

AFRICAN REGIONAL PARTNERS E-WORKSHOP
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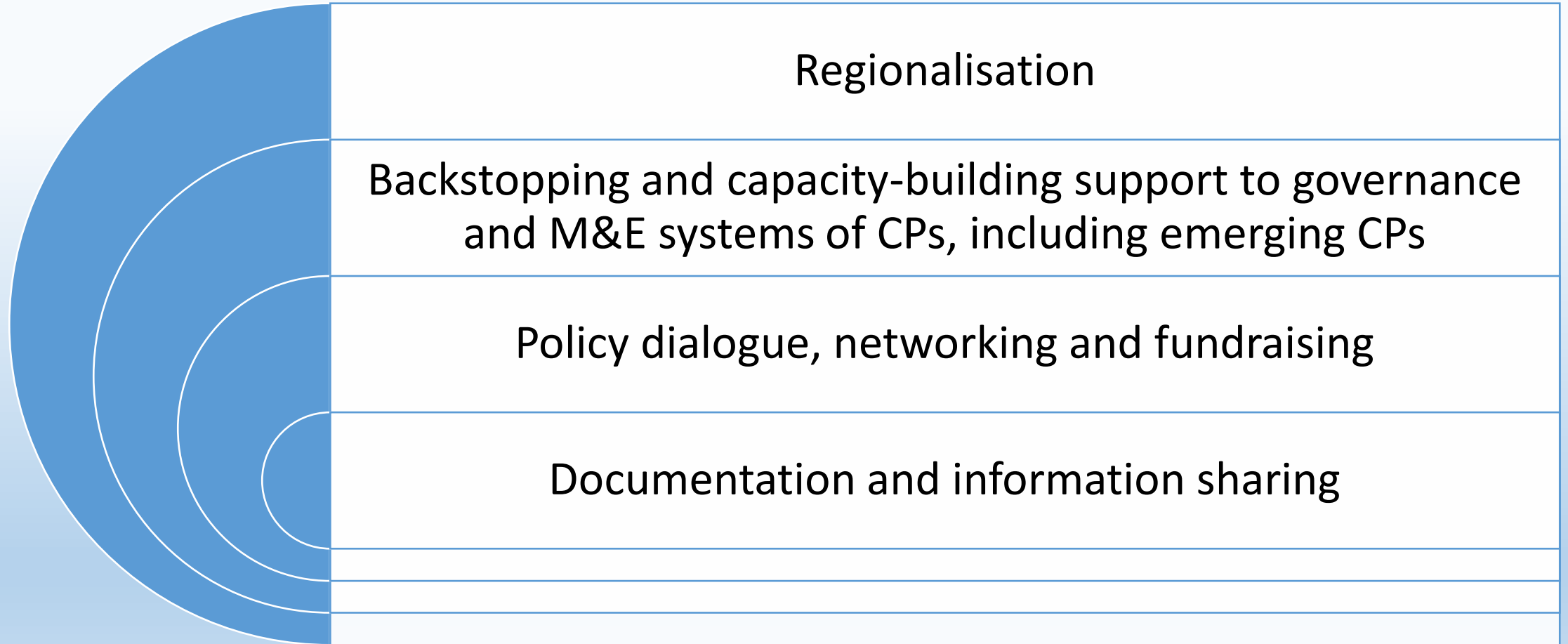
ACTIVITY REPORT FOR YEAR 2019/2020

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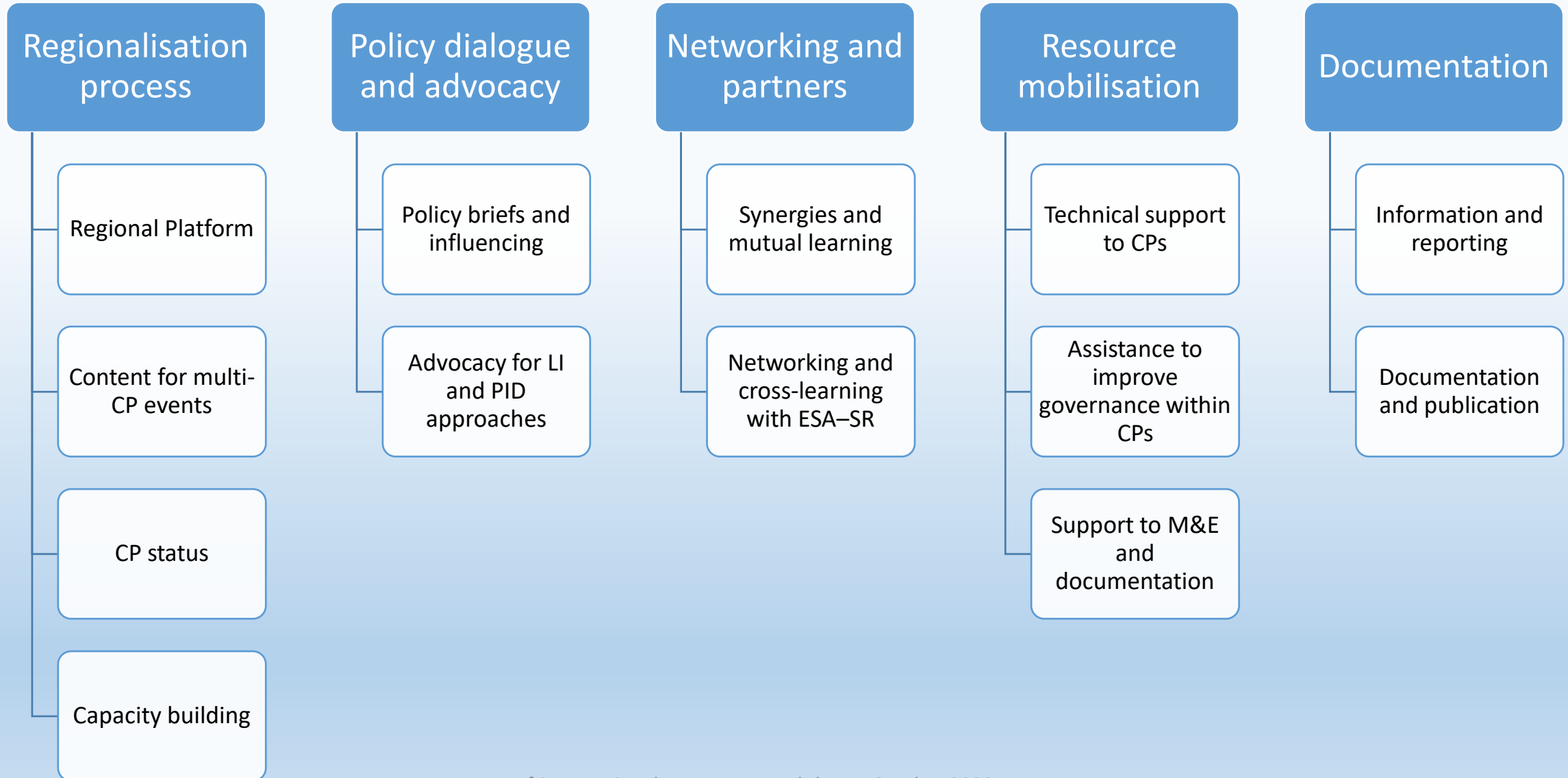
OUTLINE



KEY AREAS OF DELIVERY



PLANNED ACTIVITIES



ACHIEVEMENTS

REGIONALISATION:
Coordination and governance bodies of the two sub-regional platforms and the African network set up and functioning well

- 6 active CPs and 5 members in taskforce for regionalisation
- 3 CPs (Mozambique, Zimbabwe & South Africa) in the process being revitalised
- Draft charter further refined, final draft circulated to the taskforce & inputs received from 3 CPs (Kenya, Uganda, Mozambique)
- Contributed content to cross-border fundraising initiatives to two CPs

ACHIEVEMENTS CONT'D

BACKSTOPPING & CAPACITY- BUILDING OF CPS (governance & M&E systems)

- Lost the Coordinator for Ethiopia – before then attempts to improve the participation of PE in Proli-FaNS project
- Development & implementation of Nuffic TMT programme in Mozambique (2 local consultants engaged)
- Followed up interest from Zimbabwe to establish a CP
- Supported PK to develop and present case study at the Horn of Africa & Sahel Knowledge Share Fair
- CP mapping exercise with PK, PU, PE, PM, PSA & PZ (governance & revitalisation)
- Support to Nuffic-funded TMT for CP Moz & SULCI-FaNs for CP Kenya

ACHIEVEMENTS CONT'D

POLICY
DIALOGUE,
NETWORKING
AND
FUNDRAISING:
Networking,
fundraising and
policy dialogue
has been
improved at SR
and regional
level

Support to PK to draft own policy-dialogue strategy on institutionalisation of PID in Kenya

Contacted a former Prolinnova–NC now with University of Zambia

Possibility of linking ESA–SR with regional fora (FARA)

Participation in workshops e.g. SULCI-FaNS inception workshop, SKI Agro-ecology Workshop

Inputs to Three-Year Strategic Plan (2019–22) for SARFAAS

Initiated possible partnership with Natural Livestock Farming

Three proposals and two concept notes developed and submitted; one proposal succeeded (Mozambique), one still waiting (Kenya/Uganda)

Contributed to IST-level networking and planning meetings

ACHIEVEMENTS CONT.

DOCUMENTATION
AND INFORMATION
SHARING: Roles
clearly defined &
mechanisms to allow
bottom-up exchanges
and areas for
synergies defined

- Commented on some discussions on Prolinnova Google group and attended several webinars
- Compiling and contributing to various documents including Local innovation policy note, ESA Prolinnova Platform Charter etc.
- General communication with the ESA - SR task team members and the CP coordinators (funding opportunities, annual reports, Charter, Policy briefs ect.

CHALLENGES / ISSUES

COVID-19 and related restrictions

Cross-border learning, experience sharing and networking

Fundraising at CP and regional levels

Funding opportunities that match Prolinnova principles

Lack of host organisations to support CPs (Mozambique)

Governance issue at CP level

Non-responsiveness/inactivity of some CPs/SR taskforce

FUTURE ACTIONS

REGIONALISATION

- Conclude SR Charter and have it approved/ signed by the different parties
- Set up the SR bodies
- Virtual meetings until lifting of COVID restrictions

POLICY DIALOGUE AND ADVOCACY

- Development of policy dialogue/advocacy strategies and plans with CPs

NETWORKING AND PARTNERS

- Establish strategic partnerships for resource mobilisation & policy influencing (CP, SR, R, International)
- Reinforce cross-learning within and across CPs

FUTURE ACTIONS CONT.

RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

- Develop CP & SR fundraising and networking strategy
- Monitor and respond to funding opportunities
- Multi-CP/Cross-border resource mobilisation (Kenya–Uganda, Ethiopia–Sudan–South Sudan, SA–Moz–Zim)

BACKSTOPPING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

- Strengthen CP capacities in networking and resource mobilisation
- Strengthen governance – NSCs
- Support new and emerging CPs (Zimbabwe, Zambia etc)
- Revitalise weak/dormant CPs (Ethiopia, South Africa)

COMMUNICATION

- Develop communication strategy to support policy influencing and advocacy

Thank you!
Merci!
Obrigado!