

Climate Services create connections

The International Research Institute for Climate and Society helps decision makers around the world manage risk by helping to develop and implement climate services. From large organizations to independent business owners, climate services reduce uncertainty in agriculture, disaster preparedness, health, water resources and other sectors.

Struggling in isolation

When it comes to reducing climate risks, key stakeholders often don't know how to make quality decisions because they're operationally disconnected from each other. Let's take an example from agriculture:

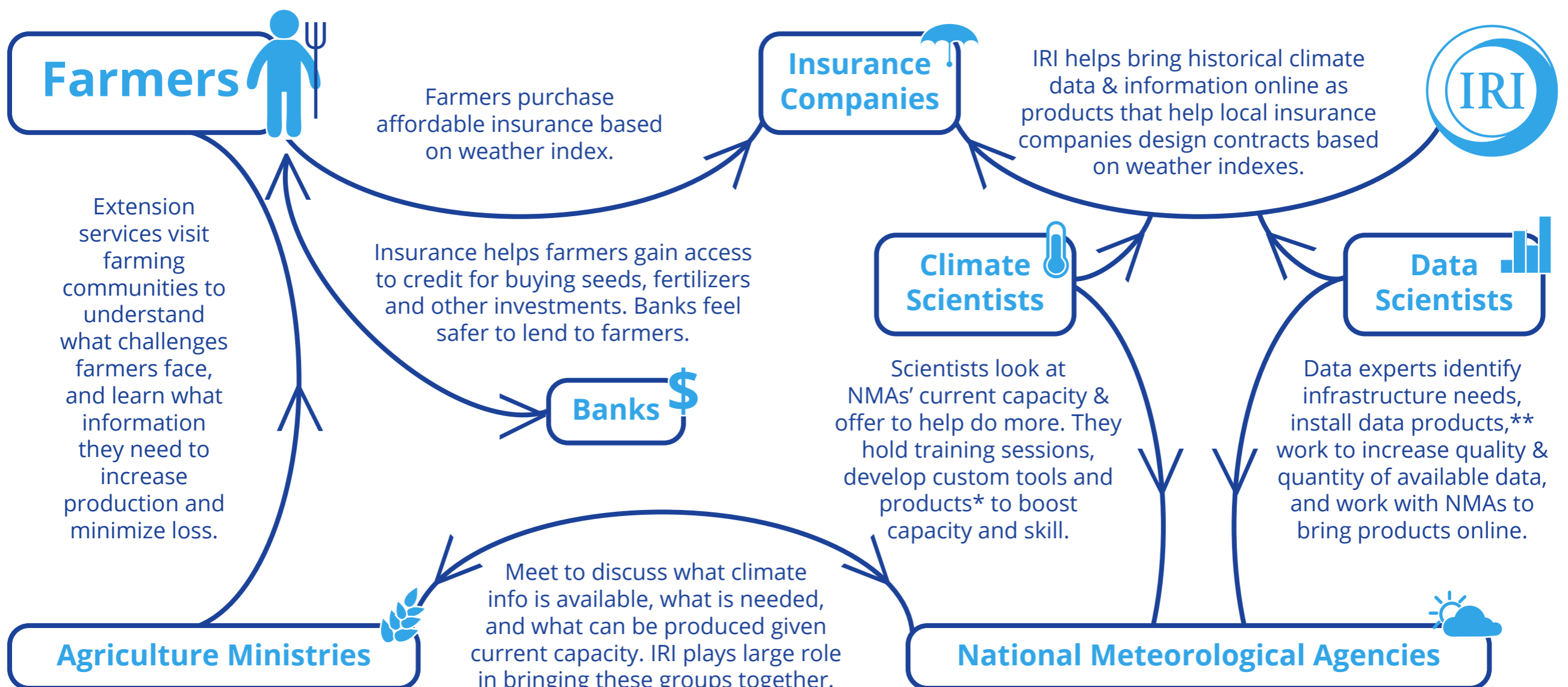
Do I take out a loan or not? Do I buy better seeds and fertilizer? Is the rainy season delayed this year?

Farmers	CLIMATE SERVICES:					
	Information & Research		Data & Tech	Banks	Insurance Companies	Agriculture Ministries
Want to make the best decisions...	Climate Scientists	Weather Agencies*	Data Scientists	Banks	Insurance Companies	Agriculture Ministries
... but want reliable and credible information	Develop new methods for better predicting dry spells & rainy seasons...	Produce forecasts...	Develop historical records, custom tools & maps...	Want to give loans to farmers...	Want to offer affordable climate insurance...	Want to climate-proof their sector and avoid loss of production...
	... but need to interact with the right partners to bring the knowledge into decision making	... but may not know what farmers need and find most useful	... but their information doesn't reach those who need it most	... but are worried about repayment	... but need help to assess climate risks	... but need reliable climate info & products to inform its policies

* National Meteorological Agencies

Connections unlock potential

Organizations such as IRI act as a catalyst for various stakeholders, helping them find ways to work together so they all benefit. Sharing feedback is critical because it makes the interactions get better and more useful over time, as everyone learns from each other.



* Such as IRI's Climate Predictability Tool

** Such as IRI Data Library