HARMONIZED SEED SECURITY PROJECT (HaSSP)

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A major constraint to agricultural productivity and food security in SADC is an inadequate supply of high quality seed due to climatic, economic and human factors.

In years of seed shortage member states need to import seeds from neighbouring countries. However, this process can be complicated because laws and regulations are disjointed.

The implementation of the SADC Harmonized Seed Regulatory System will make a significant difference to the region, culminating in a larger SADC market for seed.

FANRPAN is implementing this pilot project (2010-13) in four SADC member states to provide enabling support to domesticate the regional seed protocol, harmonize seed policies and legislation and implement the provisions of the protocol with enhanced national capacities.

The four pilot countries are:
- Malawi
- Swaziland
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

FANRPAN makes use of the following instruments to achieve this goal:

- Policy dialogue platforms
- Consultancy studies
- Policy research and advocacy
- Provision of technical assistance to review national policy and legislative on seed
- Capacity strengthening of key institutions and individuals involved in critical stages of the seed value chain
- Monitoring and evaluation

EXPECTED OUTPUTS 2010-2013

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