



Project Highlights

REGIONAL AFRICA

“Regional Emergency Office for Africa’s coordination activities”

Project code: OSRO/RAF/004/USA

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Implementation: 01/06/10 – 31/03/11

Target areas: eastern and central Africa

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Objective: To improve crisis and emergency response preparedness in central and eastern Africa.

Project partners: FSNWG partners, FEWS NET, Government ministries and UN agencies.

Beneficiaries reached: Stakeholders involved in food security and humanitarian response at the subnational, national and regional levels in central and eastern Africa.

Activities implemented:

- Assisted FSNWG in producing monthly updates, maps and presentations on the food security situation in the region.
- Restructured and systematized the collection of information for the FSNWG regional information system.
- Carried out training on contingency planning and DRM for 35 government and FAO staff, as well as ten FAO Emergency Coordinators.
- Provided partners with digital technology for the collection and dissemination of early warning systems information, and held discussions to review its indicators.
- Assisted FAO-Kenya and Ethiopia on developing Plans of Action (PoAs).
- Produced a joint road map to improve coordination and partnership with the WFP.

Results:

- Facilitated the exchange of information and multistakeholder analysis on the food security and nutrition situation in central and eastern Africa.
- Built the capacity of FAO country offices on contingency planning, collecting and disseminating early warning information and the development of PoAs that adopt a DRM approach.
- Assisted in improving coordinated responses with WFP.
- Increased the timeliness and quality of emergency response to disasters, crises and threats.