

## ABOUT US

The last years have seen a rapid expansion of the FS approach (Farmer field schools, Pastoralist Field Schools and other adaptations) in Eastern Africa Sub region .

The FS approach provides a platform at community level for putting in practice client-driven and participatory advisory services linking technology innovation with indigenous knowledge to enhance food security of vulnerable.

The Eastern African Field School Hub is currently hosted by the African Forum For Agricultural Advisory Services (AFAAS). The hub enables Field School (FS) actors to have access to quality information on FS and actively engage in peer networking and knowledge sharing, enhanced levels of institutionalisation in policy and practice of the FS approach in the region.



## VISION

Farmers and agro - pastoralists transforming their livelihoods

## MISSION

A leading centre of excellence for Field school implementation and quality control

## OUR MANDATE

- Institutionalization of the Field School methodology,
- Incubation of Field schools good practices,
- Policy dialogue and Advocacy,
- Quality control of the field schools learning processes
- Accreditation and validation of trainers,
- Partnerships and Collaborations,
- Monitoring and Evaluation learning for Field Schools in the region,
- Support of investment programs



## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

1 Strengthen FS knowledge management and exchange.

- Establish and strengthen national focal points.
- Effectively manage a functional global, sub-regional FS web platform.
- Support FS-hub knowledge management, sharing and learning.

2 Develop client-oriented FS technical support systems

- Develop a business model for FS capacity building initiatives.
- Support local adaptation, roll out and capacity building of key FS generic materials.
- Support countries to achieve accreditation of FS expertise.
- Develop FS Monitoring and evaluation system.

3 To Strengthen and promote institutional partnerships, alliances and linkages

- Stakeholder identification and mapping.
- Develop a partnership framework for FS integration in the region.
- Establish and strengthen cross sectoral platforms for FS partners' engagement.
- The FS Hub will facilitate the establishment and strengthening of cross sectoral platforms aimed at enhancing local dialogue in each country.
- Main streaming of FS in university and middle level college curricular.
- Promote FS Hub membership and affiliations to other organizations.

4 Contribute and promote policy engagement and advocacy among actors

- Develop and implement a regional FS policy and advocacy strategy.
- Conduct advocacy for the need for specific priority areas and Hub policy influence.
- Evidence based policy analysis and briefs developed.
- Promote Strategic engagement with governments and regional bodies.