



PEACE, PROSPERITY AND
REGIONAL INTEGRATION

LESSONS LEARNED THROUGH GHACOFS

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FORMULATION OF CONSENSUS FORECAST

- Co-designing and co-production with key users is critical
- Continuity of personnel involved in co-production is very important: Most progress was made where this was achieved
- Face-to-face meetings are essential. For example, running Skype sessions for the Climate Service Development Team (STD) meetings did not work as well as face-to-face.
- “Training through doing” in which each SDT analysed new GPC outputs every month and shared on Huddle was effective – reinforcing the learning from workshops
- Not all processing for tailored climate service products can be done using bespoke software packages and strengthening of computer programming skills is needed

ORGANIZATION OF GHACOF

More presentations & less discussions: Improve RCOF facilitation methodology to to remove too technical presentations and include more discussions

Harmonization of MS feedback: Improve the agenda creation and **presentation submission deadlines** for users to collect and bring evidence of the impacts of the previous season's forecast in their respective sectors

Poor feedback mechanism: Institutionalize **GHACOF feedback mechanism** as part of RCOF process

User engagement: Create sector specific **training sessions** on the generation and interpretation of the products presented during RCOF

Venue selection: Improve requirements and methodology for identifying and selecting **RCOF venue**

USER OUTREACH / FORECAST UPTAKE / FEEDBACK

- Strengthen capacity of regional users in co-production of climate services
 - Main users are:
 - Eleven NMHSs in the GHA
 - IGAD Secretariat and Policy Makers,
 - Application sectors such as DRM, Energy, Health, agriculture, water institutions
 - Regional Platforms such as IDDRSI, NECJOGHA,, FSNWG, RAU, IPC
 - Strengthen sector based user interface platforms to enhance accessibility of climate services to the last mile in the knowledge value chain
- Strengthen ENACTS = **Enhancing National Climate Service** to simultaneously improve availability, access and use of climate information.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!