The Impact of HIV and AIDS on Agriculture and Food Security in the SADC Region

From Research to Action
Methodology:

• To revisit the Policy recommendations

• To identify research areas that can add value
Recommendations:

- To monitor the situation in regular basis
- To put in place an AIDS warning system
- To come up with appropriate agricultural technologies
- To build up capacity for the community
Recommendations:

• To develop a transmission system of information, including:
  – the dissemination of information available to farmers
  – strengthening the awareness in the rural area
  – being creative
Recommendations:

• To develop support services
• To improve the targeting through quantified vulnerability data
• To identify and to develop
  – a tool for targeting
  – different programs for different levels of family vulnerability
Recommendations:

• For avoiding free food service abuse
  – To involve the community in targeting
  – To involve the community in
    • care services
    • implementing the programs
    • monitoring the program
  – To develop different packages for different vulnerability levels
Recommendations:

• To pick up the equity issues as real and critical issues
• To consider the drivers of HIV
• To recommend off-farm income generating activities
• To match the assistance with the vulnerability problem
Recommendations:

• To make farming attractive
• To complement farm income generation
• To undertake further studies on rural areas
• To address and quantify the impact on the extension workers & teachers
• To build capacity for women extensionists targeting women farmers
• To strengthen the farmer to farmer sharing experiences
Thank you for listening