

Evidences

Study #2121

Contributing Projects:

- P66 - Global policy support for biologically diverse, climate resilient agriculture

Part I: Public communications

Type: OICR: Outcome Impact Case Report

Status: On-going

Year: 2017

Title: International negotiators adopt CCAFS recommendations in the process of developing a new international system of plant germplasm exchange

Short outcome/impact statement:

The intergovernmental and stakeholder group in charge of international negotiations for enhancing the multilateral system of access and benefit-sharing under the Plant Treaty introduced content into the negotiating text that will be used as the basis of negotiations in 2018 based on submissions from CCAFS in 2017. The enhanced multilateral system eventually adopted by all the parties to the Plant Treaty is therefore expected to take into consideration and integrate elements and aspects of crucial importance for CCAFS.

Outcome story for communications use:

<Not Defined>

Links to any communications materials relating to this outcome: <Not Defined>

Part II: CGIAR system level reporting

Link to Common Results Reporting Indicator of Policies : Yes

Policies contribution: <Not Defined>

Stage of maturity of change reported: Stage 1

Links to the Strategic Results Framework:

Sub-IDOs:

- Increased conservation and use of genetic resources
- Conducive agricultural policy environment

Is this OICR linked to some SRF 2022/2030 target?: Yes

SRF 2022/2030 targets:

- # of more farm households have adopted improved varieties, breeds or trees

Description of activity / study: (note: under section 3, Links to Common Results Reporting Indicator, above, we would prefer to select 'stage 1' however when we do so, many of the fields in this reporting template disappear. For that reason we have selected stage 2 which is less appropriate. We have written asking for clarification/feedback about this, but not received a reply from the MARLO 'chat' function.)

Geographic scope:

- Global

Comments: <Not Defined>

Key Contributors:

Contributing CRPs/Platforms:

- Genebank - Genebank Platform
- CCAFS - Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security

Contributing Flagships:

- FP1: Priorities and Policies for CSA

Contributing Regional programs: <Not Defined>

Contributing external partners:

- IITA - International Institute of Tropical Agriculture
- CIP - Centro Internacional de la Papa
- ICRISAT - International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics
- Bioversity (Alliance) - Alliance of Bioversity and CIAT - Headquarter (Bioversity International)
- CIAT (Alliance) - Alliance of Bioversity and CIAT - Regional Hub (Centro Internacional de

Agricultura Tropical)

- IRRI - International Rice Research Institute
- ICRAF - World Agroforestry Centre
- ICARDA - International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas
- CIMMYT - Centro Internacional de Mejoramiento de Maíz y Trigo / International Maize and

Wheat Improvement Center

- ILRI - International Livestock Research Institute

CGIAR innovation(s) or findings that have resulted in this outcome or impact:

<Not Defined>

Innovations: <Not Defined>

Elaboration of Outcome/Impact Statement:

In 2015, the Governing Body of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (Plant Treaty) established a working group composed by country representatives from all the UN regions and stakeholders with the mandate to explore options for enhancing the multilateral system of access and benefit-sharing under the Plant Treaty, and to consider modifications to the Standard Material Transfer Agreement which is currently operative under the multilateral system, in order to reflect such enhancements. In 2017, the working group met twice, and these meetings were complemented by an informal consultation. The Governing Body of the Plant Treaty, at its seventh session (November 2017) considered the progress made by the working group and extended its mandate for two more years. In the last year, the working group has focused on developing a subscription system for users of plant genetic resources (PGR) under the multilateral system. CCAFS scientists have participated in the ongoing negotiations of this working group since 2015, working closely with genebank managers of the eleven CGIAR Centres that signed agreements with the Governing Body of the Plant Treaty in 2006, as well as the CGIAR System Office and intellectual property managers under the the CGIAR Legal and Intellectual Property Network (CLIPNet). From 2015 to 2017 they made many technical contributions. In addition to submitting papers to the working group they arranged for meetings with each of the the regional groups during the negotiating session and with the Plan Treaty Secretariat and the Co-Chairs of the working group. CCAFS scientists' inputs to the process focused on: 1) Simplifying the reporting format for providers of PGR; 2) Safeguarding public research organizations and small seed companies in developing countries from payments under the subscription system since these payments could represent big disincentives for them to obtain and use PGR from the multilateral system; and 3) calling for a simple and attractive enhanced multilateral system for all users of PGR. These three considerations have been taken into account by the negotiators and reflected in the negotiating text that will constitute the basis for further negotiations within the working group.

References cited:

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3. Meeting report: Report of the Seventh meeting of the ad-hoc open-ended working group to enhance the functioning of the multilateral system. Rome, Italy, 5-7 September 2017. Available at: <http://www.fao.org/3/a-mu669e.pdf>
4. Meeting report: Report of the Seventh Session of the Governing Body of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. Kigali, Rwanda. 30 October-3 November 2017. Available at: <http://www.fao.org/3/MV606/mv606.pdf>

Quantification: <Not Defined>

Gender, Youth, Capacity Development and Climate Change:

Gender relevance: 0 - Not Targeted

Youth relevance: 0 - Not Targeted

CapDev relevance: 0 - Not Targeted

Climate Change relevance: <Not Defined>

Other cross-cutting dimensions: <Not Defined>

Other cross-cutting dimensions description: <Not Defined>

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