

PARM Quarterly Newsletter | June 2024

We are pleased to share with you our latest news and results achieved in the last 3 months to promote Agricultural Risk Management (ARM) for sustainable agricultural growth, food security and improved livelihoods of smallholder farmers.

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#### **OUR RESULTS**

#### Burundi: PARM Supports the Government in Assessing Risks for Maize, Rice and Rabbit Value Chains



Watch a slideshow of the event

In **Burundi**, PARM presented and discussed the preliminary results of the agricultural risk assessment study on maize, rice and rabbit commodities with government entities,

including representatives of the country's presidency, as well as with key stakeholders invited by the **Ministry of Environment**, **Agriculture and Livestock**. The fruitful exchanges during this two-day workshop provided stakeholders with the opportunity to share their experiences and recommendations with a view to identifying appropriate tools for managing the risks identified in the study. <u>Read more...</u>

# PARM at the ARFSD-10: Better managing agricultural risks to accelerate the achievement of the SDGs



From 23 to 25 April 2024, PARM was present at the **Tenth Session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD-10)**, organised by the <u>United</u> <u>Nations Economic Commission for Africa</u> (UNECA) in Addis Ababa.

The Platform with its and IFAD's private sector beneficiary, Enda Tamweel, engaged in the SDG 2 main session and in the side-event "Harnessing the potential of innovative financing for reinforcing Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) implementation towards Africa free of hunger and sustainable, resilient agri-food systems". PARM also raised awareness on the urgency of investing in Agricultural Risk Management to support smallholder farmers and enhance their resilience through the exhibition of PARM Food Heroes, an art exhibition that portrayed the faces of small producers that contribute to Zero Hunger #SDG2. Read more...



#### Tunisia: The final results of the AVC-RAS presented to the DGFIOP-appointed technical committee

To support the PARM process in the country, the Ministry of Agriculture, through the General Directorate of Investment Financing and Professional Organizations (DGFIOP) has put in place a technical committee composed of key government and para-governmental entities. On 4 June 2024, PARM has presented the final results of the Agricultural Value Chain Risk Assessment Study (AVC-RAS) for the olive oil and cereal sectors to this committee which took ownership of the study and made enriching contributions concerning effective risk management tools identified in the two value chains.



#### Institutionalisation of ARM: Capacity development of the selected organizations in Burkina Faso and Madagascar

In the context of the **Institutionalisation** (INST) of capacity development on Agricultural Risk Management (ARM) into universities curricula and private sector practices, PARM has organised. from 16 to 18 April 2024, two capacity development workshops, one in Burkina Faso and one in Madagascar, and a joint workshop to innovate and encourage South-South collaborations between the two countries. The Country Director of IFAD Madagascar and a representative of IFAD Burkina Faso opened the joint workshop alongside PARM's focal points at the ministries of agriculture of the respective countries. Read more...

## WFO 2024 Annual Meeting: PARM showcased the story of resilience of smallholder farmers from Rwanda



At the World Farmers Organisation (WFO) 2024 annual meeting, PARM Stories Challenge's winner, Pascal Ishimwe, has seen his video showcased during the side event "Financing the transition for more sustainable Food Systems". **The video, which unfolds the story of resilience of smallholder farmers from Rwanda, was a perfect introduction to this high-level event**. Farmers and representatives from FAO, the World Bank, NASFAM, Rabobank, the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), AHA Andreas Hermes Akademie, etc. shared their experiences about the opportunities and challenges in accessing climate finance to achieve a just transition towards more resilient equitable and inclusive agri-food systems. <u>Watch the</u> **video...** 



### Private sector operators trained on ARM in Ghana

In Accra, PARM hosted, from 25 to 27 June 2024, a training of trainers dedicated to private sector actors beneficiaries of PARM's donors and partners.



### Launch of the design process in Tunisia

From 24 June 2024, PARM kicked off the design mission to formulate an investment project in Agricultural Risk Management in Tunisia.

Organised in close collaboration with the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS), the workshop aimed to build the capacity of the private sector on the holistic approach to risk management, risk assessment and prioritization by value chain and evidencebased, risk tools and monitoring & evaluation. The opening day received the participation of the Deputy Ambassador of Italy in Ghana, Gabriele Palermo, and of the IFAD Country Director, Lakshmi Moola. In an inclusive and participatory approach, PARM, under the guidance of the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries, will collaborate with FAO and the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) of the CGIAR to jointly develop a bankable investment project that will contribute to building resilience by implementing the risk management tools identified in the cereal

#### **FROM THE FIELD**

In Burundi, PARM team criss-crossed rural areas to meet small-scale farmers and raise awareness on Agricultural Risk Management at rural level.



#### LATEST PUBLICATIONS



#### PARM Annual Report 2023

This report provides a comprehensive and detailed **overview of the results achieved by PARM in 2023**. The year 2023 was marked by the introduction of PARM's new methodology of assessing risks along the entire value chain with a gender lens, enabling more tailored risk management strategies and tools. The Platform devoted a prominent role to the private sector through its capacity development, knowledge management and project design activities and processes. PARM's demand-driven services continued to advance the agricultural risk management agenda at country, regional and global levels.

The Platform will continue working with various partners to support governments in integrating Agricultural Risk Management (ARM) into their national policies, developing the capacities of stakeholders and disseminating best practices that can help them better manage agricultural risks.

Read the full report







#### Madagascar: Risk Assessment Study (English version)

The risk assessment study in the maize and groundnut value chains based on PARM's new methodology has been developed in close collaboration with the <u>Ministry of Agriculture</u> <u>and Livestock</u> of Madagascar. It provides cross-cutting and specific recommendations for the two selected value chains to better manage the agricultural risks identified at each chain.

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#### PARM at the FARM Foundation event & the 8th Global Meeting of FAFO

This press review presents the key highlights of PARM's participation in two international events: the FARM Foundation 2024 Conference, held in Paris, and the 8th Global Meeting of the Farmers' Forum, held in IFAD HQ. where PARM promoted ARM and the importance of assessing agricultural risks to de-risk investments and foster access to finance for smallholder farmers.

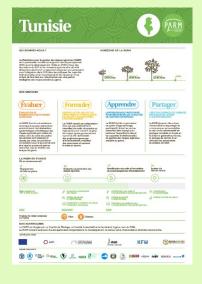
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#### <u>Media report of</u> <u>PARM's</u> <u>participation in the</u> <u>ARFSD-10</u>

As the global partnership on Agricultural Risk Management (ARM) committed to accelerating the achievement of the SDGs, in particular SDGs 1, 2, 13 and 17, PARM participated in the **Tenth Session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD-10)**. This report details PARM's interventions

PARM's interventions during the event organised in Addis Ababa.

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#### **PARM Tunisia Factsheet**

Since 2023, PARM supports the **Government of Tunisia**, through the General Directorate of Financing Investment and Professional Organizations (DGFIOP) of the <u>Ministry of Agriculture, Hydraulic Resources and</u> <u>Fisheries (MARHP)</u>, in identifying and prioritizing agricultural risks in the olive and cereals value chains with a view to setting up instruments to manage the prioritized risks.

This factsheet provides a summary of the **progress and results** of PARM's process and activities in Tunisia, one of the operational countries of PARM Horizon 2 (2019-2025).

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### **Empower change with us!**

Partnerships are crucial to building the ARM agenda. Are you an active player in the agriculture sector and risk management? Join us to turn risks into opportunities and move towards new horizons. Contact the <u>PARM Secretariat</u> to explore partnerships for impact.



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