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The "<u>Knowledge Portal</u>" (KP) developed within the framework of SKIM project is a multi-stakeholder platform that connects different actors in the agri-food system to promote joint knowledge creation, sharing and learning opportunities. It also provides the opportunity to coordinate multiple efforts to improve the knowledge management systems in the countries targeted by SKIM project (Moldova, Morocco, Sudan).

The KP fosters the Knowledge Management engagement of participating institutions on national and global stages to:

- Enhance their relationship with end users, stakeholders and funders;
- Enhance the quality and frequency of their Knowledge Sharing activities;
- Provide a channel to showcase their activities as result of an improved KM internal process;
- Benefit end users and institutions worldwide with KM assets developed by participating institutions and showcased on the platform;
- Realize a key asset for the establishment of a Community of Practice (CoP).

The initial version of the Open Access Knowledge Portal was developed and launched in 2019.

The development was based on the technology developed for the <u>Monitoring, Evaluation</u> <u>& Learning (MEL) Platform</u> to deliver practical for use by key target audiences.

The Knowledge Portal was greatly welcomed by the Stakeholders since it allowed the institutions that don't have their own web resource or funds for development to save, capitalize and share knowledge using the Portal as the online repository.

The content was populated with the information and data related to the SKiM project thematic areas:

- Natural Resource Management and climate resilience;
- ☑ Innovative agriculture technologies;
- Women and youth support in agriculture business;
- Institutional Knowledge Management.



The SKiM team continued to work on Portal enhancement enrolling more institutions. In 2021 the first successful integration was completed between Knowledge Portal and State Agrarian University of Moldova (SAUM) which resulted in automated harvesting the publications and sharing them on the Portal with the relevant metadata for better visibility and dissemination. This achievement was result of a great cooperation between knowledge management and development teams of SAUM and SKiM. The same efforts are currently underway in close collaboration with the University of Khartoum, which has underlined the importance of expanding outreach of research results and providing findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable (FAIR) information online.



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	Agriculture in the Republic of Moldova in terms of soil remediation and protection The purpose of our research presented in this article is to remedy soil properties through phytotechnical methods by creating a positive balance of carbon, nitrogen, humus and stopping arable degradation processes. The existing system of agriculture in the republic led to the dehumification, destruction, biological degradation of the arable layer and loss of the material's resistance to compacting. The researchers are carried out in the Central and Southern areas of the Republic of Moldova. A phytotechnical process was applied from a mixture of leguminous and grassy perennial herbs in equal proportions (alfalfa + steppe raspberries + vetches), the harvest of which was used as fodder production. As a result, a positive influence on the quality of the degraded arable layer of chernozems was established. Thus, they were returned to the 0-35 cm layer of rable soil of about 25.5 tha of absolutely dry organic residues (5.1 tha annually with an average nitrogen content of 1.9%) and the synthesis of about 5.5 tha of humus (1.1 t/ha annually) was created, the content of organic substance in this layer increased on average by about 0.20% or 0.04% annual.				
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The evolution of KP portal continued in 2022 with the release of the upgraded version. The Portal was redesigned to improve user experience and website navigation. Special attention of the users is brought to "Explorer", the new module that provides the synthesis of all the knowledge products available on KP.



The information and materials from the "Knowledge Portal" developed within the framework of SKiM project can be found on multiple web resources:

<u>IFAD KM Resource centre</u> — valuable source for IFAD staff and consultants, partners and stakeholders who are interested to follow good knowledge management practices and training opportunities from all around the world.



SKiM Knowledge Management Portal

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The IFAD funded SKiM Knowledge ManagementCommunitiesPortal is a beacon of publications, news, data andPracticeinformation coming from research forExperiencedevelopment organizations, academia,Gapitalizationgovernment bodies, national agriculturalFacilitationresearch systems and extensionists across theKnowledgeglobe. The Portal is built to enhance the outreachManagement

of the scientific and organizational knowledge aggregated, fostering partnership building and information sharing across users and institutions, strengthening knowledge management and providing the basis for more advanced knowledge visualization. Access the Portal here!

SKiM - Moldova Country Source Book

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The Moldova Country Source Book is a product of fruitful collaboration between stakeholders within the frames of Learning Routes, which are based on peer-to-peer knowledge transfer between practitioners. The route bridges "users" and "providers", in a mutually beneficial knowledge exchange for learning, growth and innovation. Download here

Strengthening KM for greater Development Effectiveness

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Knowledge Management 2nd Symposium in Sudan

The 2nd Symposium on Knowledge Management took place on August 23, 2022 in Khartoum, Sudan.

The symposium was attended by 70 participants representing the government bodies, international organizations, universities, local NGOs, farmers and producers' unions, agricultural banks and insurance companies, private business representatives.

The national event was organized by the Sudanese National Technical Committee in the framework of SKiM with the support of IFAD, ICARDA, the Sudanese Ministry of Agriculture and Forests.

The main topics of the Symposium were related to:

Climate Smart Agriculture:

- Innovations to improve productivity of rain-fed crops;
- Agroforestry for sustainable land use in the drylands of Sudan;
- Technologies to improve crop production for the irrigated sector;
- Agricultural risk management to improve farmers livelihoods.



Climate change aspects:

- Climate change in Sudan: trends, impact and adaptation in crop production sector;
- Adaptation technologies to improve animal production in Sudan;
- Monitoring and Evaluation.

Each of the section of the Symposium was supported by a presentation and followed by a fruitful discussion led by the panel head.

The information on the event was widely disseminated in local mass media (TV, radio, newspapers).



More information about Knowledge Management 2nd Symposium in Sudan <u>here</u>



SKiM Exit Strategy

for Sustainability of Knowledge Management Strengthening Interventions

As the SKiM project comes to an end, it is important that there is continuation of net benefits that have accrued from the project to either projects direct beneficiaries, or to a broader scope of beneficiaries (next- and end-users).

The Exit Strategy for Sustainability of Knowledge Management Strengthening Interventions presents what SKiM has delivered towards ensuring project results are taken up by stakeholders and recommendations of actions for takeover institutions to be able to maintain and further their strengthened level of KM capabilities in the years to come. The document highlights key interventions conducted by SKiM to facilitate stakeholder readiness and related recommendations of actions for stakeholders who will perform as takeover institutions, capitalizing on the results and resource tools identified, produced and transferred within the project implementation.

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Read the first version of the SKiM Exit Strategy <u>here</u> and look forward for the updated version coming in December, updated based on feedbacks.



Upcoming events and opportunities

06–18 November 2022



Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC (COP 27). Event details \rightarrow







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