

CONCEPT NOTE



Background

Agriculture plays a crucial role in the SADC regional economy, contributing 35% to its gross domestic product and serving as a vital source of food, income, and employment for approximately 70% of the population (RISDP, undated). However, the sector is facing significant challenges due to climate change, which threatens food and nutrition security. Recognizing the urgency of finding sustainable solutions, the Agricultural Research Council (ARC) of the Republic of South Africa, in collaboration with the University of Eswatini (UNESWA) of the Kingdom of Eswatini and the Zambia College of Agriculture-Monze in Zambia, have embarked on a TEAM3C project. This project, funded by the German development agency (GIZ), aims to develop SADC-based training programs focused on climate-smart agriculture and climate-sensitive natural resource management.

Objectives

The workshop aims:

- To introduce the TEAM3C project
- To create a stakeholder database, and
- To facilitate their participation in developing the e-learning programs.

Format and Participation

The workshop will be a 2-hour virtual engagement on the 30th of May, held via Microsoft Teams.

Meeting Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 368 097 085 280

Passcode: 2CeXCH

Expected Outcomes

- Establishment of a comprehensive stakeholder database across the SADC region.
- Foster a collaborative network for knowledge sharing and the development of e-learning programs.
- Promote a participatory approach that incorporates diverse perspectives and expertise.
- To formulate a SADC stakeholder forum for CSA/NRM

Workshop Participants

The workshop is open to individuals and institutions in the fields of agriculture, natural resources management, education, and climate change. The workshop is all-inclusive, and invitees are encouraged to extend the invitation to their own contacts.

Enquiries

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