

Regional Training Workshop: ‘Policy Development and Harmonization’

Pre-Policy Dialogue Training Meeting

Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Date: 1-2 September 2012

Venue: White Sand Hotel

Facilitator: Bellah Mpfu

FANRPAN will hold a Pre- Policy Dialogue Training Workshop for project partners working on regional seed policy alignment to the SADC Seed Regulatory System.

Meeting Objectives

The objective of the meeting is to provide a platform for sharing the results of the report on the HaSSP study on seed policy harmonization that was commissioned by FANRPAN in the six pilot countries of Malawi, Swaziland, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The meeting will also examine the role of non-state actors in national policy alignment as well as mechanisms for enhanced policy alignment.

The 2 day workshop, which is scheduled for 1-2 September 2012, is expected to enhance the capacity of country teams to expedite national alignment processes and come up with action plans for preparing draft legislation for presenting to the parliamentary and cabinet committees for approval. The training workshop participants will be drawn from experts on seed certification, variety release, phytosanitary and quarantine, seed growers, seed advocacy elders, legal experts and policy makers.

The training sessions will be conducted by two trainers from the Centre for Applied Legal Research (CALR), with expertise and experience in the areas of:

- 1) Public international law aspects of domestication of international and regional legal instruments in national legal systems, and
- 2) National legal and policy reform processes of the agriculture sector

Draft Programme

Time	Theme	Facilitator/Speaker
08:30-09:00	Registration	Sipiwe Mapanda
09:00-09:30	Welcome Remarks and Introductions	FANRPAN
09:30-10:00	Overview and Objectives	Nyasha Chishakwe
10:00-10:30	Tea Break	Tea Break
DAY 1	DAY 1	DAY 1
10.30-11:00	Presentation on Legal Status of SADC Technical Agreements and	Choice Damiso

	Implications for National Policy Alignment	
11:00-13:00	<p>Group Discussion: Country Teams discuss on draft legislation and action plan for finalizing the drafts and presenting to parliamentary and cabinet legal committees by December 2012. The group discussions will be guided by the Legal experts from CARL and a consultant from JIMAT.</p> <p>Malawi, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe</p>	Nyasha Chishakwe , Choice Damiso, Munhamo Chisvo
13:00-14:00	Lunch	Lunch
14:00-15:00	Report back by Country Teams	Nyasha Chishakwe
15:00-15:30	Tea Break	Tea Break
15:30-16:15	Plenary discussion and way forward	Munhamo Chisvo
DAY 2	DAY 2	DAY 2
09:00-09:30	Reflections from day 1	Choice Damiso
09:30-10:00	Role and Function of Non-State Actors in National Policy Alignment	Nyasha Chishakwe
10:00-10:30	Tea Break	Tea Break
10:30-11:30	Group Discussion & reporting to plenary	Nyasha Chishakwe
11:30-12:00	Mechanisms for Enhanced Policy Alignment	Nyasha Chishakwe
12:00-13:00	Lunch	Lunch
13:00-14:00	Group Discussion & reporting to plenary	Choice Damiso
14:00-14:30	Tea Break	Tea Break
14:30-15:00	Way Forward on HaSSP Policy Alignment Processes	Choice Damiso, Nyasha Chishakwe and FANRPAN
15:00-15.15	Close	FANRPAN