

SKiM

**Strengthening Knowledge Management
for Greater Development Effectiveness**
in the **Near East, North Africa,
Central Asia and Europe**



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The Project

SKiM Project Overview: Goal and Outcomes

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

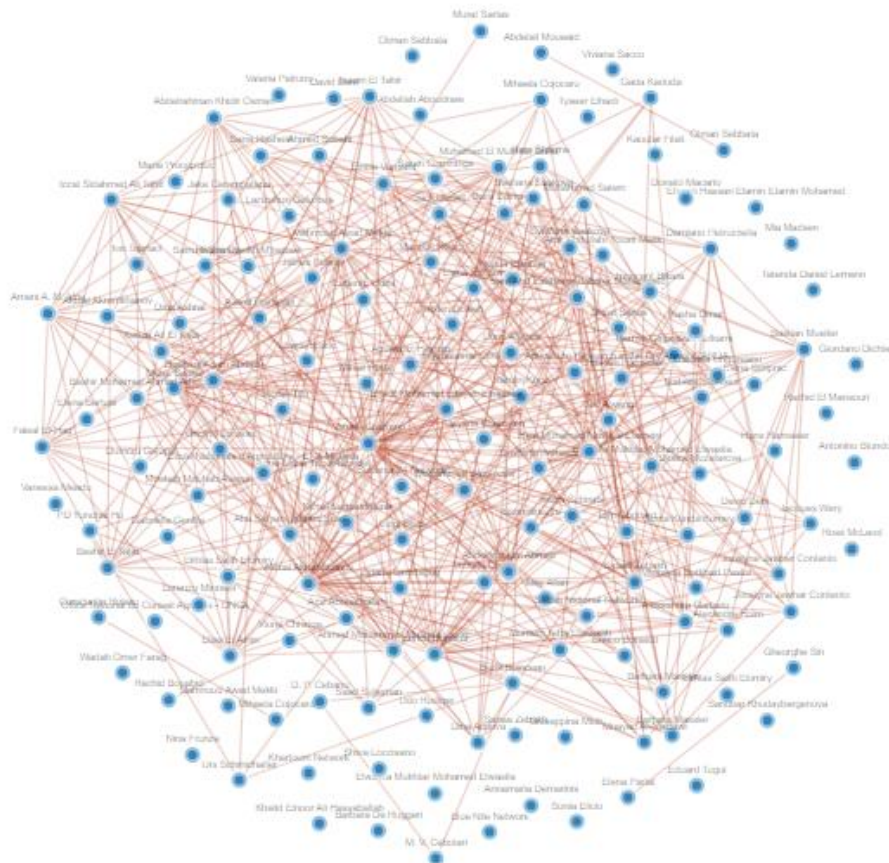
**PERIOD: JUNE 2018 - MARCH 2023
(+9 MONTHS EXTENSION)**

1 MOLDOVA 2 MOROCCO 3 SUDAN

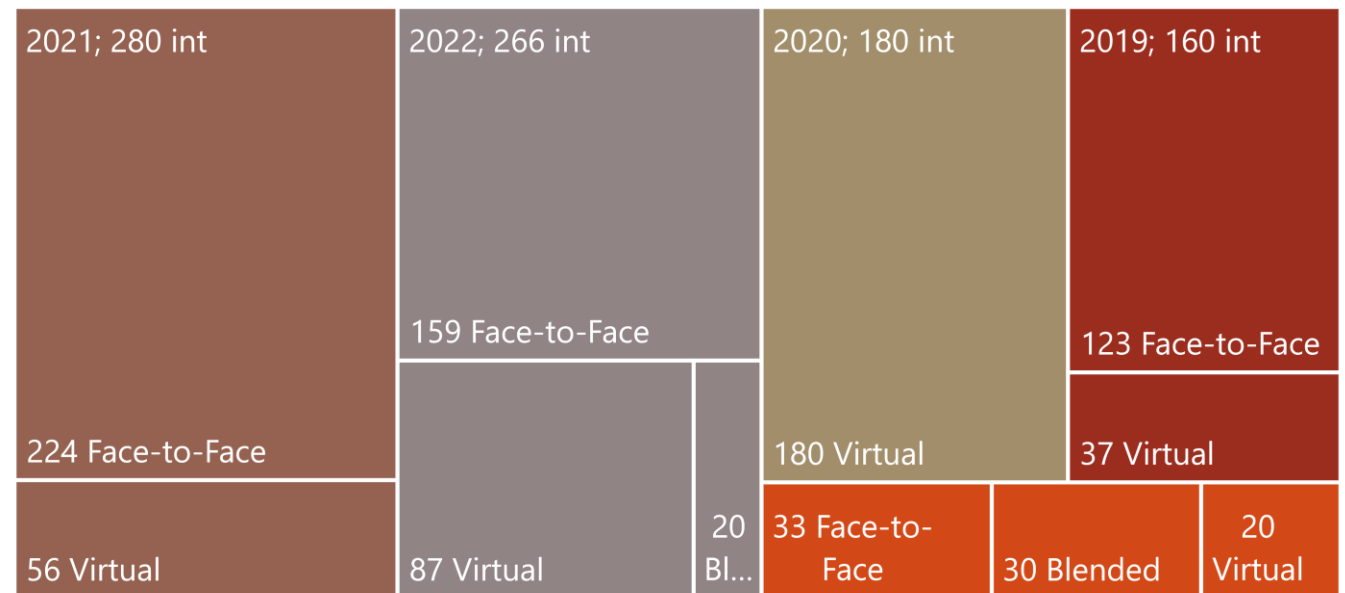


SKiM Knowledge in Practice

- Overall, a total of **158 Authors** have been identified across a knowledge products generation network of **413 connections**.
- Overall, a total of **908 Presences** have been identified across a knowledge transfer & sharing network of **917 interactions**.



■ 2018; 83 int ■ 2019; 160 int ■ 2020; 180 int ■ 2021; 280 int ■ 2022; 266 int



SKiM Newsletters



| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Newsletters issued | 3+5 | 9 | 11 |
| Open rate | ~40% | ~42% | ~40% |
| Recipients | ~1500+ | ~1700+ | ~2700+ |

Overall statistics



Lessons Learned & Future Steps

The **Communities of Practice** established through SKiM have proven to be resilient entities. The resulting network has made possible delivering SKiM activities, supporting partners in their KM autonomous activities, and enable meaningful knowledge sharing at national levels. Establishing the CoPs right after the inception phase has proven instrumental to these achievements and future possibilities of **establishing and nurturing CoPs** should be explored.



The clear formulation and delivery of **Knowledge Symposia** has highlighted the responsiveness of the SKiM KM CoPs in acquiring and make use of knowledge sharing methodologies, which have been adapted by context and based on national partners expertise meeting SKiM partners capacity development needs. Further knowledge transfer of **knowledge sharing methodologies** has potential to scale.



The national partners have proven to be ready for capitalization of their own knowledge towards meaningful products and developments after receiving appropriate **Trainings**, with the same institutions producing those assets and elaborating their needs for organizational growth, international cooperation and national contexts development. Further efforts in **capacity development** present possibility for regional scaling.



The Communities

Moldova

2022 KM Activities

- National Technical Committee (online meeting 16th February 2022)
- Brainstorming on knowledge products and collaborations
- Communications with the representatives from SKiM about IFAD projects in Moldova and exploring synergies with SKiM project
- National Technical Committee (online meeting May 2022)
- [Agroindustrial complex: milestones for investment and export growth in Moldova study by Viorel Chivriga, economic policy expert, IDIS Viitorul \(english\)](#)
- Implementation of drones in precision agriculture. Politics recommendations for Moldova study by Dorin Afanas, expert, IDIS Viitorul (romanian)
- Knowledge and Innovation Transfer through Technology Transfer Offices (TTOs): Approaching the Entrepreneurship support through the design of business laboratory, training 03-07 October 2022
- Morocco Learning Route, period 19-26 June 2022

Moldova

Feedback & Lessons Learned

At the round tables were discussed the following moments:

1. Sustainable (organic) farming could be a solution to the many problems in the agricultural sector.

The implementation of such a concept requires efficient management of agricultural crops, careful monitoring of soil resources, and of the dynamics of crop growth. *All this would be possible if drones were applied.* The views were expressed at a round table focused on options and ideas for smart agriculture in Moldova.

After the round table, the author made last modification on policy proposal to government and the paper was send to the Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment and was published on IDIS webpage [Agricultura de precizie. Recomandări de politici.pdf \(viitorul.org\)](#)

2. Authors of both studies made the last modifications and the Country Knowledge Note and An analysis regarding the identification of highlights for investments and the increase in exports of Moldovan agricultural products (28 pages) was translated, published [Agroindustrial complex](#) report [EN.pdf \(viitorul.org\)](#) / [RO](#) and disseminated nationally.

Moldova

SKiM-II Potential Activities

Main country **objectives:**

All partners will focus on and make an impact on the results, due to the fact that almost every partner has a point of contact, is the domain of Conservation Agriculture (CA).

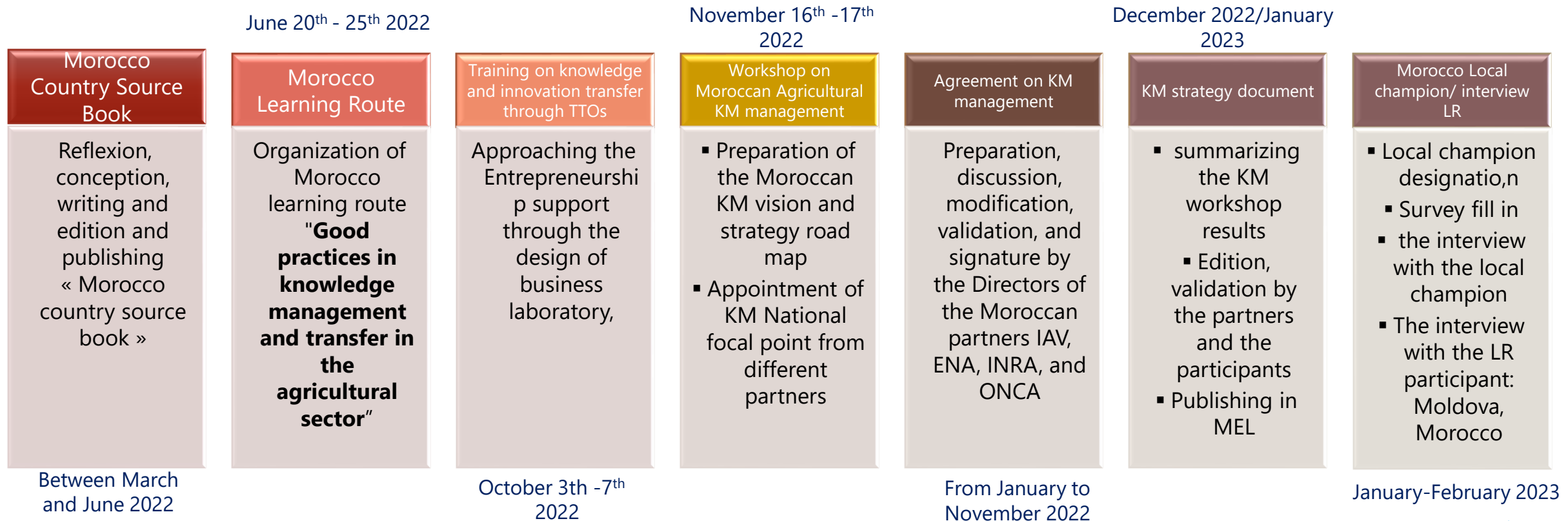
Digitalization – high potential for impact on agriculture

Potential Activities:

Digitalization training and development

Morocco

2022 KM Activities



Morocco

Feedback & Lessons Learned

- ❑ Full commitment of decision makers from Moroccan institutions to collaborate in the KM system. The agreement was mentioned as a good example of collaboration in this issue
- ❑ Morocco Learning route cases studies and site visits were a good opportunity to learn from success stories related to:
 - ❑ Woman empowerment (example of startups that promote local agric. Products (honey, argan and derived cosmetic products
 - ❑ R&D linkage between academic and practical farming through farm advisor/ CoP and F2F
 - ❑ The UM6P case study on community engagement and entrepreneurship is a good experience that will be adopted by national partners (INRA /IAV/ENA) that foresee to setup their own TTO and support and accompany the creation of joint venture startups
- ❑ Some good examples from the Moldova and Sudan Learning case studies can be adopted at the Moroccan situation

Morocco

SKiM-II Potential Activities

Support the implementation of the KM agreement and strategy, developed and adopted during the SKiM phase I, by facilitating the :

- ☐ Transferring success stories to the Moroccan case on the same issue (learn from others)
- ☐ Supporting the development of the Moroccan SKiM project platform for managing, saving and sharing knowledge between the four project partners (IAV, ONCA, ENA, INRA) and the Agricultural departments or institutions (ADA/UM6P/ENFI/DEFR)
- ☐ Adding other National and international partners to scale up the level of the exchange and the learning
- ☐ Defining the process and standards for KM
- ☐ Customize / Adapt/ Scale up existing KM tools to meet the new Moroccan KM strategy recommendations;
- ☐ Designing and implementing KM plan in full accordance with the Moroccan Green generation objectives and expectations and institutions potential and experience in KM.
- ☐ Identifying the priority steps to initiate a Capacity building for the different KM actors (Administrators/ Takers/ Givers / Enduser)
- ☐ Setting performance indicators for the KM system
- ☐ Providing finance for KM running projects and activities
- ☐ Raising awareness of Decision Makers to the KM projects, activities and results

Sudan

2022 KM Activities

| No | Items | Time line | Notice |
|----|--------------------------------|--|---------------|
| 1 | Training (4) | June – to December | On in Gazira |
| 2 | Round Tables Discussion (3) | October - December | |
| 3 | Monthly forum (3) | April – November | One in Gazira |
| 4 | Symposium (3) | November *** | One in Gazira |
| 5 | Radio Talk | 10 (3 stations) | |
| 6 | T.V Programs | 2 programs (2 stations) | |
| 7 | Social Media | 1 Blog – 1 Facebook Page- 2 WhatsApp Groups | |

Sudan

Feedback & Lessons Learned

- 1. More Activities for Youth**
- 2. strengthen Interaction between all KM Institutions**
- 3. Rising up Skill of Editing for Internet and Social Media**
- 4. special studies of KM**

Sudan

SKiM-II Potential Activities

- 1. Formulate KM National policies**
- 2. Establish KM National Unit**
- 3. KM Capacity Building**

Bazar SKiM



Present your Achievements

State your Interests

Offer your Expertise



Innovation Agreement Tables

National Agreement & Strategy

Needed: Sudan
Offer: Morocco

Climate-Smart Agriculture

Shared Interest: Moldova,
Morocco, Sudan

Indigenous Knowledge & Online Surveys

Needed: Sudan
Offer: Procasur

Local Networking
Needed: Sudan, Moldova
Offer: Morocco

Long-term Fuds
Shared Interest: Moldova,
Morocco

Facilitation with Extensionists
Needed: Moldova
Offer: Procasur

CoP Development
Needed: Morocco, Sudan
Offer: Moldova

Organic Business
Needed: Moldova
Offer: Sudan

Agri-Entrepreneurship & Agri-Business

Needed: Moldova, Morocco,
Sudan
Offer: CIHEAM-Bari

Business Development
Needed: Morocco, Sudan
Offer: Moldova

Tools, IT, KM CapDev
Needed: Morocco
Offer: ICARDA

TTO Development
Needed: Morocco, Moldova,
Sudan
Offer: CIHEAM-Bari

Digitalization
Needed: Sudan
Offer: Moldova

Innovation Agreement Template

| Expression of Interest | Communities / Partners | Points of Interests |
|--|------------------------|---|
| | O | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gap • Need |
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| Area of Activity (Policy/ Technology/ Skills/ Standards) | Activity Rationale | |

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