



## PRESS RELEASE

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### **TCC CONTRACTED BY FANRPAN TO TRAIN CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE LEADERS IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION**

Training Centre in Communication (TCC), has been contracted for the second time by Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Policy Analysis Network (FANRPAN), to train Climate Change and Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) Champions (Leaders) from South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Swaziland, Malawi, Mozambique, Kenya and Madagascar. Of the 25 participants, 20 had been trained by TCC in 2014 on how to produce Science Communication Outputs on Climate Smart Agriculture activities done in Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Lesotho, Mozambique and Zambia.

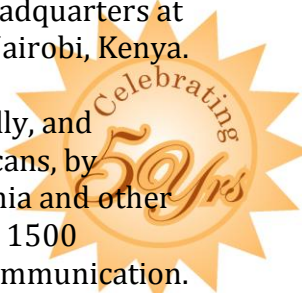
The practical training focused on three technical reviews from Southern Africa, on *Research and Policies for Climate Change Adaptation in Urban Area*, *Research and Policies for Climate Change Adaptation in the Health Sector* and *Research and Policies for Climate Change Adaptation in the Agriculture Sector*.

This project was made possible by the support of The International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA), Africa Interact and Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA).

#### **About TCC**

TCC is a not-for-profit organization set up in 2006 and is in partnership with the University of Nairobi and is the first African-based Training Centre to teach effective communication skills to scientists in Africa. TCC has its headquarters at the University of Nairobi, Gecaga Institute, Chiromo Campus, and Nairobi, Kenya.

The centre's mission is to contribute to the increase in profile, locally, and internationally, of African science, and its impact on the life of Africans, by improving skills in technical communication in all forms, at academia and other relevant forums, in African countries. To date TCC has trained over 1500 research scientists in Sub Sahara Africa in Scientific and Science Communication.





TCC has also partnered with Kenyatta University, Kenya, in training scientists in communication and publishing. TCC has opened a satellite office in Nigeria in partnership with Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria (OAU), through the

Directorate of Linkages and Sponsored Research. The new office trains research scientists and postgraduate students from the Western Africa sub Saharan region. TCC has also opened an office in South Africa in partnership with The Innovation Hub.

### **About FANRPAN**

The Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Policy Analysis Network (FANRPAN) is a multi-stakeholder, multi-national policy network that supports the development and implementation of better food, agriculture and national resources (FANR) policies in Africa. Its members include universities, research institutes, the business sector, farmer groups and other civil society organisations that have a stake in FANR policies. FANRPAN's membership is organised into national nodes in sixteen countries, with a national secretariat hosted by an existing national institution that has a mandate for agricultural policy research and advocacy. FANRPAN also has a mandate to work Africa wide.

FANRPAN's mandate is build the region's capacity for policy analyses and policy dialogue, and to improve policy decision-making by enhancing the generation, exchange and use of relevant information.

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