



GLOBAL AGENDA OF ACTION
IN SUPPORT OF SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK SECTOR DEVELOPMENT



Focus Area 2: Restoring value to grassland

Recap and progress update

FOCUS AREA OBJECTIVES

- Primary objective: to restore both environmental and economic value to grasslands, while preserving their social and cultural functions, globally.



DEFINITION AND SCOPE

- “Grassland”: Cultivated grassland, Rangelands and protected areas
- Grassland as a system approach
- Restoring value: Market and non-market value (Ecol, social,..): Ecosystem Services (MEA)
- How to assess a global value ?



Consult and Network

1. Priority: Collection, collation and sharing of existing data, info & experiences
 - Activities:
 - develop a network, utilize existing networks to their full potential
 - Mailing lists
 - website for knowledge exchange (DAD-IS possible template for grasslands)
 - Stakeholders: LIFLOD, GRSB

2. Communication/Awareness & Raising Advocacy
 - Activity:
 - Investment in public education: common messages
 - Establish tools and strategies
 - Stakeholders
 - Canadian Cattlemen's, FAO, LIFLOD, LIFE network? PENHA, WISP, Solidridad, WWF, IIED? Natural Capital, Savory Institute, SAVES, SANBI, REGLAP SKCRF, Reconcile



3. Education for grassland users

Activities:

- Investment in youth (future extension workers, researchers, producers)
- International Producer tours
- Field schools, researchers, farmer capacity building, include agriculture/grazing education in main school curriculum
- Stakeholders: Canadian Cattlemen's, FAO, LIFLOD, LIFE network? PENHA, WISP, Solidridad, WWF, IIED? Natural Capital, Savory Institue, SAVES, SANBI, REGLAP SKCRF, Reconcile, APSS

4. Improve info on grassland tenure status

- Activity: Make link with Rangeland observatory
- Stakeholder: International Land Collection



Analyze and Inform

1. Analysis of best practice of aligned and integrated policies and market mechanisms

Activity:

- Analysis - BMP/Extension/Policy summary document
- Focus on legislation leveraged for grasslands (ex. Biodiversity acts)
- Hold regional policy workshops

Stakeholders:

- FAO to house the BMP/Extension/Policy summary document
- LIFLOD, UNCCD to support



2. Analysis of best practices for integrated landscape management

Activity: Need to synthesize studies incl. case studies

Stakeholders: TCHOA, LIFLOD, Practitioners (Natural Capital, Savory Institute), WISP, Commission for Env Coop (Cnd, USA, Mexico), Rainfed Lsk network (India), LPFN (landscapes for people food & nature), Pastoralists



3. Develop/adopt accounting mechanisms/indicators to value grasslands

Activity:

- Baseline data collection
- Select/apply methods for valuation of full benefits of grasslands

Stakeholders: ILRI/ICRAF/CGIAR/TC HOA,
SOLIDARIDAD, WCS, LIFLOD, WSPA



Analyze and Inform

4. Develop, evaluate and compare affordable MRV (measurement, reporting and verification) methods

Activity:

- Develop MRV framework for carbon / GHG, biodiversity and water services
- Capacity building
- Engage leading intl organizations e.g. CBD, IPCC

Stakeholders: FAO, ILRI/ICRAF/HOATC



1. Collective rights and its impact on restoring grasslands- Land use planning

Activity:

- Assess examples - identify characteristics of success, lessons learnt – transfer to other regions
- Generate a proof of concept to test in a pilot
- Stakeholders: LIFE, ILRI, LIFLOD



2. Water access to facilitate mobility (and intensification where appropriate)

Activity:

- Discuss/reach consensus among all users, not just pastoralists (esp. arable farmers).
- Explore issue of water rights and access regime for riparian areas.
- Development plan - water points & rotational management of grazing pressure.
- Stakeholders: APSS, RBM



3. PPP for risk management and development of resilient communities

Activity:

- Propose risk sharing insurance model for livestock - inclusive of early warning system for drought
- Stakeholders: SARD, ILRI, Canadian Cattlemen's Assoc., Agricultural GIS (S Af.), SIPSA (West Africa), FEWS (E Afr.), Brazil MoA/EMBRAPA



4. Coordination international grassland -livestock NAMA (Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions)

Activity:

- Facilitate multiple NAMA country coalition to create access to and full capture of value from grasslands based climate finance
- Stakeholders: FAO, Brazilian Gov, Australia (CFI)



5. PPP in extension and other service delivery – Brazil

Activity:

- Facilitate the funding structure to allow initial implementation of grassland management
- Stakeholders: GRSB (GTPS)



Progress so far

CONSULT AND NETWORK

- links established between some relevant networks (LIFLOD and GRSB) and the Agenda.

ANALYZE AND INFORM

- Century assessment of global grassland C sequestration potential being finalized.
- Carbon accounting methodology for grasslands (led by FAO) to be validated in mid 2013

GUIDE AND PILOT

- Several relevant pilots ongoing among Agenda partners
- Next STEPSCoordination of Stakeholders, Prioritise, Timetable



THANK YOU

