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WORKSHOP ON CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION IN AFRICA

THEME:

Enhancing IFAD's Evidence-informed Country Strategic Opportunities Programmes and Projects in Design and Technical Advisory Supports to Adapt to Climate Change in West and Central Africa

19-21 SEPTEMBER 2018 VENUE:

International Conference Centre, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria

Time:9:00 – 17:00 Hours Daily

ORGANISERS:

Jointly organised by University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria and International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Rome, Italy

BACKGROUND TO THE WORKSHOP

A frica is one of the most vulnerable continents to climate change. As the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) produced by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has shown, climate change is expected to have widespread impacts on African societies, and Africans' interaction with the natural environment. There are also signs that the impacts of climate change are already being felt, not only in terms of increases in temperature or flooding incidences, but also in respect of declining agricultural productivity (with lower crop yields) and constraints on availability of water resources, among others (Olayide et al., 2016; Olayide and Alabi, 2018). The links between climate change and the incidence of diseases - such as malaria and cholera - are also becoming clearer (Filho et al., 2018).



The above state of affairs illustrates the need for a better understanding of how climate change affects African countries, and for the identification of processes, methods and tools which may help African nations to adapt. There is also a perceived need to showcase successful examples of climate change adaptation projects by development organisations, including International Fund for Agricultural Development. (IFAD) on how to cope with the social, economic and political problems posed by climate change in Africa. IFAD's experience and the recent evaluation of projects in Africa indicate that there are demands from countries to strengthen their national capacities on climate and environmental finance readiness and to develop well informed impactful adaptation projects with evidence generated by science and research.

To address these challenges, IFAD has started its decentralization process which has led to the establishment of 40 IFAD Country Offices (ICOs), 12 hubs and 3 Regional South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) & Knowledge Centres. Towards this end, strategic partnerships are needed with other partners especially research institutes, business and engineering schools to leverage from their knowledge and technical expertise to shed light on programming and planning process to address climate change and the degradation of natural resources (including, project design, supervision, mid-term review, completion, country strategy documents etc.)

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

The "WORKSHOP ON CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION IN AFRICA" brings together top-notch universities, agricultural engineering schools and business schools to share experience on adaptation in agriculture, discuss the content of the regional projects and provide technical advisory support. This approach fits with IFAD decentralization strategy which is "to be closer to the client base and to achieve rural transformation efforts through strong partnerships with regional and national institutions".

The workshop focuses on "Enhancing IFAD's Evidence-informed Country Strategic Opportunities Programmes and Projects in Design and Technical Advisory Supports to Adapt to Climate Change in West and Central Africa", meaning that it serves the purpose of showcasing experiences from research, evidence from field projects and best practice in climate change research adaptation in African countries, and as a venue to discuss and define a concrete programme with concerned identified partners.

Expected Activities & Outcomes of the Workshop

The workshop will facilitate the cooperation agenda between IFAD and Research Institutes/Academia, Business Schools in the area of climate change adaption with the objective of discussing and sharing experiences on climate change and integration of research into development strategies and investments in the regions. The exchange proposed will focus on understating climate change and agriculture nexus, including adaptation in Africa.

In addition, it will aim at assessing implementation mechanisms, as a means to promote progress made in terms of adaptation of smallholder farmers to climate change. It will explore a range of topics to deepen and widen the understanding of the role of research with respect to its responsibility for offering a wide spectrum of research work and services to IFAD investment and strategies. This workshop will help IFAD identify relevants pipeline of research on adaptation. Furthermore, the workshop will elaborate upon efforts within the field of research and which aim at advancing the implementation of IFAD work at country and regional levels.

Workshop Sessions

The workshop will be feature the following session:

- Session 1 Climate change adaptation and sustainable rural livelihoods
- Session 2 Climate change resilience and disaster risks management
- Session 3 Climate change and system dynamics
- Session 4 Climate change project financing and insurance mechanisms
- Session 5 Climate change information service and communication

Delegates to the Workshop

Delegates at the workshop are selected researchers from African universities, engineering schools, and research centres; representatives from United Nations and national development and aid agencies working on climate change issues in Africa and funding/executing projects on the ground; project officers and consultants; and IFAD country and project staff members.



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PROGRAMME

DAY ONE 19 SEPTEMBER 2018

Session	Activity/Facilitators	Time
Registration	Breakfast and registration (All delegates)	8:30-10:00
Introduction & welcome remarks	Introduction of workshop programme objectives, and welcome remarks	10:00-10:30
Setting the scene	Presentation of the project by IFAD- University of Ibadan (Amath Pathe Sene & Olawale Olayide) Discussions	10:30-11:00
	Tea break & group photographs	11:00-11:30
Field work	Adaptation project design, supervision evaluation: COSOP design with 4 groups on the fields (Marietu Kamara IFAD Program officer Nigeria & Olawale Olayide) Discussions	11:30-14:00
	Lunch break	14:00-15:00
Reflection/feedbac ks from field work	Group discussion on field activities and report (All delegates)	16:00-16:45
	Wrap up (Olawale Olayide)	16:45-17:00

DAY TWO 20 SEPTEMBER 2018

Session	Activity/Facilitators	Time
Plenary session	Recap of previous day's Activities	9:00 - 9:30
Plenary session	IFAD business model and importance of knowledge and expertise (Amath Pathe Sene) Tea break	9:30 - 10:30 10:30-11:00
Breakout session	Research and Business Schools pipelines: Adaptation projects, sources and expertise I (All delegates)	11:00-12:30
	Lunch break	13:30-14:30
Breakout session	Adaptation projects, sources and expertise II (All delegates)	14:30-15:30
	Teabreak	15:30 - 16:00
Plenary session	Group presentations	16:00-16:45
Plenary session	Wrap up/Team assignment	16:45-17:00

DAY THREE 21 SEPTEMBER 2018

Session	Activity/Facilitators	Time
Plenary session	Recap of previous day's activities (Country Delegates)	9:00-9:30
Plenary session	Problem tree analysis and developing a logframe (Ijeoma Emenanjo & Olawale Olayide)	9:30 - 10:30
	Teabreak	10:30-11:00
Breakout session	Joining the dots between IFAD needs and research expertise to develop a roadmap and academia/ business schools model (Amath Pathe Sene & Olawale Olayide)	11:00-12:30
	Lunch break	13:30-14:30
Plenary session	Project proposal next steps (Ijeoma Emenanjo/Mariatu Kamara/Amath Pathe Sene)	14:30-15:30
Plenary session	Closing& certificates (All delegates)	15:30-16:00

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