



WHERE ARE WE?

# Our Results

Managing risks to improve farmers' livelihoods

September 2016

## 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.

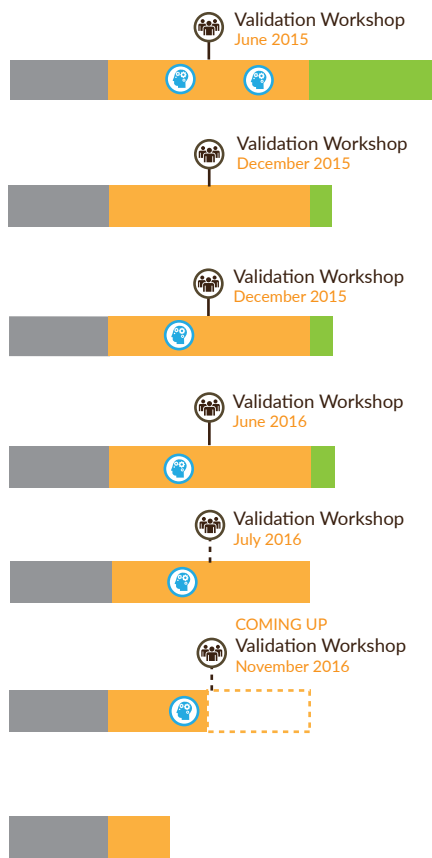
## EXPECTED RESULTS

- 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



- Tools Assessment Uganda
- Tools Assessment Ethiopia
- Tools Assessment Niger
- Tools Assessment Senegal
- Risk Assessment Cabo Verde
- Risk Assessment Cameroon
- Risk Assessment Liberia
- Setting-up Zambia
- Setting-up Mozambique



## IN BRIEF



CREATING KNOWLEDGE  
**21**

risk analysis: including risk assessments, feasibility studies and policy briefs



ENGAGING STAKEHOLDERS  
**25**

workshops, policy dialogues, capacity development seminars



MAINSTREAMING INTO POLICY  
**25%**

partner countries having integrated ARM into their national investment plans

## PARTNERSHIPS



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

### DONOR PARTNERS



### STRATEGIC PARTNER



### ADVISORY PARTNERS



PARM also closely cooperates with:

- African Development Bank
- African Risk Capacity
- African Union
- CTA
- IFPRI
- .....and other partners

### COMING UP

**WEBINAR**  
"Agricultural Risk assessment in Niger" Webinar hosted by FARM-D  
October 2016

**GOVERNANCE**  
9th Steering Committee  
10th November 2016





## 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.

PARM produces rigorous risk assessments in its partner countries, taking into account a wide variety of risks and relying on various sources, to obtain a clear picture of the risks affecting either the country as a whole, or specific regions. The prioritized risks can then be addressed using appropriate tools and strategies.

### Uganda

Final Report  
October 2015



Crop pests & diseases



Post-harvest losses & price fluctuations

### Niger

Final Report  
October 2016



Dryness



Uncertain access to market

### Ethiopia

Final Report  
to be published in 2016



Worsening droughts (& floods) due to climate change & El Niño events



Pests & diseases (Plant & animal health)

### Senegal

Final Report  
to be published in 2016



Erratic Rainfall  
(World Bank Report)



Animal Diseases



Illicit fisheries

### COMING UP

**RISK ASSESSMENT STUDIES**  
Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Liberia and Zambia  
End 2016



## 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.

pressing risks. PARM also analyzes specific tools and their applicability, and has published two studies on Information Systems and Warehouse Receipts Systems.

To achieve this, PARM works in partnership with countries in identifying the right set of tools to address the most

### Uganda

- Monitoring of Plant diseases
- Public Private Partnerships on Information systems
- 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

### Information Systems

Information systems for ARM are weak and with asymmetric access

Some blocks of information such as plant health are particularly poor across countries



### Warehouse Receipt Systems

Combining WRS systems with other tools is crucial for success

Scale is important given the large operating costs

### COMING UP

**ARM INFORMATION SYSTEMS WORKSHOP**  
End 2016

**TOOLS VALIDATION WORKSHOP**  
Uganda  
November 2016



## DEVELOPING CAPACITIES

Adequate capacity is crucial in integrating risk management into national and global policies.

PARM works in partnership with local universities and research centres, as well as with global actors, to strengthen awareness and understanding of the holistic approach to agricultural risk management.

### National stakeholders training

Uganda, July 2015  
Niger, December 2015  
Senegal, March 2016  
Cameroon, June 2016  
Cabo Verde, July 2016

### Training of famers' organizations

Uganda, December 2015

### Global

Consultative Workshop on e-learning course on Agriculture Risk Assessment and Management with IFAD/FAO/NEPAD  
June 2015

Training material on ARM tools  
April 2016

### COMING UP

**CD STRATEGY FOR ARM**  
Senegal, Cameroon and Ethiopia  
End 2016



## ENGAGING WITH POLICIES

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

### Uganda

Ugandan Agricultural Sector Development Plan (ASDP) 2016-2020  
June 2015

### Niger

Plan d'action pour la gestion des risques agricoles au Niger (PAGRA)  
June 2014

### CAADP/NEPAD Partnership

- Work with the CAADP focal points in each country
- Participation in CAADP Partnership Platform  
April 2015, April 2016
- Channelling investments from bilateral agencies on ARM  
BMZ/KfW supporting PARM through NEPAD, 2016

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