Knowledge Management Capacity for African Research Institutes and Networks: East Africa Workshop Kampala Uganda, June 5th – 7th 2006

As a follow-up to the "Knowledge Sharing for Development: Africa Regional Program Workshop" that was held in Cairo in February 2005, the Global Development Network (GDN) will be organizing a series of sub-regional workshops across Sub-Saharan Africa. These workshops are aimed at strengthening the operations of African research institutes and networks by exposing them to knowledge management concepts, tools and approaches, and helping them to develop Action Plans to enhance their organizational capacity.

Based on the lessons of the East Africa workshop, similar workshops will be held in Western and Southern Africa in late 2006 and early 2007. These sub-regional workshops will also form the basis of a broader program to strengthen African research institutes and networks through the use of knowledge management approaches. This program is being developed in collaboration with the World Bank Institute, African Capacity Building Foundation, and a range of national partner institutions.

Read more about the Cairo Workshop (http://www.gdnet.org/middle.php?oid=619)

Call for Participants

Representatives of government, nonprofit, private and university-based African research institutes and networks are invited to apply for participation in the **East Africa Workshop**.

The agenda for this 3-day workshop will include:

- What is Knowledge Management and how can it help research institutes and networks?
- ♦ Putting People First: Leveraging Staff Knowledge and Networks
- ♦ Sharing Tacit Knowledge: Tools and Approaches
- ♦ Sharing Explicit Knowledge: Tools and Approaches
- ♦ Strategies for Implementing KM in Your Organization

The expected outcomes of the workshop are on two levels: individual and organizational. First, participants will expand their own professional skills by learning about the relatively new, and ever expanding, field of knowledge management. Second, participating organizations will benefit from a customized KM Action Plan prepared by its representative.

Eligibility criteria

Applicants should be representatives of government, nonprofit, private and university-based African social science research institutes and networks that are in a position to implement KM Action Plans in their organizations. These representatives may be part of the management team, or professional staff involved in areas such as

research management, project management, human resources, training, informational technology, and communications.

Applicants must be resident in one of the following East African countries: Burundi, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda.

Selected applicants may qualify for grants to cover travel and other expenses.

Application procedure

The application must be completed and sent by email to: **dhalaby@gdnet.org**Deadline for submissions: April 30th, 2006.

For any further queries please contact Dina El Halaby **dhalaby@gdnet.org**Please note that unsuitable applications will not be acknowledged.