

Prolinnova Kenya Report for the Annual African Regional Meeting 2020



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Project(s) being implemented by PK

Scaling Up Local Capacity to Innovate for Food and Nutrition Security (SULCI-FaNS)

- ▶ PK is one of the 4 CPs involved in Misereor-funded SULCI-FaNS project (**brief about SULCI-FaNS**).

Objectives of SULCI-FaNS

- ❖ Strengthening innovative capacity of smallholder rural farmers to improve FaNS and resilience of local communities (**CP specific**).
- ❖ National and local MSP members have become major players in facilitating and scaling up the PID approach in all SULCI-FANS partner countries (**CP specific**).
- ❖ PROLINNOVA regionalisation process completed in Africa (**SR**)

Activities under SULCI-FaNS

1. Local Innovation Identification

- ▶ 24 LIs identified so far (Kisumu-11; Makueni-13)
- ▶ 15 LIs are by women (Kisumu-7; Makueni-8)
- ▶ PK has surpassed project target of at least 20 LIs (**at end of 3 years**)



2. PID Training

- ▶ PK has trained 21 local support team members in LI/PID (Kisumu-11; Makueni 10)
- ▶ The trained are also expected to train others in their **respective** institutions and/or organisations.



Activities cont'd...

3. Documentation of LIs

- ▶ Detailed and continuous documentation of identified Local Innovations ongoing at action-learning sites.
- ▶ Documentation is at 3 levels (**Coordinator, Innovator and Implementing Partners/LSC**).
- ▶ Documentation is progressive (updating all LIs from Proli-FaNS)
- ▶ Latest version of Catalogue of LIs will be done (**after 3 years**).



Activities cont'd...

4. Institutionalisation of LI/PID approaches

- ▶ PK has developed a policy-dialogue concept and institutionalisation strategy.
- ▶ Strategies and concepts are periodically modified and/or customised depending on prevailing issues.
- ▶ Stakeholders and institutions of target are currently being engaged to better understand policymaking processes in their various institutions.

Initiatives concerning life of PK

► PK has responded to the following CFPs since 2019 IPW :

No	Title	Type	Donor/Caller	Status
1.	Advancing effective participation of forest & farm producer organisations through co-management and responsible forest management approaches in Kenya & Uganda	Joint Prolinnova (Kenya & Uganda)	Farm Forest Facility	Unsuccessful
2.	Locally Formulated Dairy-Goat Meal (LOFODA G-Meal) providing food and nutrition security, building resilience and bringing about communal harmony in the face of climate change in Kisumu, Kenya	Self	Mohamed Bin Rashid Initiative	Yet to communicate
3.	Improving household nutrition through commercialising Locally Formulated Dairy Goat Meal (LOFODA-G-Meal)	Self	Partnerships for Green Growth Goals	Unsuccessful

Initiatives concerning life of PK cont'd...

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4.	Improving rural livelihoods through bio-based technologies and circular value chains in Africa	Consortium	European Commission	Waiting for feedback...
5.	Promoting Local Innovation for strengthened community resilience and adaptability to impacts of climate change in informal settlements of Kisumu City, Kenya.	Self	Cities Alliance	Unsuccessful
6.	Enhancing community resilience to shocks of climate change for Food and Nutrition Security	Self	Roddenberry Foundation	Waiting for feedback...
7.	Participatory assessment and promotion of women and youth-led innovation in the management of tropical forest resources & associated value chains in Uganda & Kenya	Joint Prolinnova (Kenya & Uganda)	David and Lucile Packard Foundation	Waiting for feedback...

Governance within CP/NSC

Changes in NSC:

- ▶ Geoffrey Kamau (KALRO) replaced by Bell Okello (ETC Consulting) as chairperson
- ▶ Other changes in the NSC included new membership such as:
 - I. George Chemining'wa, professor, Turkana University College
 - II. Florence Olubayo, professor, University of Nairobi

New organisation joined PK network:

- ▶ Center for Research and Development in Drylands (CRDD)
- ▶ As a result, PK has been co-opted into NaviNut project (subject to approval of the proposal).

CHALLENGES and how dealt with?

- ▶ Project restricted-tied funds-This makes it difficult to explore other areas which otherwise could bring more out.
- ▶ Limited resources especially funds which has rendered some prospective partners disappointed as a result of unmet expectations.
- ▶ Clashing schedule especially with other partner organizations has in some instances delayed some activities. This becomes a big challenge when coupled with delayed disbursement of funds for ongoing projects.

Efforts in addressing the challenges

- ▶ PK has been responding to many calls for proposals to ensure sufficient funds to reach out to zones.
- ▶ Explaining to the partners, at the joining point how PK operates, particularly on compensations and reimbursements.
- ▶ Flexibility in our workplans. PK is also engaging partner organizations to mentor at least an additional staff on Prolinnova activities and approaches.

Thank you

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