

Country	South Sudan
Project	Farmer Field Schools as an Approach for Enhancing Sustainable Agriculture – An Assessment in South Sudan Greenbelt Region
Commissioned by	GIZ DETA
Background	South Sudan is still stuck in a post-war situation struggling with its inner conflicts and outer opponents. 51% of its 8,3 million inhabitants live below the poverty line. According to UNOCHA, from 2010 to 2012 around 400.000 returnees arrived in South Sudan. Increased population displacement is deepening already existing food insecurity. Prospects for 2012 predict nearly 3 million people in South Sudan to be severely or moderately food insecure. The GIZ-DETA project is a Linking Relief Rehabilitation and Development (LRRD) project operating since 2008 in the region. The project consists of four major components which build on each other and are focusing on institution building, agricultural production, infrastructure rehabilitation, and peace-building. The study focuses on component 2 of the project which is focusing on the increase of agricultural production of local farmers based on sustainable agriculture principles, in order to enhance food security and safeguard livelihoods. The approach chosen for agricultural extension is the Farmer Field School (FFS) approach. The next steps of the GIZ-DETA project are the improvement of the FFS approach in the region of Morobo and the extension of the FFS approach to two other regions in the south of South Sudan, namely Magwi and Yambio.
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GIZ-DETA and partners use the results to improve the implementation of the FFS approach in a needs-based way • GIZ-DETA and partners use the results for planning their measures in Yambio and Magwi county • GIZ-DETA and relevant partners use the results for their strategic planning
Expected Outcomes/ Outputs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A situation analysis is available for Morobo, Magwi and Yambio county, consisting of a reduced and adjusted Livelihood-, Farming System- and Stakeholder Analysis • An analysis and assessment of FFS in Morobo county is available • Recommendations for improvements of the existing FFS approach in Morobo are available • An analysis and assessment of the transferability of FFS to Yambio and Magwi county is available • Recommendations for the transfer-ability of the FFS approach to Yambio and Magwi County are available • Conclusions for GIZ's strategy development for the Greenbelt Program on the basis of the other outputs are available and jointly reflected with relevant stakeholders
Partners	GIZ-FSAD Program, World Food Program (WFP), the South Sudanese Ministry of Agriculture, Agri and Co-operative Training and Consultancy Services Ltd (ATC), EFEAA
Team Competences	Livelihood – and Farming systems, Sustainable Agriculture, Agricultural extension approaches (Farmer Field Schools), Fragile States, LRRD, participatory methods, baseline research
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