SSA Challenge Program: Lake Kivu Pilot Learning Site

Review of the Lake Kivu Pilot Learning Site project and purpose of the meeting

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Remarks on Review of the Lake Kivu Pilot Learning Site project and purpose of the meeting at the Cross-site Regional Review Meeting of the LKPLS, 12-15, July 2010, **Kabale, Uganda**

SSACP – Background / Historical Overview

Phase 1:

1. SSACP originated from FARA as an idea / concept on integrated agricultural research for development **(IAR4D)**
2. Goals:
    - Poverty reduction
    - Increased food security
    - Environmental conservation
    - Wealth creation (increased incomes)
3. Proposal developed

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4. Proposal extensively and intensively peer-evaluated
5. Proposal funded
6. Before implementation the funded proposal subjected / underwent through science council review (SCR)
7. SCR recommended '**proof of concept**' of **IAR4D** as opposed to conventionally established research – extension – farmer linear approach

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Phase II:

Concepts and proposals redrafted and restructured

8. Implementation reoriented to be based on regional pilot learning sites (PLS)
9. PLS were composed of two or more countries
10. Applied research based on simultaneous evaluations and implementation of rapidly adoptable innovations that could produce tangible results / outcomes

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11. Applied research / innovations were on technology enhancing productivity, NRM and markets – managed as task forces & led by TFLs
12. Work was to exploit innovations by use of multi-stakeholder engagement and partnerships
13. Before introduction of appropriate interventions, baseline surveys were carried out

Current Regional Review Meeting of LKPLS

1. Since the baseline survey, implementation has been going on, which now requires internal and external review
2. Each yr of implementation follows a country-based operational plan (OP)
3. Participatory developed and agreed upon by all stakeholders, led by TFLs
4. With corresponding budgets and other resources
5. 1st and foremost issue at this point in time is thus to:

- **Review the status and progress of activities in the Year 2010 OP – Country / IP-based**

Status and progress of activities of OP – country IP- based

- Where we are – milestones and outcomes (knowledge, products)
- Are there planned activities not been implemented
- Why – what have been the bottlenecks
- Any actions taken to remove the bottlenecks
- Come up with a revised version of the OP - Prepare clear timetable to complete the remaining and uncompleted planned activities during remaining time
- Come up with tangible evidence of results and areas where to take reviewers
  - both internal and external reviewers

Review of Taskforce-based Outputs (Productivity, NRM & Markets)

Outputs were to reflect:

- Technological
- Knowledge
- Institutional
- Policy
- Market

innovations

- Where we are – planned milestones, outputs and outcomes
- Are there planned outputs not been realised

Review of Taskforce-based Outputs …

- Why – what have been the bottlenecks
- Any actions taken to remove the bottlenecks
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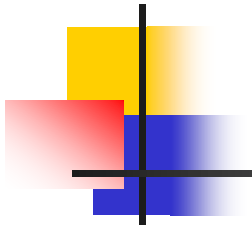

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