Agricultural risk management and resilience

Course: Understanding the risk environment in agriculture

Agriculture is a risky sector. Extreme weather conditions, pests and diseases and market uncertainties are just few examples of events that can negatively affect farming activities, posing a major threat to household’s livelihood and food security. This course will present an overview of concepts linked to agricultural risk management, describing which risks farmers face, within a holistic approach that covers the entire agrifood system.

1 hour of learning, depending on learning needs
Available in English

You will learn about

- Different risks affecting farming activities and their characteristics and main causes
- Implications of agricultural risks to farmers and other stakeholders in the agrifood system
- A holistic approach to risk management in agriculture
- Managing risks to improve livelihood and food security
Who is the course for?

The target audience for this course includes:

- Farmers, farm management advisors, farmer organizations and communities;
- Policymakers and planners, and other government officials; and
- Service and input providers and other intermediaries dealing with agricultural risk management services.

Key partners

The course was developed by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the Platform for Agricultural Risk Management (PARM) which is hosted by the International Fund for Agriculture Development (IFAD). The course is the result of the close collaboration with the European Commission (EC), Agence Française de Développement (AFD), Italian Directorate-General for Development Cooperation, KfW Development Bank, BMZ, and the New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD).

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