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REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION EVENTS CONCEPT

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	Title	REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION WORKSHOPS: AS PART OF THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION WEEK (UGNAEW2023)					
	Dates and Time	Selected days within the window of 10TH – 21ST May, 2023, 9.00am-4.00pm					
	Venues	Selected venues within the agreed regions indicated as:					
	Organizers	The Regional Agricultural Extension Champions supported by Uganda Forum for Agricultural Advisor Services (UFAAS)					
	Identified Partners	d Partners All the identified development partners who support activities of agriculture within the identified regions					
	Background to the Regional Events: About the planned National Event	The regional agricultural extension events, in form of workshops will be held as part of the planned Uganda National Agricultural Extension Week (UGNAEW2023). The UGNAEW2023 is being organised by the Uganda Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services (UFAAS), in partnership with the Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) and other partners.					
		The Uganda Forum for Agricultural Advisory services (UFAAS), is a Ugandan chapter of the African Forum of agriculture advisory services (AFAAS), that was established to bring together all Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services (AEAS) actors in Uganda. These range from: public sector, private sector, Academia (including schools), NGOs/civil society, farmer organizations to media.					
		The UGNAEW2023 is part one of the annual events that UFAAS has been organising since 2013, that bring together over 200 different actors and stakeholders to deliberate on AEAS issues critical to agricultural development. This main event will be held from 22 nd - 26 th May 2023, as a hybrid (physical and virtual). The theme of the event will be " <i>Unveiling innovative pluralistic AEAS approaches: Actors' resilience and competitiveness for food security and commercialized agriculture</i> " This Event will host synergetic presentations, discussions, and partners' side events, among others. The objectives of the event will be:					
		 To identify and highlight the various innovative pluralistic AEAS approaches that are building actors' resilience and competitiveness To deliberate on the resilience and competitiveness capacity gaps among the different value chain 					
		actors.					
		3. To motivate/stimulate different participating value chain actors and beneficiaries towards greater resilience and competitive actions for food security and commercialization.					
		4. To raise priority AEAS policy and practice recommendations for building actors' resilience and competitiveness.					
		 The sub-themes of the events are: AEAS interventions and support mechanisms for addressing resilience and competitiveness Leveraging on and strengthening public programmes and projects. Viable Business development and support services for farmers and other users of AEAS services. Women and Youth engagement and opportunities in the agricultural value chain as actors and beneficiaries. Digitalized AEAS in Agriculture as a driver for agricultural growth. 					
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Why the Regional Many times, national events are organised and conducted with minimal inputs from the regional levels events? where the work of the "Last Mile" happens. In this case, the last mile is the farmers, who are at the beginning of the agricultural Value chain. In the case if AEAS, it is very important to have the frontline workers or foot soldiers be given a chance to participate and contribute to national level issues at their Therefore, prior to the Uganda National Extension Week in May, regional events have been proposed that will allow more AEAS Actors to contribute to its outputs. These will be held from 10th -21st April 2023 across the country. Purpose and To purpose of the proposed regional events (in form of workshops) is to bring together at least 40 objectives of the participants both public and non-state AEAS actors and stakeholders to debate on critical agricultural proposed regional development issues within their region. The discussions are expected to yield recommendations for workshops addressing the existential gaps in the delivery of extension and advisory Services in Uganda. Note: All the discussions will be guided by the theme and sub-themes of the UGNAEW2023, to ensure that the regional events have tangible inputs into this main event. The objectives of the regional events (workshops) are: To select and discuss a sub theme or two that are most relevant to the critical issues in the region. To highlight current capacity, gaps and needs within the AEAS system and generate recommendations for addressing the gap. To raise priority AEAS policy and practice recommendations for building actors' resilience and competitiveness along the selected sub-themes To mobilize partners towards supporting participants to the national agricultural extension week. Key output of the The main outputs of these events will be: regional events Critical issues related to the sub themes of the National Event 2. Regional capacity gaps and needs within the AEAS system 3. Priority AEAS policy and practice recommendations A list of participants who will attend the national event The approach will involve the UFAAS and other AEAS champions within a particular the region being **Broad Approach** mobilised to form a Regional Sub-Committee of the UGNAEW2023. This committee will be in charge of: Agreeing on the appropriate sub-regions and venues for the regional event • Identifying the partners that implement agriculture within the region. • Lobby/engage the identified partners to support the regional events. Provide contacts to UFAAS for official communication to the partners Identify the facilitators (moderators, chair, rapporteur and presenters of the workshop) With mobilized support, organise the regional workshop, at a selected venue and suitable day within the window of 10th -21st April, 2023, guided by the set objectives and draft Program (see Appendix 1). Compile and submit a regional report to the Events Secretariat at ufaascf@afaas-africa.org Participants of the The regional events are intended to be attended by AEAS stakeholders and actors from the different Physical event sectors, namely the private sector, Academia, NGOs/civil society, farmer organizations, development partners, and media, from within the a particular. **Contributions** The partners are called upon to: Provide funds for all or parts of the budget for the regional workshop. See budget in Appendix 2 Sponsor participants to the National event to be held from 22nd to 26th May 2023 Note: Participation at the national extension week involve: Registration-Ugx. 150,000, own travel and accommodation.

APPENDIX I: DRAFT PROGRAMME FOR THE WORKSHOPSS AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

Time	Activity	Moderator/ Presenter
9.00 am	Arrival	
9.30 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Host DPMO
9.40 am	Introductory Remarks	UFAAS Representative
10.00 am	Overview of the Uganda national extension week	
10.30 am	Keynote Presentations on the selected sub themes specific to	
	region	
11.30 am	Break Tea and Networking	
12.00 pm	Discussion on the observed current capacity, gaps and needs	
	within the AEAS.	
1.00 pm	A dialogue on priority AEAS policy and practice recommendations	
	Closing Remarks and Vote of Thanks	
2.30 pm	Lunch, networking and departure at leisure	

APPENDIX 2: PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE WORKSHOP AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

Regional activities (1 day) 40 participants						
Hall (capacity=40)	1	250,000	250,000	69		
Projector	1	50,000	50,000	14		
Morning Tea	40	10,000	400,000	111		
Lunch	40	40,000	1,600,000	444		
Water	80	2,000	160,000	44		
Evening tea	40	10,000	400,000	111		
Mobilization/ Communication	1	340,000	340,000	94		
Travel	40	50,000	2,000,000	556		
Workshop Materials	40	10,000	400,000	111		
National (Facilitator)	2	300,000	600,000	167		
Regional Moderator	1	300,000	300,000	83		
Presenters	2	150,000	300,000	83		
Rapporteur	1	200,000	200,000	56		
Publicity(adverts, invitations,	1	500,000	500,000			
photography, etc				139		
Total			7,500,000	2,083		

Note: Sponsor of individuals to the National Event in May is =Ugs. 150,000 Registration + Travel+ Accommodation

APPENDIX 3: AGREED REGIONS FOR REGIONAL WORKSHOP

	Agreed Region	Districts	Suitable Venue	Organising Committee members
1.	Acholi	Kitgum, Lamwo, Pader, Agago, Amuru and Nwoya.	Gulu,	Dr. Waiswa David, Ekoot Francis, Deogras Otoo
2.	Lango / North Karamoja	Alebtong, Amolatar, Apac, Dokolo, Kole, Lira, Oyam, Otuke and Kwania Kotido, Kaabong , Abim,.	Lira	Hellen Acham, Isaac Awany, GloliaOjambo,
3.	Teso / South Karamoja	Soroti, Kumi, Ngora, Bukedea, Serere, Kaberamaido, Katakwi and Amuria and Nakapiripirit Moroto, Napak, Amudat Karenga, Nabilatuk	Soroti	Lawlence Emoit, Anne Adeke
4.	Mukono	Mukono, Buikwe, Kayunga, Buvuma	Mukono	Maurice Kyambadde, Wali Christopher, Kalule Barnabas,
5.	Luwero	Luwero, Nakasongola, Nakaseke	Luwero	
6.	Masaka	Kyotera, Rakai, Masaka, Lwengo	Masaka	Mwesigwa Cyras, Abraham Lejoruku,
7.	Kigezi	Kisoro, Kabale, Rubanda, Rukiga, Kanungu, and Rukungiri	Kabale	Porito Abomugisha
8.	Ankole	Buhweju, Bushenyi, Ibanda, Isingiro, Kazo, Kiruhura, Mbarara,	Mbarara	Sara Tusinguire,
9.	West Nile	Adjumani, Arua City, Arua, Koboko, Maracha, Terego, Madi-Okollo, Moyo, Pacwach, Nebi, Zombo	Arua	Gordon Tao (DPMO) Abraham Lejoruku, Adar Sam Tabo
10.	Rwenzori	Bundibugyo, Kasese, Kyenjojo, Kyegegwa and Ntoroko	FORT portal	
11.	Bunyoro	Buliisa. Hoima, Kibaale, Kiryandongo, Masindi, Kiboga	Hoima	Dr. Scola Bwali,
12.	Elgon/ Bukedi	Mbale, Manafwa, Bududa, Sironko, Kapchorwa, Bukwo, Kween, Namisindwa, and Bulambuli, Pallisa, Kibuku, Budaka, Butaleja, Tororo.	Mbale	Patrick Okware (DPMO). Venny Cherop,
13.	Busoga	Jinja, Iganga, Bugiri, Namutumba, Mayuge, Busia	Iganga	Isiko Paul (DPMO)
14.	??	Mubende, Mityana, Mpigi, wakiso		