Risks in agriculture arise from a variety of sources. There are several risk management options that can be used to either mitigate, transfer or cope with risks in agriculture. Choosing the most appropriate tool depends on various factors such as type of risk, tools availability, and level of responsibility. This course focuses on what can be done at the farm, local area/community, and national levels to manage risks in agriculture.

2 hours of learning, depending on learning needs

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You will learn about

- Providing the outline of main on-farm and off-farm Agriculture Risk Management (ARM) tools
- Describing the major production, finance, market, and government-support related ARM tools
- Identifying the suitability of these tools by themselves or in combination
- Appreciating the advantages and disadvantages of the ARM tools
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).

How to access the course

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