



## Information sharing and communication tools October 2012

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Africa RISING communication and knowledge sharing activities and tools help us to:

- inform, engage with and influence wide audiences
- translate outputs into outcomes, getting knowledge into use
- improve our effectiveness by enriching learning, interaction and exchange
- capture, publish and disseminate our products and outputs
- improve internal communication, by linking and connecting teams

Each project has its own capacities and support for these activities; a team at the program level provides cross-project support and resource, including event and process design and facilitation. Below is a list of the main tools we use. See this information online at: [http://africa-rising.wikispaces.com/comms\\_tools](http://africa-rising.wikispaces.com/comms_tools)

Tool	Description	Who contributes	Who can see
<b>Wiki:</b> <a href="http://africa-rising.wikispaces.com/">http://africa-rising.wikispaces.com/</a>	Collaboration space to support planning, sharing early documents, reporting and organizing events.	Edit access for project staff and partners.	Public
<b>Calendar:</b> <a href="http://goo.gl/2m56L">http://goo.gl/2m56L</a> and <a href="http://africa-rising.wikispaces.com/Calendar">http://africa-rising.wikispaces.com/Calendar</a>	Where you can see upcoming events.	Comms focal people add and edit events; Project staff members send information in advance.	Public
<b>CGSpace:</b> <a href="http://cgspace.cgiar.org/handle/10568/16498">http://cgspace.cgiar.org/handle/10568/16498</a>	Repository of documents and other final products.	Comms focal points add and publish. Project coordinators ensure products sent to the focal people.	Public
<b>Web site:</b> <a href="http://www.africa-rising.net">http://www.africa-rising.net</a>	Where to share news, updates and announcements.	Comms focal points publish. Project coordinators ensure updates are sent to the focal people.	Public



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<b>Slideshare:</b> <a href="http://www.slideshare.net/africa-rising">http://www.slideshare.net/africa-rising</a>	Where to share presentations and posters.	Comms focal points add and publish. Project coordinators ensure products are sent to the focal people.	Public
<b>YouTube:</b> Coming soon	Where to share video interviews and success stories.	Comms focal people.	Public
<b>Flickr:</b> <a href="http://www.flickr.com/photos/africa-rising">http://www.flickr.com/photos/africa-rising</a>	Where to share – and find – photos and images.	Comms focal points add and publish. Project coordinators ensure products sent to comms focal people.	Public
<b>Email alerts:</b> <a href="#">Sign up for news alerts by email</a> <a href="#">Sign up for publications alerts by email</a>	Subscribe to email alerts when updates and reports are published.	All project staff and partners are strongly encouraged to subscribe.	Public
<b>Yammer:</b> Coming soon	Private web and email communication and exchange space for participants to share updates and plans.	All project staff and partners.	Restricted
<b>Comms Focal People:</b>	West Africa – Katherine Lopez (IITA) East Africa – Catherine Njuguna (IITA) Southern Africa – Jeffrey Oliver (IITA) Ethiopia : Tsehay Gashaw (ILRI) Overall: Peter Ballantyne and Ewen Le Borgne (ILRI).		



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