

## How you can get involved:

- Become educated on the importance of capacity building to human and institutional development.
- Learn about the United States' Feed the Future program aimed at improving food security and alleviating poverty by visiting [www.feedthefuture.gov](http://www.feedthefuture.gov)
- Contact IPM-IL project director to discuss opportunities to provide consultation and technical assistance.

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# Improving Food Security in East Africa Through the East African Vegetable Crop Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Innovation Lab (EAVCIPM-IL)



## Purpose

The Ohio State-led East African Vegetable Crop IPM Innovation Lab aims to develop, implement, and scale-up IPM technologies for selected vegetable crops in Feed the Future (FtF) priority areas in Tanzania, Ethiopia and Kenya. The overall goal of this USAID-funded project is to build the capacity of host country institutions to implement effective IPM research and locally-adapted, gender-appropriate technology transfer programs that increase environmental benefits, farm productivity, and incomes, and inform national and regional policy.

## Impact

The EAVCIPM-IL will build the capacity of local host country institutions and communities to implement IPM research and technology transfer programs using participatory agricultural research practices and on-farm research.

The EAVCIPM-IL will develop and disseminate improved IPM technologies to local farmers that reduce crop losses due to pests, reduce pesticide use, and enhance agricultural productivity and farmer income.

The EAVCIPM-IL will develop policy recommendations that will enhance the capacity of host country institutions to develop and implement effective IPM research and locally-adapted, gender-appropriate, IPM technology transfer programs.

## Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences:  
Office of International Programs in Agriculture  
Department of Horticulture and Crop Science  
Department of Plant Pathology  
Department of Entomology  
School of Environment and Natural Resources  
Ohio State Extension

## Community Partners Involved

United States:  
Primary:  
U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)  
Virginia Tech University  
University of California, Davis

Secondary:  
Sustainable Intensification Innovation Lab at Kansas State University

International  
Primary:  
Sokoine University of Agriculture - Tanzania  
University of Hawassa – Ethiopia  
Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) – Kenya  
Mikocheni Agriculture Research Institute – Tanzania  
International Institute for Tropical Agriculture (IITA) – Tanzania

Secondary:  
Real IPM Company –Kenya  
Seeds of Expertise for the Vegetable Sector of Africa (SEVIA) - Tanzania



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