



ACCELERATING THE IMPACT OF CGIAR Climate Research for Africa



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Outline

Climate change and smallholder farmers

Decision relevant climate agro-advisories

Delivery of Digital-Agro-advisory Services

Integrating digital ag advisory services

Conclusion

Climate change is exacerbating the challenges of smallholder agriculture in Africa







Smallholder farmers are mostly risk-averse

Fail to exploit opportunities during good years

~ 5 million wheat farmers in Ethiopia









Addressing and managing climate variability & change through technological and institutional innovations is critical for transforming smallholder agriculture.

One of such innovations is delivering decision relevant digital climate agro advisories

Decision relevant climate agro-advisories



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Delivery of Digital-Agro-advisory Services



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Integrating digital ag advisory services (bundling)







Target Users

- Farmers (# 25,000)
- Development agents (# 1300)
- Agro-dealers (#200)
- Policy makers
- Agro-pastoralists
- Pastoralists
- Experts
- Input suppliers
- Processors
- Transporters

Concluding Remarks

Scaling climate agro-advisory services at national level is the way forward.

Working towards the Ministry of Agriculture (extension service) to own the advisory system (EDACaP)

Building the capacity of DAs on the use of ICT (ICT-Smart DAs)

Public-private partnership in digital ag services is critical for scaling

Strengthening integration/bundling of climate agroadvisory services with other risk management options such as insurance, credit and input delivery systems.



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