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Developing user-centric climate services for more resilient agricultural communities in Peru

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Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS)

GFCS



Climandes

- Building an interface between users and providers & evaluating socio-economic benefits
- Producing user-tailored climate information for the agricultural sector in the Andean region



Strengthening training in meteorology and climatology in Peru & the Andean region



Source: http://www.wmo.int/gfcs







Pilot region Puno

- 350'000 small-scale farms in pilot regions
- Most important income and job source
- Mean altitude of 3'800 m.a.sl.
- Harsh climate conditions

...often information on an upcoming event is available, but not known, accessed or understood by marginalized population groups [Frey et al. 2017]



A two stage approach for the implementation of climate services

STAGE 1: «EVIDENCE FOR ACTION»

- Stakeholder Mapping
- Socio-economic vulnerability assessment
- Evaluation of distribution channels
- Estimation of socio-economic benefits of CS

Twinning: joint field study



STAGE 2: «TRANSLATING EVIDENCE INTO PRACTICE»

- Climate field workshops
- Opening new distribution channels
- Policy dialogue based on SEB results

Twinning success: ownership at SENAMHI







Socio-econonomic vulnerability assessment

- · Most damaging events are frost, drought and hail
- High adaptive capacity
- Low coping capacity

Socio-economic benefit

Frost warning would increase actual harvest by ~10%

Identified constraints limit the use of weather and climate information:

- Lack of access
- Lack of acceptance
- Lack of comprehension
- Lack of accuracy











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Monitoring of workshops



Subjective perception of participants





- Purveyors of climate information are not included in project set up, e.g. extension workers
- Guidelines for UIP implementation are missing
- Farmers have little confidence in the national weather service
 - high expectations vs. accuracy of forecast
 - Iow confidence in governmental institutions





Lessons learnt

- CS for smallholder farmers have a socio-economic benefit:
 - Early involvement of relevant stakeholders
 - Policy dialogue of benefit is needed to anchor CS at the weather service
- Access / comprehension / acceptance / accuracy of CS has to be ensured
- Regional centers are important for UIP implementation, but they need sufficient resources
- Twinning approach enables SENMAHI to take ownership in implementation of CS







Online-publication "Designing user-driven climate services" A checklist for practioneers, scientists and policy makers

- Project's approach, key findings and lessons learnt
- Guidance and example for similar initiatives







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