

FDMS Erratum Notice No. 1

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The defect

Section 3 of the Farm Decision Modelling Standard v1.2 states that the edition is grounded in a structured evidence review of fifteen institutional and peer-reviewed sources across seven literature streams, and then enumerates the streams in a way that reads as eight categories: climate-smart appraisal is listed as a stream of its own, separate from agricultural investment appraisal, and the coding label multi-criteria farm design does not appear at all. A reader counting the enumeration against the stated total will find them inconsistent. An external reader did, during preparation of a conference abstract, and the comment is logged as change item E-1.

The ground truth

The coding record behind the standard (Evidence_Register.xlsx, Component Map) has seven coding columns. Climate-smart appraisal was coded within the agricultural investment appraisal stream, and multi-criteria farm design was coded within the farm-systems and bio-economic modelling stream. The stated count of seven is correct; the enumeration is defective. No source, no coding decision and no conformance requirement is affected: the defect is in the prose description of the evidence base, not in the evidence base.

The corrected sentence

This edition is grounded in a structured evidence review of fifteen institutional and peer-reviewed sources across seven streams: farm management practice (FAO 1997; FAO 2007), enterprise and partial budgeting (FAO/ILCA 1992), agricultural investment appraisal including climate-smart appraisal (IFAD 2015; FAO Investment Centre 2023; World Bank 2019; FAO 2021), farm-systems and bio-economic modelling including multi-criteria farm design (JRC FSSIM-Dev 2019; JRC IFM-CAP 2022; Wageningen 2021, 2022), productivity measurement (OECD 2022), smallholder implementation (World Bank / IFC 2016), and analytical quality assurance (AQuA Book 2025; V&V companion 2015).

Disposition

The adopted edition is frozen under the standard's change-control rule, so the text of FDMS v1.2 is not amended by this notice. The correction is scheduled for edition v1.3, which enters force on 1 February 2027 at the close of the current amendment cycle. Until then, this notice is the authoritative reading of the section 3 grounding statement, and anyone citing the evidence base of the standard should cite the corrected enumeration above. The change is recorded as E-1 in the FDMS Change Register v1.2, with source class (1), reviewer or public comment.

Affected documents. FDMS v1.2 Standard, section 3: corrected by this notice, text amendment in v1.3. Augere Working Paper 2026-01 v1.2: restates the count of seven without the defective enumeration and is unaffected. The Foundations working draft (unpublished) carried the same defective enumeration and has been corrected directly.

Nothing else changes. The register of sixteen elements, three conformance classes, twenty-nine triggers and two claims stands. The Signed Calibration Register v1.0 is unaffected.

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