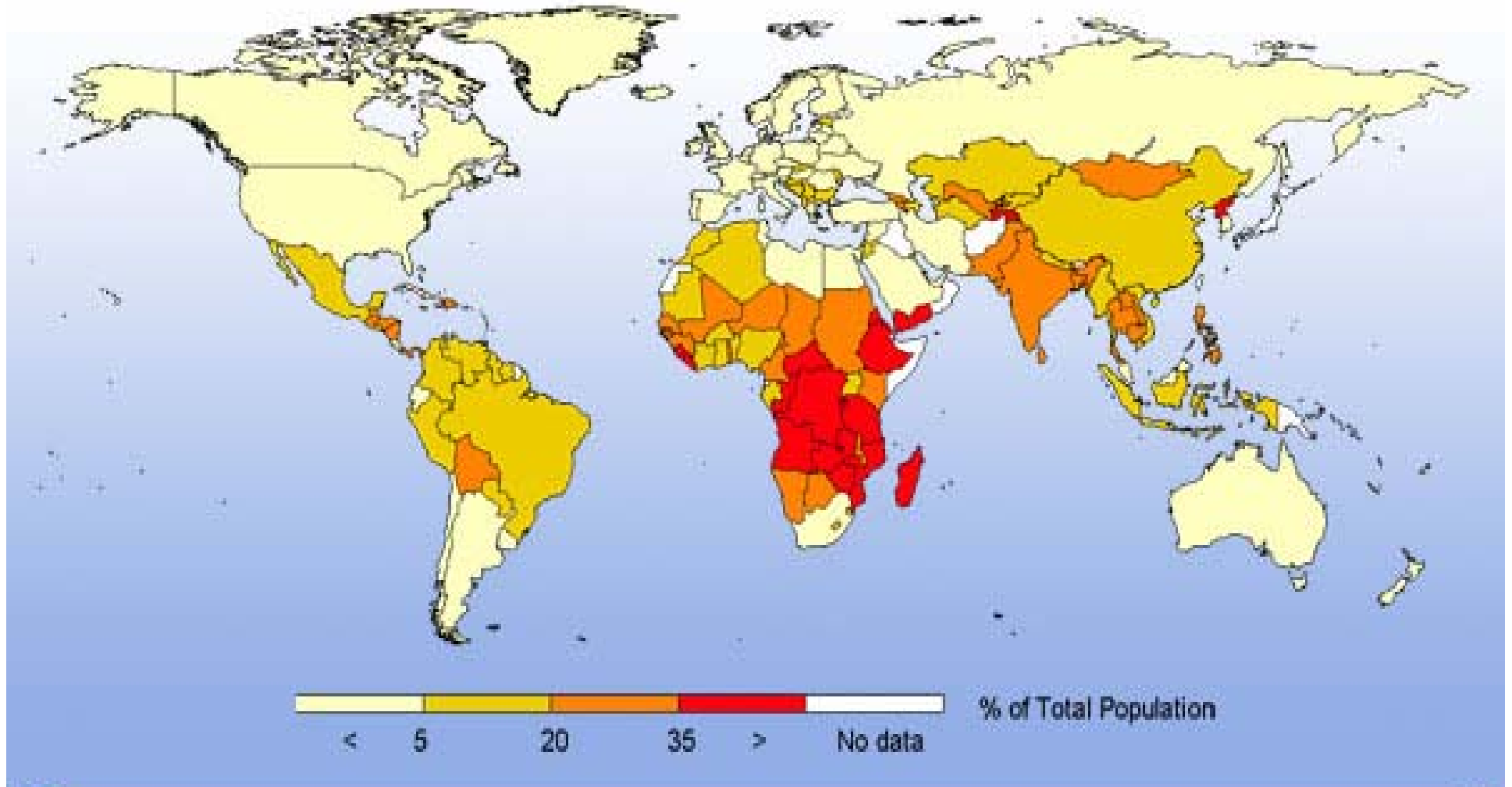
MARKET RELATED CONSTRAINTS

- ❖ High marketing costs due to poor infrastructure
- ❖ Poor availability of market information
- ❖ Sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) requirements and lack of harmonization
- ❖ Under-developed agro-processing markets

POLICY RELATED CONSTRAINTS

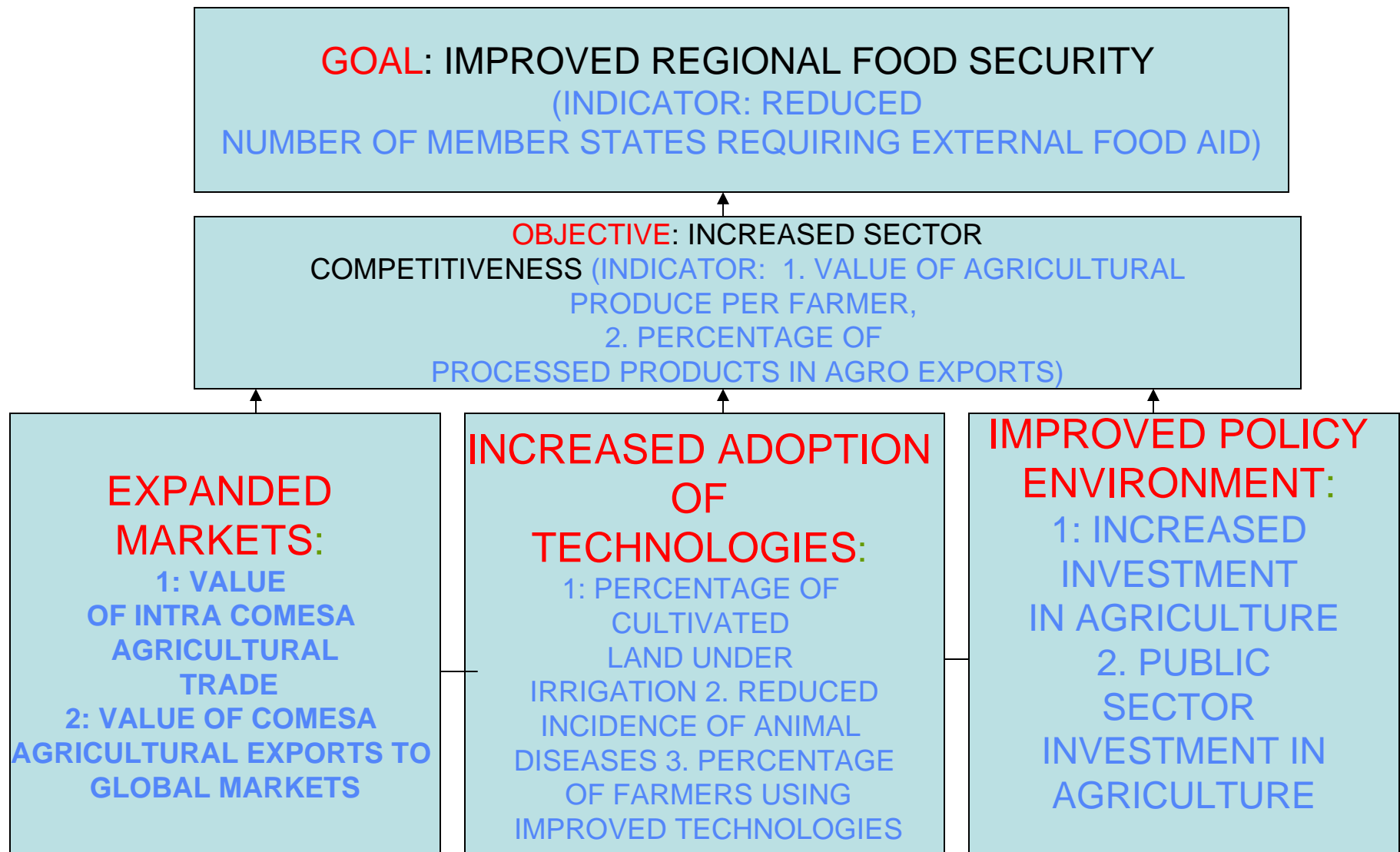
- Under-developed agro-processing markets
- Under-funding of the sector among other competing national and regional priorities
- Restrictive land tenure and trade policies

NET RESULT OF STATUS QUO: FAO HUNGER MAP



COMESA AGRICULTURAL STRATEGY

INDICATORS



WHAT COMESA IS ENCOURAGING GOVERNMENTS TO DO

- REMOVE ALL BARRIERS TO TRADE AND ENCOURAGE TRADE IN MAIZE (MAIZE WITHOUT BORDERS)
- NEED TO ABIDE BY THE COMESA TREATY AND COOPERATE AND TRADE REGIONALLY
- THE REGION OFFERS A BIG MARKET WHICH WOULD BE A GREAT MOTIVATION FOR MAIZE PRODUCERS.