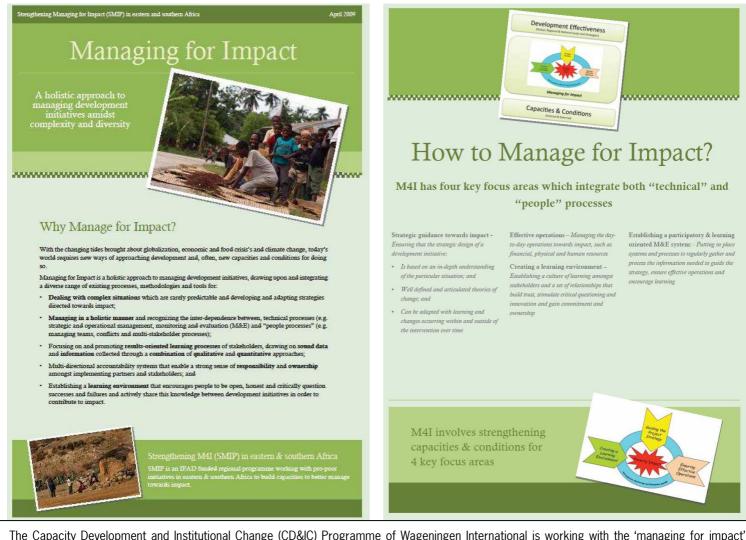


Managing 4 Impact

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The Capacity Development and Institutional Change (CD&IC) Programme of Wageningen International is working with the 'managing for impact' approach, which entails linking learning, monitoring and evaluation to strategic and operational planning and management. Managing for impact (M4I) is a holistic approach to managing development initiatives. This approach builds on what is described in the IFAD manual 'Managing for Impact in Rural Development. A Guide to Project M&E', to which CD&IC has largely contributed. The approach has been further developed a.o. during a 3-year, IFAD funded programme in East and Southern Africa to strengthen the capacity in the region on the managing for impact. In 2008 this approach has been further strengthened and also documented during the 2008 KB7 project Reflective Practice for Impact. Lessons learned from the regional programme have been documented (e.g. during a writeshop in Nairobi), lessons have been shared with other WUR-partners (KB7 projects WURK-project and RIO project) and boundaries have been enlarged through an international workshop/seminar on navigating complexity. Also lessons learned from a seminar on 'capacity development, institutional change and theory of change' organised by Wageningen International have been consolidated. These processes have not yet reached their end. Further consolidation and deepening of thinking processes is necessary to come to good products. The M4I approach needs to be properly documented for publication with a wider audience.