



Africa RISING East and Southern Africa project overview

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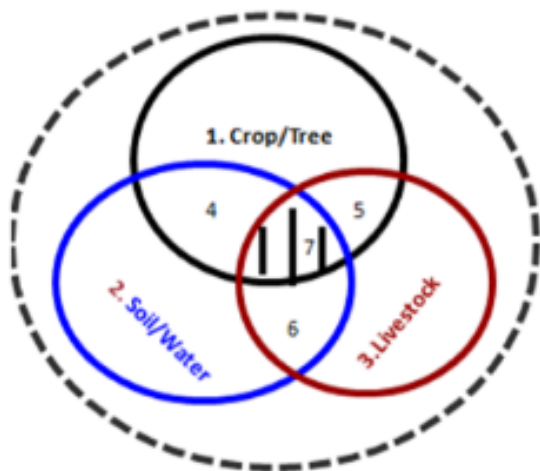
Africa RISING ESA Project review and planning meeting

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2012: Niche identification

Integrated research as the operational niche for Africa RISING.



- Biophysical research to aim more at validating ecological intensification technologies - within interception zones 4, 5, 6 and 7 across landscapes/agroecosystems.
- Concurrent socio-economic studies to identify which of the efficient technologies identified would be most effective.



What guided our planning for 2018-2019?

Consolidation:

- Integrated (systems) research
- Toward completing validation of technologies for their potential using the SIAF
- Validation to be scientific (quality research)
- Increasing our contribution to custom indicators, including the **Handbook!**
- Engaging development partners for technology delivery and scaling
- Improved contribution to M&E requirements

We shall take stock on progress against these points at the end of the day



Improving preparedness for this approach

Capacity building workshops:

- Assessment Framework Workshop (Oct/Nov 2018)
- Biometrics Workshop (Nov 2018)
- M&E direct engagement (Anicet)
- Merged site-based sub-projects to country level

Revised workplan Template

- Guide follow the ESA Project logframe
- Capture the guiding principles in workplan docs
- Guide activity-based budgeting
- Allow for better monitoring of commitments



Management field visits

- Malawi (Feb 2018); Tanzania (March 2018)
- Appreciated the environmental and research implementation challenges

Advised

- CS to conduct more monitoring and guidance visits, especially at experiment installation (events/Gantt)
- CS to organize country meetings to compliment the Project-level meetings. Pre-implementation meetings are under consideration

Pre-planning meetings were held in July to inform this R&P meeting.



Thank You

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