WHERE ARE WE?
Our Results
Managing risks to improve farmers’ livelihoods
September 2017

WHAT IS PARM?
The Platform for Agricultural Risk Management (PARM), an outcome of the G8 and G20 discussions on food security and agricultural growth, is a four year multi-donor partnership between developing countries and development partners to make agricultural risk management (ARM) an integral part of policy planning.

PARM partners with 8 sub-Saharan African countries in a process involving four phases: Setting-up, Risk Assessment, Tools Assessment, Follow-up, and Implementation.

EXPECTED RESULTS
Demand for ARM support from partner countries satisfied
Knowledge and capacities to manage risks increased
Agricultural risks priorities and risk management tools identified
ARM priorities and tools integrated into national policies and development programmes

WHERE ARE WE?
PARM PROCESS PHASES

Implementation
Uganda

Tools Assessment
Senegal

Tools Assessment
Cameroon

Tools Assessment
Niger

Tools Assessment
Ethiopia

Tools Assessment
Cabo Verde

Risk Assessment
Liberia

Risk Assessment
Zambia

Capacity Development
01 Setting Up
Risk Assessment
02 Tools Assessment
Follow up
03 Capacity Development
Implementation
04/05

Validation Workshop June 2015
Policy Workshop Dec 2016

Validation Workshop June 2016
Policy Workshop July 2017

Validation Workshop December 2016

Validation Workshop December 2015

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Validation Workshop July 2016

Validation Workshop June 2017

PARM is governed by a Steering Committee, an Advisory Committee and its Secretariat hosted in IFAD.

DONOR PARTNERS

AFD

PARM also closely cooperates with:

- African Development Bank
- African Union
- CTA
- IFPRI
- PAFO
- USAID
- ...and other partners

COMING UP
KM EVENTS
KM Flagship Event on "ARM: practices and lessons learned for development" 23 October 2017
GOVERNANCE
4th Advisory Committee 20 October 2017
12th Steering Committee 16 November 2017
Prioritizing Risks

Smallholder farmers face many risks every day. Governments and all stakeholders need to have an evidence-based profile of the agricultural risks and their importance in terms of severity and frequency. A good assessment of risks empowers farmers, governments and their partners in making the best decisions to minimize the negative impacts of risks and take advantage of investment opportunities.

FINDING THE RIGHT TOOLS

Once the risks are identified, tools and management strategies must be aligned with these needs, and the ARM responsibilities for each stakeholder clearly defined.

To achieve this, PARM works in partnership with countries in identifying the right set of tools to address the most pressing risks. PARM also analyzes specific tools and their applicability, and has published two studies on Information Systems and Warehouse Receipts Systems.

Uganda
- Monitoring of Plant diseases
- Finance and information for risk management (FIRM)
- ARM capacity development with Makerere University and Extension Services

Ethiopia
- Improving policy design for ARM: social protection (PSNP) and insurance
- Integrating a holistic approach to ARM in extension services

Senegal
- Improving access to information
- Remittances as ARM tool
- ARM capacity development integrated in the national extension service strategy

Niger
- Tackling market risks: contract farming and WRS
- Access to information systems

COMMING UP

The overall objective of PARM is to mainstream the holistic approach to Agricultural Risk Management at the national, regional and global levels.

Uganda
- Agricultural Sector Development Plan (ASDP) 2016-2020

Niger
- Plan d’action pour la gestion des risques agricoles au Niger (PAGRA)

Ethiopia
- National Extension Services Strategy

ENGAGING WITH POLICIES

The CAADP/NEPAD Partnership
- Work with the CAADP focal points in each country
- Participation in CAADP Partnership Platform
- Channelling investments from bilateral agencies on ARM

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