

# CGIAR Collaborative Platform for Gender Research

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## Platform mandate

- Housed in CGIAR Research Program on Policies, Institutions and Markets (PIM)
- Coordinated by KIT Royal Tropical Institute (Amsterdam)
- Serves all 12 CGIAR Research Programs and 15 Centers
- Builds on phase 1 Gender Network but with a stronger focus on **gender research**

### Main objectives

- Increase **visibility, profile** and **appreciation** of gender research *within* CGIAR and internationally
- Build up the **quality** of CGIAR gender research, e.g. by supporting knowledge-sharing to promote joint approaches and methods, capacity development and fostering adherence to minimum standards for sex-disaggregated data collection and analysis
- Assess and support cross-CGIAR **gender research priorities** and identify **gaps**
- Foster and catalyze **strategic partnerships**

### Who

- CRP Gender Research Coordinators (GRCs) and gender representatives from each Center
- Scientists doing gender research across CGIAR (including biophysical and social scientists)
- Website, webinars and e-newsletters to reach a broad international audience interested in gender and agriculture/NRM

# Communication and knowledge management

- Monthly **webinars** on current gender research
- **Quarterly e-newsletters** to members (550+)
- **Campaigns** to profile CGIAR gender research
  - *International Women's Day March 8*
  - *International day of Rural Women October 15*
- **Social media** on gender and agriculture research **#genderinag**, and CGIAR Gender Platform twitter **@CGIARgender**
- Support to young CGIAR gender researchers through the post-doc fellowships, mentoring and **Gender Research Integrated Training program (GRIT)** and regular call-ins
- Gender platform **website** **gender.cgiar.org**
  - Engendering Data and Methods Blog
  - Aggregate and feature news on gender from across CGIAR
  - Archives of webinars
  - Profiles of Gender Research Coordinators /Advisory Committee
  - Spaces for specific themes/working groups on gender (e.g. gender/breeding, GENNOVATE, post-docs)

gender.cgiar.org



The image shows a screenshot of the CGIAR Collaborative Platform for Gender Research website. The top navigation bar includes links for HOME, ABOUT US, THEMES, RESOURCES, NEWS, and EVENTS. The main content area features a webinar announcement titled "Webinar: Gender mainstreaming in the Participatory Market Chain Approach (PMCA)" dated September 27, 2017. A presenter photo of Anelí Devaux is shown. Below the webinar announcement is a photo of a group of women in colorful headscarves working in a field. To the right is a portrait of Anelí Devaux, Regional Director of the International Potato Center (CIP). Below the website screenshot is the cover of the "Collaborative Platform for Gender Research NEWSLETTER ISSUE #2, JULY 2017". The cover features a photo of a woman in a blue and white checkered shirt crouching by a body of water, holding a basket.

## Message from the Coordinator

Dear CGIAR colleagues and friends <<Last Name>>,

Welcome to the June newsletter of the CGIAR Collaborative Platform for Gender Research!

This newsletter features **highlights** of gender research across CGIAR, links to **selected publications**, reports on the three **webinars** organized by the Platform this quarter, and provides information as to **special announcements and upcoming events**. In this month's **'The Pulse'** section, we hear from Hazel Malapit (IFPRI), the Gender Research Coordinator for Agriculture for Nutrition and Health (A4NH) reflecting on how a cross-CGIAR gender research priority – gender relations vis a vis technological and institutional innovation – is addressed in A4NH.

## CGIAR-wide Gender Research Agenda

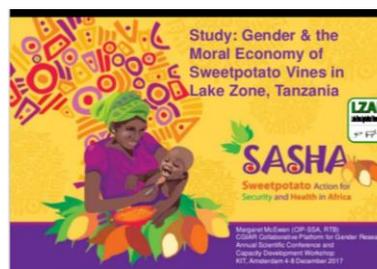
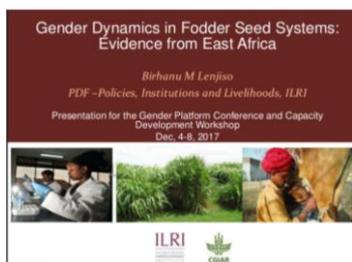
- Annual call for cross-CGIAR gender research proposals
  - 2017 **Gender dynamics in seed systems**
  - 2018 To be decided
- Annual scientific conferences
  - December 4-8 2017 KIT Royal Tropical Institute in Amsterdam
  - **September 25-28 2018 International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) Campus, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**
  - 2019 Jointly organized with ACIAR and Canberra University, to be held in Canberra, Australia

## Vis-a-vis NL-CGIAR Partnership priorities

- **Advancing gender equality and improve the position of women and girls** is a cross-cutting priority issue and a key objective for the Dutch government
- CGIAR gender research contributes to this and the Platform supports and promotes that research
- Platform works with all CRPs and Centers, including on gender dimensions of the Dutch priority themes:
  - climate smart agriculture
  - agriculture for nutrition and health
  - value chains
  - genetic improvement (breeding)

# Most relevant achievements to-date

- 2017 research call **Gender dynamics in seed systems**



Gender Dynamics in non-Hybrid Cereals and Legumes in Ethiopia and Uganda

Esther, Akpo, Chris, Lengewa, Melkassa, DebreZeit, NaSARRI, CBCC, ICRISAT



- First annual scientific conference, December 2017



## Main challenge

- Resource mobilization
- Internal barriers to resource mobilization for the Platform due to the financing structure of CGIAR

## BUT

- Addressed by the Systems Council endorsement of the CGIAR Collaborative Platform for Gender Research becoming a fully fledged Capital “P” CGIAR Platform

## Synergies with other CRPs/Platforms

- System-wide mandate on gender research – work with all CRPs and CGIAR Centers
- Regular communication with Gender Research Coordinators from all CRPs and Centers (call-ins)
- Collaboration with the CGIAR Big Data Platform to embed gender into their work
- Conferences, webinars and newsletters open also to non-CGIAR partners
- Gender Research Integrated Training (GRIT) for postdoctoral fellow (legacy phase 1) – ongoing collaboration with Pennsylvania State University

## 2018 highlights



- Workshop with 2017 grantees for the gender dynamics in seed systems projects – towards a Special Issue on the topic
- **Annual scientific conference** at International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) Campus Addis Ababa September 25-28
- Collaboration with the Big Data Platform, including the October convening
- Regular webinars, blogs, campaigns and newsletters (e.g. June!)
- Synthesis of CGIAR work on Gender Transformative Approaches (GTAs) and related expert meeting (*in discussion*)

# Thank you



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