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# SKIM PROJECT NEWSLETTER

Strengthening Knowledge Management for Greater  
Development Effectiveness



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## ABOUT THE PROJECT

**GOAL:** Develop effective and long-term knowledge management-related capacities in target countries

**OUTCOMES:**

- ▶ Improved understanding of KM capacities of the key rural institutions in 3 (+2) target countries
- ▶ Effective learning systems established and embedded in organizational processes with strengthened human and institutional capacities to manage the systematization of good practices
- ▶ Improved knowledge exchanges among stakeholders based on increased adoption of good practices and knowledge transfer for increased SSTC, replication and scaling up

**DONOR:** IFAD

**PERIOD:** JUNE 2018 – JUNE 2022 (4 years)

**TARGET COUNTRIES:**

1 MOLDOVA 2 MOROCCO 3 SUDAN



Project website: <https://mel.cgiar.org/projects/738>

## REGIONAL WORKSHOP

### “BRIDGING KNOWLEDGE CREATION AND SHARING FOR NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND CLIMATE RESILIENCE”

NOVEMBER 13–15, 2019 IN RABAT, MOROCCO

This event drew together key stakeholders and institutions in order to facilitate and support the development of Knowledge Management best practices and capacities in the project’s three target countries: Moldova, Morocco, and Sudan.

The events within the workshop were developed to encourage knowledge exchange and systematization of solutions for stakeholders representing rural development institutions, agricultural research extension services, research institutions, universities, and policy informers. Therefore, workshop participants contributed expertise from a wide spectrum of disciplines, including: economics, social science, information technology, engineering and agronomy. The diverse array of perspectives present in the workshop enriched the exchange of knowledge and competences through thoughtful presentations, in-depth discussions, and animated debates. A blog about the events can be found [here](#).



(1) Workshop Participants, November 14th 2019

WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES

PARTICIPATION:

69 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS



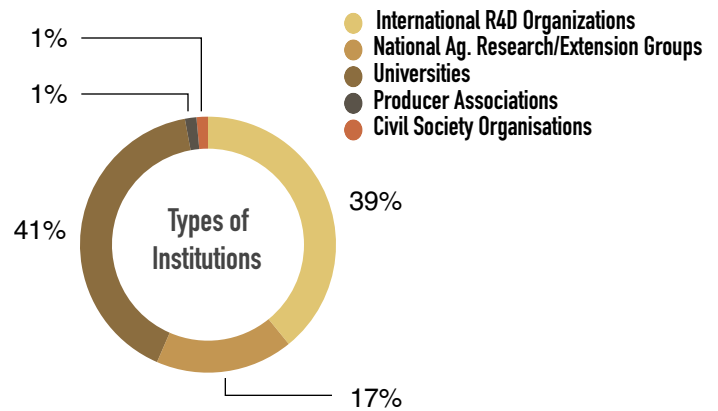
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14 COUNTRIES



24 INSTITUTIONS



DAY 1: COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE



(2) Elamin Hassan (KariaNet - Sudan), November 14th

Communities of Practice (CoP) were established around key themes pertaining to the interests of participating institutions. Three CoPs were organized around the following topics: Sustainable Land Management, Livestock, and Traditional Knowledge. Within each CoP session, key representatives shared their experience with KM for communal growth. Each CoP then devised group objectives and a plan of work for the project’s duration period.

DAY 2: KNOWLEDGE SYMPOSIUM



(3) Workshop Participants, November 2019

This all-day event was attended by both project stakeholders and self-funded participants, including students and scientists from international research for development organizations. The sessions featured presentations, workshops, and discussions around key thematic areas including: natural resource management, sustainable land management, conservation agriculture, livestock data, agricultural development solutions, and climate resilience.



## PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

**INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE:  
“TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE –  
WHAT’S MISSING? WHAT DO WE STILL  
NEED TO KNOW?”****NOVEMBER 29 & 30, 2019 IN BALTI,  
MOLDOVA**

*(4) Conference attendees, November 29th 2019*

After having helped establish a CoP on Sustainable Land Management, the Selectia Research Institute of Field Crops (with financial support from IFAD) followed up by hosting an international scientific conference in Balti, Moldova. The event welcomed agronomists, policy specialists, students and professors in a 2 day series of presentations and discussions centered around conservation agriculture. Knowledge was leveraged through the formation of new partnerships and exchange of expertise. In order to facilitate rapid dissemination of the information exchanged, all events were live-streamed and recorded for later viewing. This feature was noted as a best practice for knowledge management and will be promoted at future events. Recordings of both conference days can be found [here](#).

**WHAT'S NEXT? KEY PROJECT DATES**

**ECO-FORUM MOLDOVA 2020:** “Multifunctional Concept of Agriculture - Big Opportunity for Organic Farming” June 3-5, Chisinau and Balti, Moldova

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