Group work on integrating the learning into the regional flagships

Eastern and Southern Africa flagship
Systems approach

• Significant discussion on working at action sites and linking this to activities outside action sites in the perspective to bringing things to scale
  – Options for joint research and scaling possibly larger in larger bilaterally funded projects, discussion on where we work together as a group
  – No conclusion, but needs further reflection
Systems approach

• Understanding systems research is prerequisite
  – Systematic diagnosis of constraints and opportunities (scaling domains, options, critical analysis)
  – Develop options by context with livelihood perspective
  – Collect baseline data through HH surveys, spatial data
  – Consider both indigenous and improved
  – Team composition, skills, turnover and leadership
  – Develop operational framework for systems research
Systems approach

• Identify partners from public and private institutions (research education development finance)

• Identify potential large bilateral projects and other activities that we can be linked with

• Revisit and explore the big messages to communicate
How will you operationalize a more coherent flagship aligned to the overall research questions?

• Constitute management team from IRT with clear ToR and authority that can take programmatic decisions

• Identify funding gaps and collaboratively develop bilateral projects within or outside action sites
Critical gaps in terms of capacity or implementation support and how should they be addressed?

– Lack of common understanding about the systems research and pragmatic ability to implement systems methods within (and between) flagships

– Data collection and archival system – Research methods group

– Operation through innovation platform