COLLABORATE
EXCHANGE REFLECT
LEARN NEW IDEAS SHARE
PEOPLE PROCESS TECHNOLOGY

# KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

LEARN FROM EXPERIENCE CONNECT
PACKAGE & ORGANIZE INFORMATION
KNOWLEDGE RETENTION ADAPT
SOLVE DELIVERY CHALLENGES
CREATE INNOVATE EVIDENCE
STORY-TELLING NETWORKS
CAPTURE LESSONS
LESS DUPLICATION
WORK SMARTER



# KM strategy and action plan

#### The impact we want: knowledge is transformed into development results

#### IT'S ABOUT PEOPLE

The knowledge of staff and consultants is IFAD's most valuable asset. The action plan will help us get better at valuing and leveraging it.

### **ALL OF US ARE SMARTER THAN ANY OF US**

Peer-to-peer knowledge sharing and learning through communities of practice and networks will help us build and curate IFAD's knowledge base.

#### **BETTER TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS**

People will be able to connect and collaborate more easily across distances. User-friendly platforms will put the information we need at our fingertips.

#### THEORY OF CHANGE

#### **IMPACT**

Knowledge is assembled and transformed, including through partnerships, into better development results for poor rural people and greater impact towards the 2030 Agenda, especially SDG 1 and SDG 2.





#### **OUTCOMES**



Improved quality of projects and stronger knowledge base lead to expanded impact.



- Higher quality project and country programme results
- Scaled up development results
- Enhanced use of evidence-based and experiential knowledge
- Greater visibility, credibility and influence
- Stronger learning culture

#### **OUTPUTS**



Greater synergies in knowledge-intensive work create a learning culture that has a



- Interventions designed using best available knowledge
- Approaches and tools maximize learning and knowledge flows in IFAD's decentralized context
- Evidence, best practices and lessons readily searchable and available
- Strategic knowledge products developed and learning events organized
- Integrated systems for capturing, systematizing, storing and sharing knowledge at country, regional and headquarters levels
- External knowledge leveraged through partnerships and global engagement
- Incentive structure for learning, sharing and innovative behaviour in place
- Capacities of IFAD staff and implementation partners improved

### **ACTIVITIES**



Adequate resources are available; knowledge flows are maintained in a more decentralized environment; staff respond to incentives.

- Knowledge generation
- Knowledge use
- Enabling environment



## What will be different?

The action plan 2019-2021: knowledge generation, knowledge use and enabling environment

#### **VISIBILITY ON THE GLOBAL STAGE**



Clients say knowledge products are timely, relevant and useful



30%

increase in views, downloads and citations of knowledge products



60%

of knowledge products accessible in external repositories



50%

of knowledge products address knowledge gaps

#### **DELIVERING FASTER AND BETTER**



80%

of projects at completion with lessons learned rated 5 and above



60%

of supervisions have quality review of KM activities



**30**%

of PDTs get faster access to relevant knowledge through packages compiled using emerging technologies



Innovative technology solutions support dynamic virtual meetings, workshops and trainings



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Communities and networks are resourced and supported



KM solutions and support for staff in HQ, hubs and projects: capacity building, guidance, expertise, appropriate platforms, communities

## AGILE, EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE



Easier access to what we know reduces duplication of effort and avoids repetition of mistakes



More systematic handover supports business continuity and reduces knowledge loss



50%

of staff trained in KM use new skills in their work

#### WHAT CAN I DO?

A few examples:

**Managers**: provide leadership; foster a culture of ideas, creativity, learning and knowledge sharing; be clear about what you expect from staff; recognize good practice.

Country Directors and CPMs: pay attention to KM from design to completion; document, use and share lessons; ask for support and feedback from KM team; ensure staff have capacity and clear guidance.

**Technical specialists**: broker knowledge; make IFAD's and own knowledge visible and accessible; identify innovations; build communities and networks; continuously develop technical knowledge and expertise.

**Programme Associates/Assistants**: promote knowledge products through social media and targeted distribution; identify opportunities to co-create knowledge products with grant recipients; organize knowledge sharing events; organize information so it is accessible.

# IFAD's KM architecture



**SKD KM team**: coordination, advice, support, guidelines, tools, capacity building, corporate knowledge products and outreach, library.

Regional teams and sub-regional hubs: advice and support to integrate knowledge and KM in portfolio and results management; ensure knowledge flows.

KM coordination group: IFAD-wide working group - collaborate on action plan implementation and reporting.

SSTC and Knowledge Centres: pivotal role in identifying and sharing best practice in and across regions.

KM CoP: link staff and consultants working on KM - collaborate, learn, adapt.

... and KM is everyone's business!



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