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**AICCRA**  
Accelerating the Impact of CGIAR  
Climate Research for Africa



## **Gender & Social Inclusion in AICCRA**

### **AICCRA GSI Workshop**

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# Overview

AICCRA is required to integrate, monitor and report on gender and social inclusion according to the World Bank Gender Tag system:

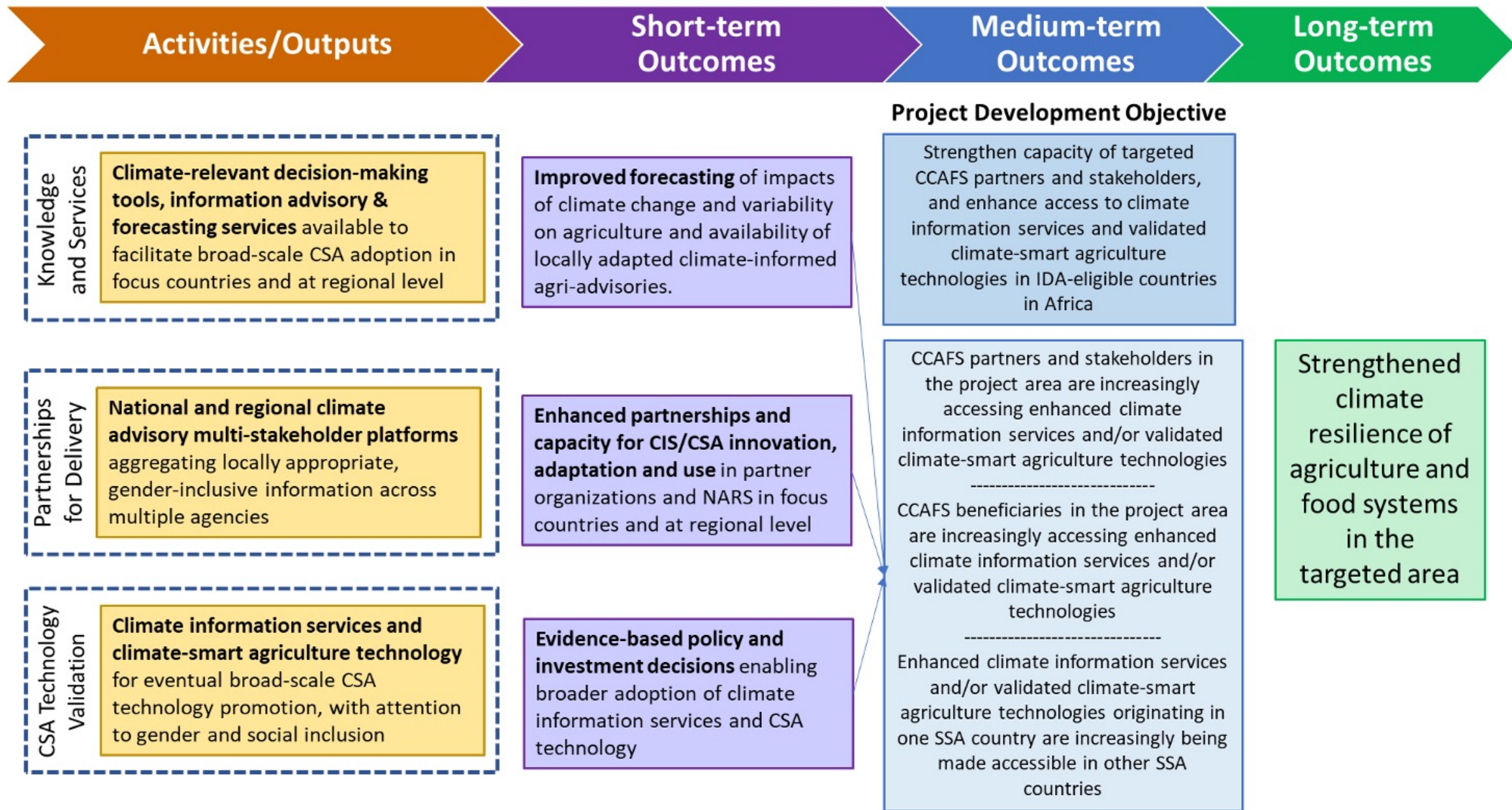
Identify gaps relevant to the four pillars of the WBG Gender Strategy;

1. Women are not accessing CSA technologies to the same extent as men,
2. Women are less represented in agricultural research and advance at lower rates than men.

Address these gaps through specific actions supported by the project;  
Link these actions to indicators included in the Results Framework (RF)

- Activity Areas identified with actions to close the identified gender gaps
- Sex-disaggregation of all indicators (where possible)
- Gender tag-specific indicators
- Two ongoing case studies to monitor/assess gender results

**Figure 4. AICCRA Theory of Change**



# Gender and Social Inclusion Activity Areas

- Identification of tailored CISs and digital agro-advisory packages for use in building new extension systems or strengthening existing extension systems
- Development and identification of gender-responsive practices/technologies
- Targeting CSA technologies at tasks performed by women, and reaching them through customized programs
- Development of business models and identification of innovative finance options for scaling-up CSA and climate-resilient value chains, with special consideration of gender and social inclusion
- Identification of scaling mechanisms for the uptake of CSA, especially for women and youth
- Targeting post-doc fellowships for women researchers
- Support to AGNES for inputs to gender and climate policy in Africa and at the global level

# Two monitoring case studies – Coordinated by GSI

## 1. What works to increase the gender-responsiveness of CSA technologies and practices

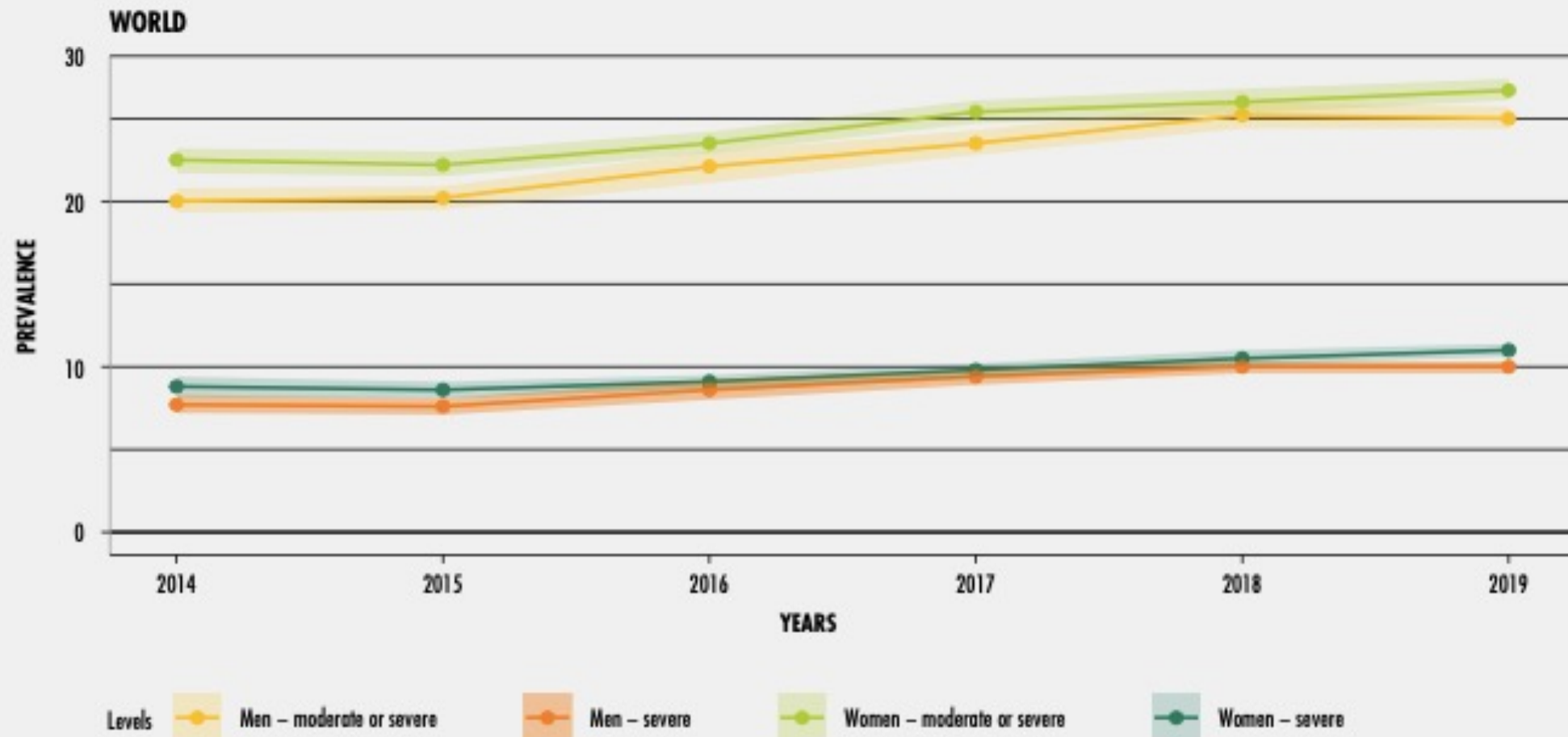
- including an assessment of whether the participation of women researchers and capacity development staff increases gender-responsiveness.
- GSI analysis of participatory approaches (F2 and GSI)
- Framework for assessing gender-responsiveness / gender-smartness of CSA technologies and practices
- Connections to gender-responsive / gender-smart value chains

## 2. AICCRA experience and results in promoting women's entry and advancement in agricultural research and extension

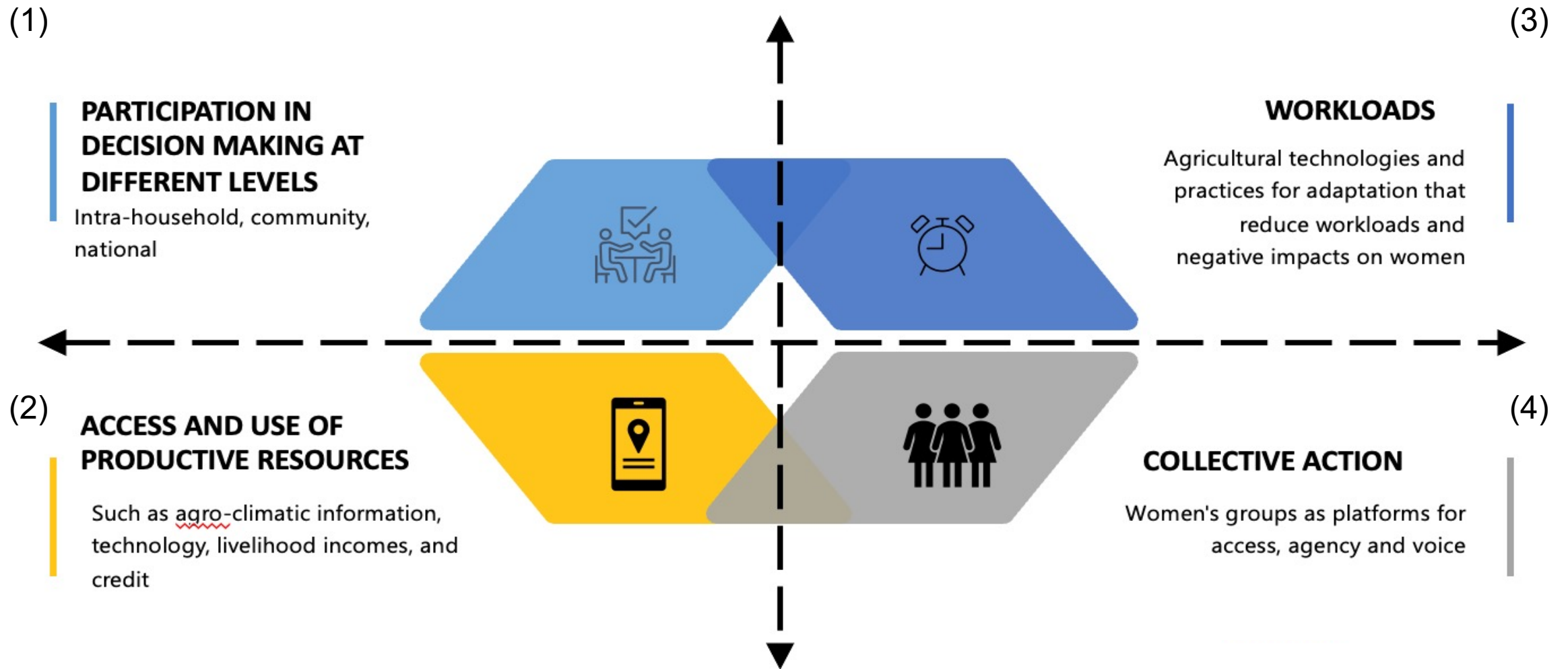
- Sex-disaggregated data for capacity development activities
- Connections to CGIAR Platform and Gender, Diversity and Inclusion on approaches to support women in agricultural research
- Endline analysis

# Context for AICCRA

# Global food insecurity rates by gender



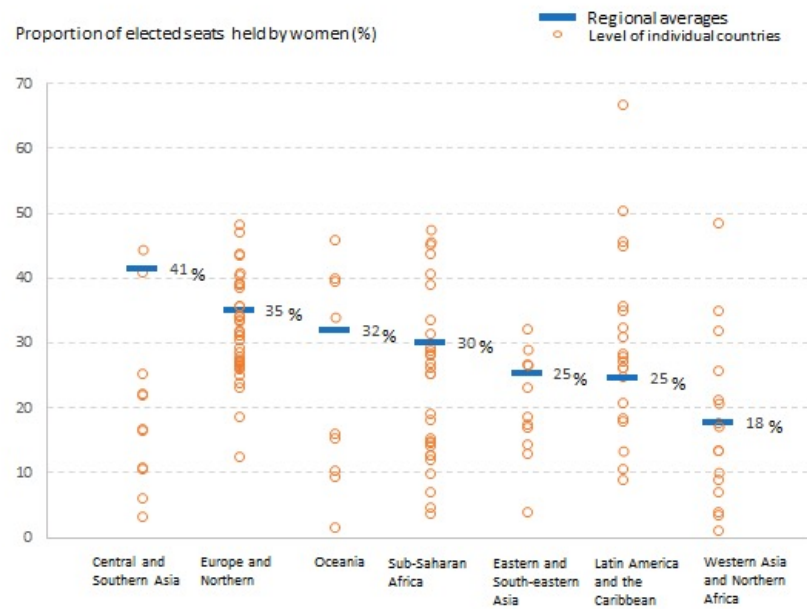
# Four gender inequality dimensions of climate resilience



# 1. Gender gaps in decision making

**Figure II:** Proportion of elected seats held by women in local deliberative bodies by region and country: as at 1 January 2020

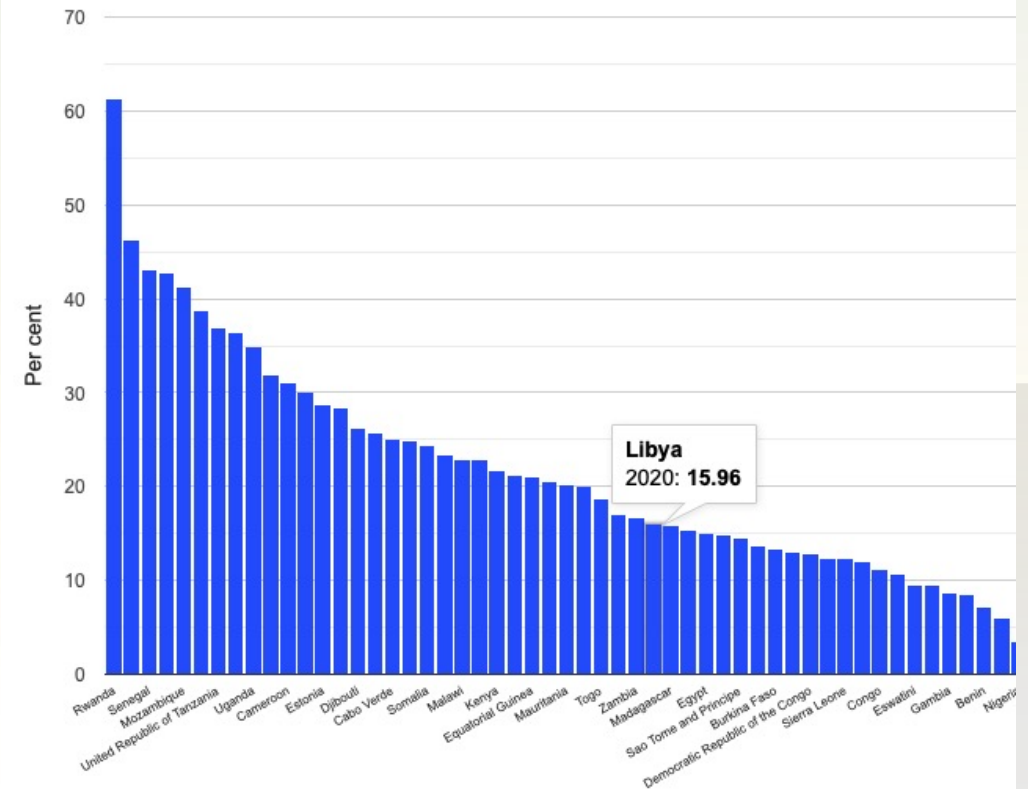
Proportion of countries



Source: UN-Women

Note: Each circle represents a country; regional averages (weighted by number of local government members) are represented with a blue line.

**Figure II:** Proportion of seats held by women in national parliaments in Africa: 2020 (Percentage)



# Decision making in climate-resilient agriculture

**At the household level** – participation in HH decision making led to greater fruit production and increased dietary diversity in Nicaragua

Integration of gender issues is low but increasing in **national and global policy** but steadily decreases down to the local level

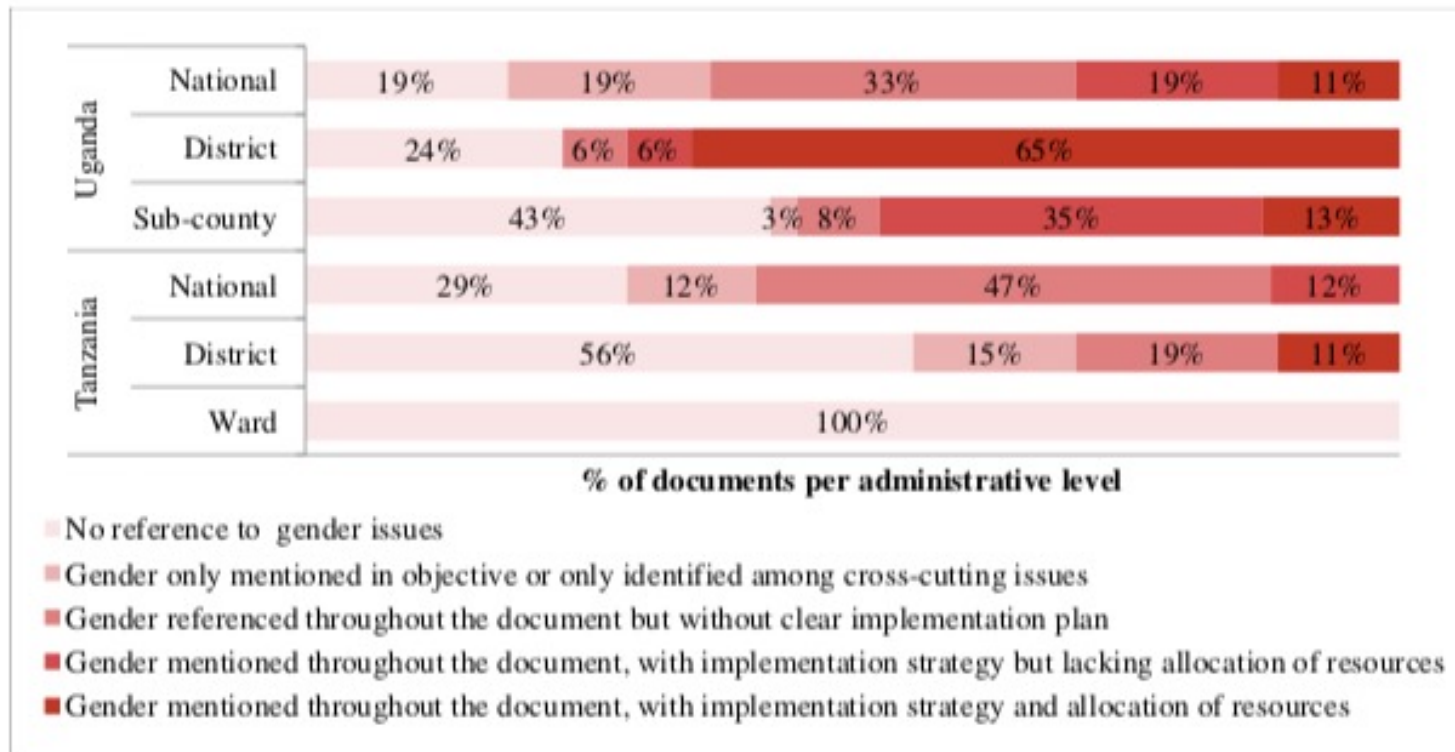


Fig. 1 Level of gender integration by administrative levels in Uganda and Tanzania

[Ampaire et al, 2020](#)



[Gumucio et al, 2017](#)

## Youth decision-making in agricultural adaptation

- Youth in EA considered access to resources to be a greater barrier to their agricultural production than participation in HH decision making
- Young women felt that their decision making power would not increase significantly after marriage



Amsler et al, 2017

## 2. Gender gaps in resources for food security

### Women's economic dependency in developing regions

Women's access to own cash income is much lower than men's

In sub-Saharan Africa,



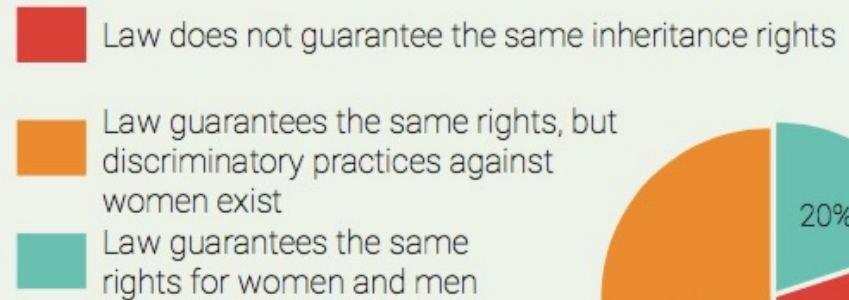
Many women are excluded from economic decision-making within their own households



1 in 3 women has no say about major household purchases

Existing statutory and customary laws restrict women's access to assets

Proportion of developing countries where:



# Gender differences in access and control of resources

## Five most common changes made by men and women to adapt to climate change

	n = 187	n = 155
Rakai, Uganda	Increase land in production (54)	Planting trees on farm (53)
	Planting trees on farm (26)	Change crop type (22)
	Set up food storage facilities (16%)	Increase land in production (21)
	Change crop type (11)	Change crop variety (10)
	Soil and water conservation (5)	Water harvesting (4)

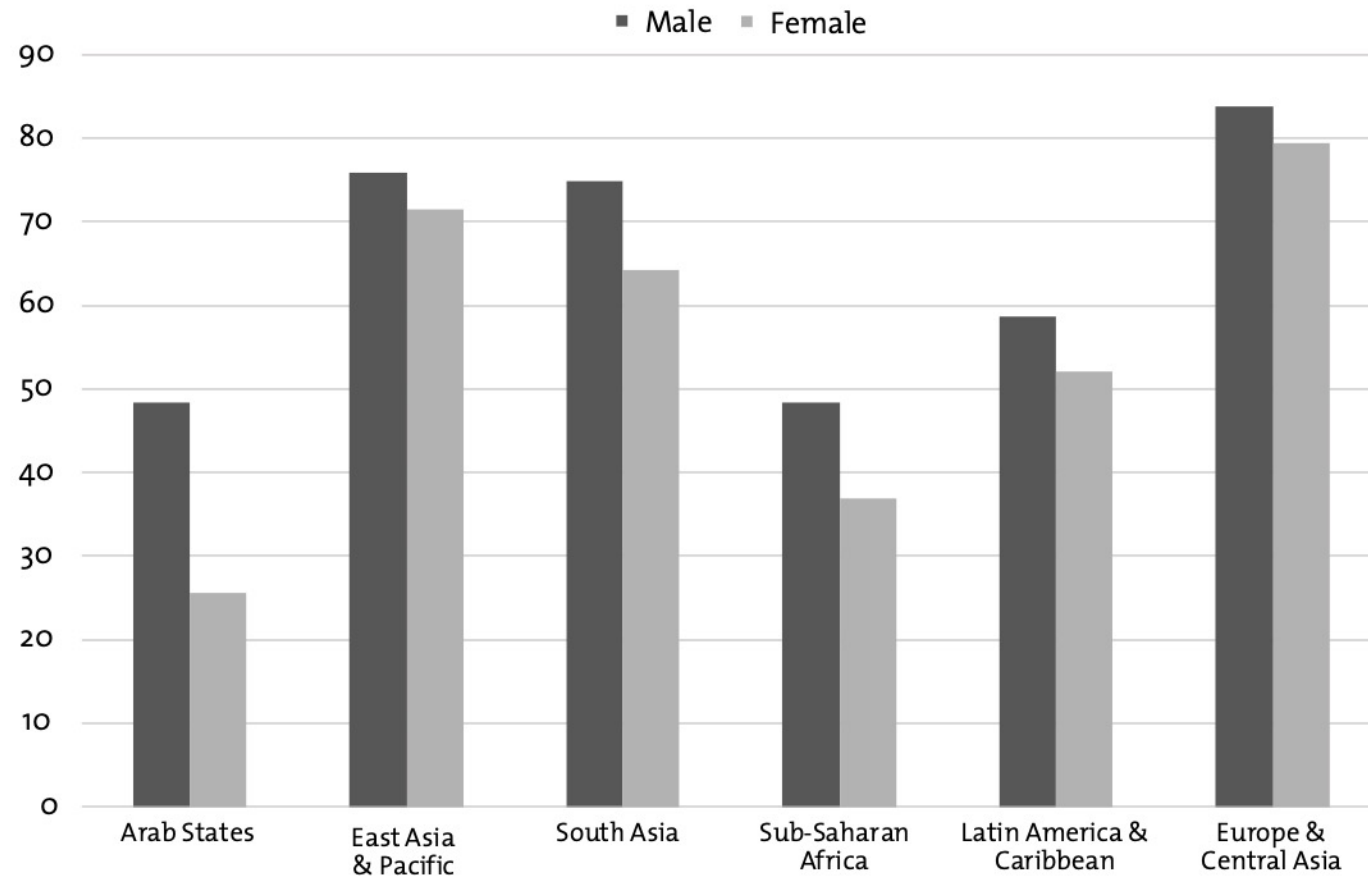
- Women and men tend to have different adaptation strategies and practices
- Different preferences in crops and uses for crops
- Fewer resources and less decision making power affect their options for adaptation practices
- May use a mixture of own labour and new technologies/practices

[Mutenje, M. J., et al. 2019.](#)

[Twyman, J et al. 2014](#)

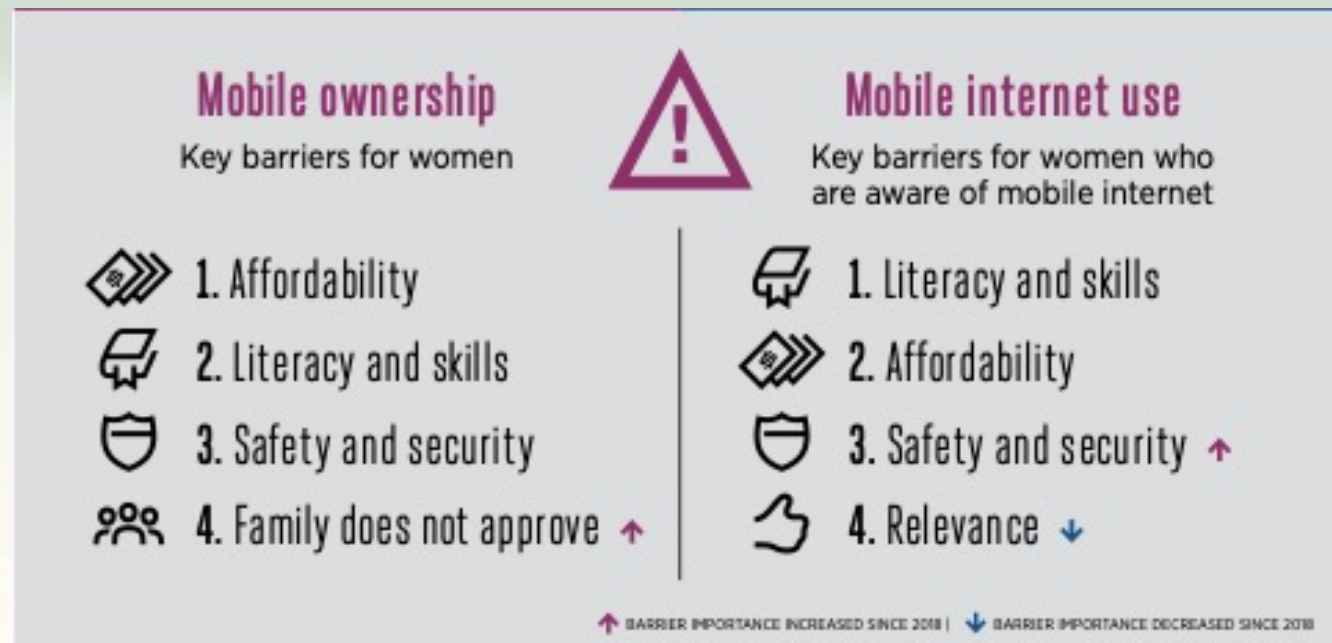
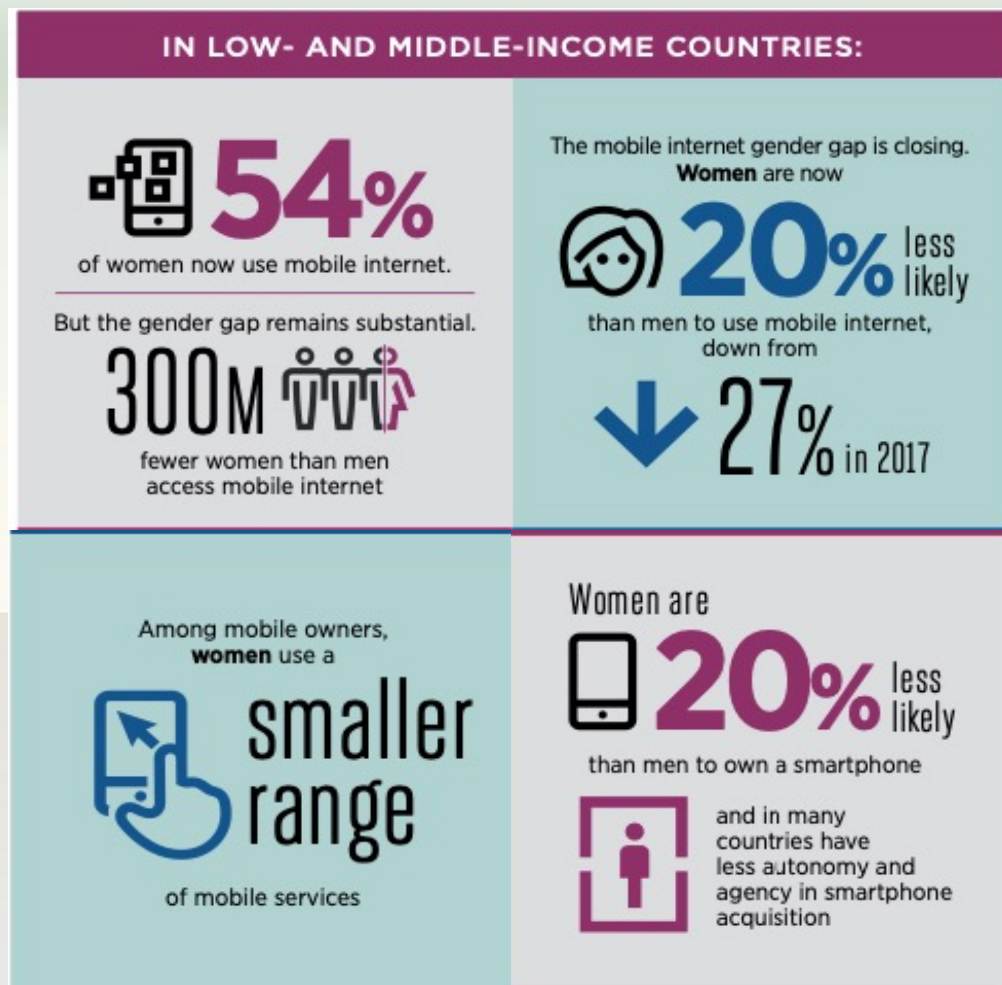
# Gender differences in access and control of resources

**Proportion of adults (15 years and older) with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile money service provider, by sex and region, 2017**



Source: World Bank, World Development Indicators (2020).

# Gender digital gap



## Differences in information priorities

**Table 4.** Needs of climate information services.

Type of climate information	Men (%)	Women (%)	All (men and women) (%)	Difference (%)
Onset date	89.65 (0.01)	94.85 (0.01)	90.68	−5.2 (0.02)**
Cessation date	90.39 (0.01)	94.85 (0.01)	91.28	−4.45 (0.02)**
Cumulative rainfall	85.49 (0.011)	88.84 (0.02)	86.15	−3.36 (0.025)
Daily rain forecast	87.19 (0.01)	93.13 (0.017)	88.38	−5.94 (0.023)**
Dry spells	84.2 (0.011)	92.27 (0.018)	85.81	8 (0.025)**
Wet spells	82.28 (0.012)	77.25 (0.027)	81.28	5 (0.028)*
Off seasons rains	87.5 (0.01)	87.98 (0.021)	87.61	−<1 (0.024)
Temperature forecast	87.3 (0.01)	87.12 (0.022)	87.26	−<1 (0.024)
Wind forecast	86.02 (0.011)	87.55 (0.02)	86.32	−1.5 (0.02)

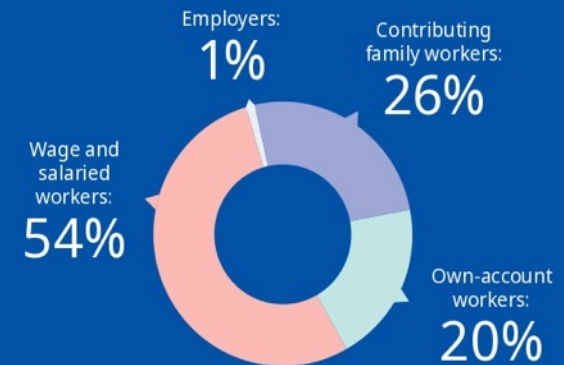
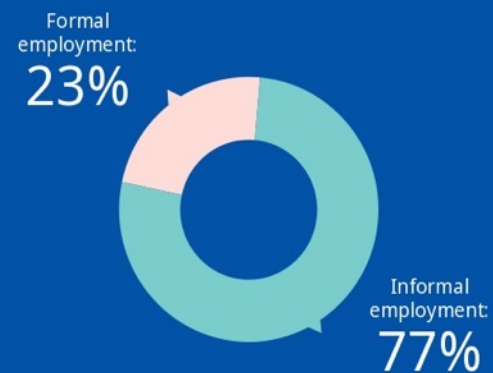
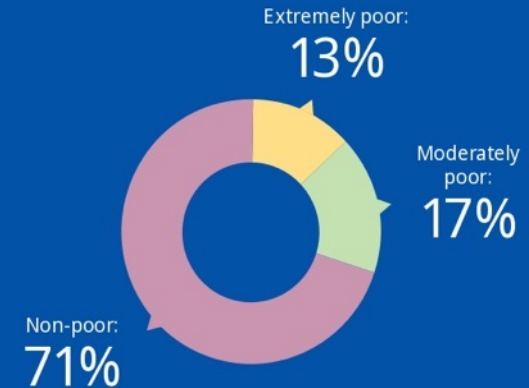
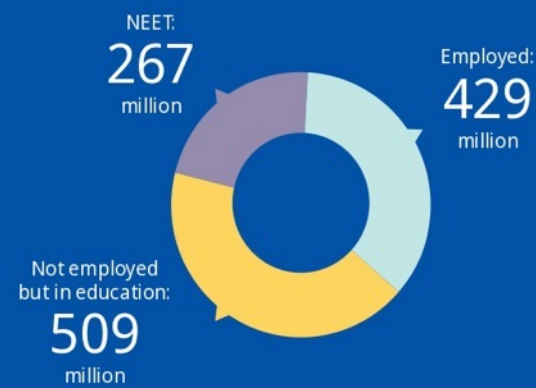
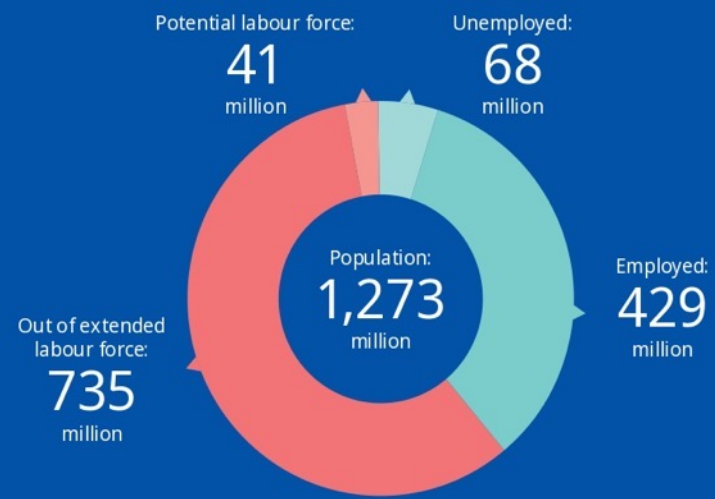
Note. \*\*\*, \*\*, and \*, respectively, denote significant levels of 1%, 5%, and 10%.

Standard Err. in ().

Source: Surveys (2017).

This table indicates the gender differences in preferences for climate information, based on women's and men's differing production activities. For example, if HH labour is prioritized for men's land and crops, then women's crops will be sowed or harvested at different times in the planting season and they may need different climate information.

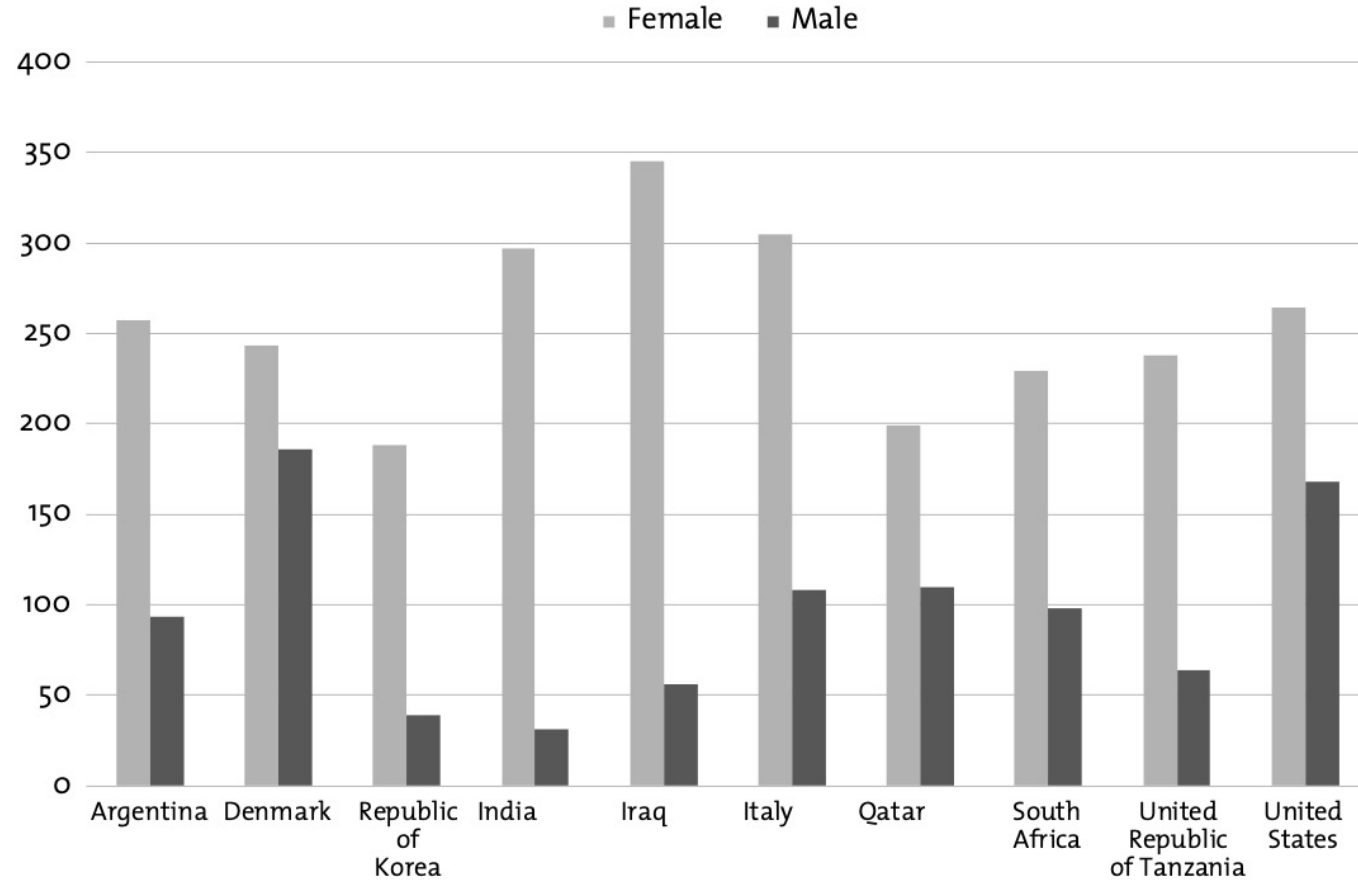
# Youth gaps: employment



ILO, 2020

### 3. Women's workload

Average time (minutes) per day spent on unpaid work by sex, selected countries



Source: ILO (2018a).

Note: Data based on most recent year available.

# Reducing workloads: gender-responsive technologies



## 4. Collective action for equality in Daga Birame, Senegal



A



B



C



D

# Collective action as a platform for equality, agency and resilience in India



**AICCRA Case Study 1:**  
Gender-targeted CSA technologies and  
practices

# Components of the gender and CSA case study

- Articulation of how and why gender-targeted CSA technologies, practices, crops, were chosen – what was the prioritization and implementation process
  - Development of common approach or set of approaches
- Relation to value chains, and the position of the GSI-targeted CSA in the value chain;
- Monitoring of improvements in terms of one or more of the following:
  - Women's time use and resulting benefits
  - Household results (TBD)
  - Community results, i.e. participation and leadership in community organizations
  - National results?
  - Empowerment – GEI CSV
- Monitoring the numbers of women as capacity developers, researchers (MARLO)

*We need to come up with a common & connected but not necessarily identical approach*

# Integrating Gender in CSA: CSA Prioritisation

## 1. Situational Analysis

1. Sex disaggregated data – collect a sample or [already available](#)
2. CSA Profiles – some have gender data and information
3. [Gender Profile of CSA in Ghana](#)
4. Global databases – World Bank, ILO, etc.
5. [Climate-Smart Agriculture Rapid Appraisal tool – gender example: : Gender divisions and climate variability are hindering a climate-smart East Africa](#)
6. [Participatory identification of climate-smart agriculture priorities](#)
7. [Climate Change and Food Security Vulnerability Assessment toolkit](#)

# Gender in CSA Prioritisation

## 2. Identification and evaluation of existing current and promising gender-responsive CSA practices, technologies and services

- Compendium of gender-responsive CSA techs and practices – F2 synthesis
- [Potential of climate-smart agriculture in reducing women farmers' drudgery in high climatic risk areas](#) – Arun Khatri-Chhetri, 2020, *Climatic Change*
- Cost-benefit analysis: [A cost-benefit analysis of climate-smart agriculture options in Southern Africa: Balancing gender and technology](#) (2019)
- Participatory approaches – [Partnerships for Scaling up CSA in Africa](#)



# 2017: Field testing of CSA portfolio and # of farmers involved

- Tested
- Evaluated
- Tested & Evaluated
- Mitigation potential
- Households
- Available in Site, not by CCAFS
- Gender aspect assessed
- Potential gender impact

## CSA Practices

Improved seeds (Soybean, brought tolerant, maize)	103		Inorganic Fertilizer (maize)	53	
Intercropping (cowpea, jatropha)	53		Bunds (maize)	53	
Improved seeds (Biofortified, maize, orange, flesh potato, iron rich millet, non shattering soybean)	53		No or Zero Tilla (soybean)	53	
Tied ridges (maize)	53		Intercropping Tree planting (cashew, moringa)	53	
Crop rotation (maize, cowpea)	53				

## Agro-climatic services

Seasonal forecast	641	
Daily forecast	641	
Weekly/10 days forecast	641	
Agro-advisories on varieties applied under forecasted information	641	
Agro-advisories on fertilizer & pesticide application	641	

## Financial services

- Informal saving groups
- Informal indiv. credits
- Informal group loans
- Weather-based insurance

## Market incentives

- Input subsidies
- Price support 641

*Table 4. Percentage of men and women on the perceived effect on the generation of additional income derived from the implementation of CSA practices)*

<b>CSA Practices (Olopa)</b>	<b>N</b>		<b>Percentage</b>
Improved black bean varieties	Men	16	<b>44%</b>
	Women	24	<b>67%</b>
Vegetable garden with water harvesting	Men	9	<b>44%</b>
	Women	20	<b>90%</b>
Vegetable garden without water harvesting	Men	75	<b>53%</b>
	Women	94	<b>71%</b>
Irrigation	Men	21	<b>57%</b>
	Women	23	<b>65%</b>

**Table 5** List of women-led agricultural activities and CSA interventions

Key activities	Key climate-smart interventions	Expected impact on labor/yield/income
Weeding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weed management activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction in labor hours</li> </ul>
Collection of fodder or fuelwood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agroforestry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction in fuelwood collection time</li> </ul>
Collection of water for domestic or irrigation purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Management of water harvesting structures</li> <li>• Management of irrigation through solar pumps</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction in water collection time</li> </ul>
Horticultural activities (vegetable cultivation and high-value fruit)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water-smart technologies such as drip irrigation, especially for drought-prone areas</li> <li>• Improved home gardens</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction in time and labor for irrigation, additional source of income (leading to improved food security)</li> </ul>
Sowing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved high-yielding variety of seeds</li> <li>• Direct seeded rice, zero-tillage wheat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved yield and income</li> </ul>
Livestock management (fodder collection and milking)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fodder cultivation and management (fodder bank, improved varieties, silage/hey preparation)</li> <li>• Weather-friendly housing for livestock</li> <li>• Connect with local dairy</li> <li>• Livestock manure management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve milk production during weather stress conditions</li> <li>• Better livestock management leading to secured income especially in cases of crop loss, reduced labor for livestock-related activities</li> <li>• Increase nutrient supply for crop cultivation</li> </ul>
Weather information, agro-advisory, and market information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agro-advisory and market information customized for women</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to information for better management of activities, especially useful for females responsible for all agricultural operations including marketing of produce</li> </ul>

### Weather Smart



- Weather forecasts
- ICT-based agro-advisories
- Index-based insurance
- Climate analogues

### Water Smart



- Aquifer recharge
- Rainwater harvesting
- Community management of water
- Laser-leveling
- On-farm water management

### Carbon Smart



- Agroforestry
- Conservation tillage
- Land-use systems
- Livestock management

### Nitrogen Smart



- Site-specific nutrient management
- Precision fertilizers
- Catch-cropping/legumes

### Energy Smart



- Biofuels
- Fuel-efficient engines
- Residue management
- Minimum tillage

### Knowledge Smart



- Farmer-to-farmer learning
- Community seed and fodder banks
- Market information
- Off-farm risk management

# Gender integration in CSA prioritisation: CCAFS experience

## East Africa

- Group based interventions
  - Community Based Organizations (CBOs)
  - Sub groups: Only women, Both men and women, and youth
  - Majority women participation in mixed groups
- Targeted technical interventions
  - Removing gender constraints and barriers eg. Smart-farm
- Soft interventions eg. Exposure visits, agri fairs

## West Africa

- Group based interventions
  - CSA groups of 8-10 women
- Targeted technical interventions
  - Forest degradation in Senegal
- Capacity building of project staff
- Multiple rounds of gender analysis

## Latin America

- Family level adaptation planning
  - Prioritization based on gendered roles within family
- Targeted technical interventions
  - Smart greenhouses

## South Asia

- Group based interventions
  - One group per village (all women) for project activities
- Targeted technical interventions
  - Custom Hiring centers
  - Technologies eg biogas,
- Soft interventions eg. Exposure visits, agri fairs, trainings

# Challenges

- Cultural differences
  - Kenya, India
- Lack of gender knowledge and expertise as well as a clear roadmap
- Integrating interest of all farmers
  - Dominant groups tend to bias prioritization processes



## Learnings

- It is important to understand the **role of women farmers (including intersectional identities), their local knowledge and their preferences** to better understand what to implement, with whom and how
  - Example: new seed varieties in Kenya
- Participation of women in project activities (and uptake of CSA) is higher in areas where **women are more empowered**
  - Example: Nyando (Kenya) and Betul, Madhya Pradesh (India)
  - Work with women groups, wherever possible
- Solutions/interventions need to be **local / contextual**
  - Prioritize on the field

# Gender in CSA Implementation



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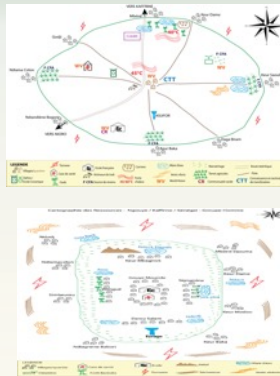
## *Mainstreaming gender and social differentiation into CCAFS research activities in West Africa: Key achievements & lessons learned for scaling up CSA*



# How gender is mainstreamed into CCAFS activities in West Africa?

## Participatory research action

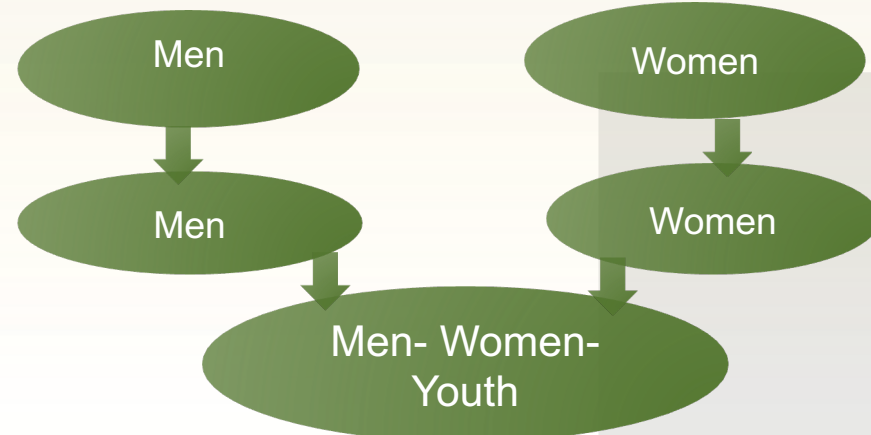
- Focus group (Village baseline)



- Community Resource
- Organizational landscape
- Information network

Vision of the future

Vision of the future - Community



- Household and intra household surveys

# Keys activities implemented in WA

## Capacity building

Training of partners for gender research in CSVs

Trainings of women on CSA practices (test, exchange visit)

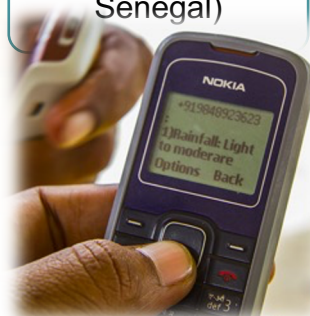


## Gender studies to understand the linkage between gender and CC

Perception of climate change & adaptation strategies (Mali)

Prioritization of CSA options (Mali, Niger, Ghana)

Access & use of climate information (Ghana and Senegal)



## Gender sensitive activities to empower women

Processing of baobab fruit powder (Senegal)

Promotion of *cassio tora* production (Niger)

Development of gender CSA groups (Ghana)

Off/on season gardening (Ghana, Mali and Senegal)



# Gender empowerment through CCAFS activities in West Africa

## Capacity building (Training, tests, exchange visits) :

PICSA, tree planting and grafting, nutritional education, etc.



## Gender sensitive activities

- ✓ Tree planting (*Moringa*)
- ✓ Off season gardening,
- ✓ Nutritional education,
- ✓ CSA groups formed in Ghana CSV (Ghana)
- ✓ New crops (fonio, soya bean, sesame, *cassia tora*)
- ✓ NTFP processing (Senegal)



# Understanding gender issue ...

- **Gender studies** revealed that :
  - ✓ Women and men have similar **perceptions** of climate change in Ghana and Mali CSVs
  - ✓ Women and men have different **perceptions** of adaptation strategies in Ghana and Mali.
  - ✓ Women and men have different **access and use** of CSA options including CIS in Ghana and Mali.
  - ✓ Differentiated **impact** of the CIS use on women and men in Senegal.



# Key lessons

An effective mainstreaming of gender and social issue within CSVs' activities in WA requires:

- Understanding gender perception on climate change and adaptation strategies to develop gender responsive CSA options.
- Understanding differentiated access and use of CSA options for promoting the uptake of gender responsive CSA technologies and practices.
- Developing gender specific activities in CSV work that meet women and youth needs and concern and motivate them to participate in CSA.
- Establishing gender collective organizations to support gender initiatives (networking, capacity building, mutual support).

# Ways forwards for AICCRA

- Leverage from CCAFS achievements in gender studies in West Africa (perceptions, adoption, impact of CSA on gender)
- Sustain and scale up some promised gender activities within the CSV (need investment) and develop new activities for gender empowerment.
- Address the main constraints of adoption of CSA:
  - strengthening the capacity of women to implement CSA
  - improving access to inputs/equipment requires for CSA.

# GSI in Monitoring and Evaluation

# AICCRA indicators

Indicator Name	PBC	Baseline	Intermediate Targets		
			1	2	3
<b>1. Knowledge Generation and Sharing</b>					
IPI 1.1: Climate-relevant knowledge products, decision-making tools and advisory services created or enhanced including a proportion targeting gender and social inclusion dimensions (Number)		0.00	15.00	45.00	90.00
IPI 2.1: Climate advisory platforms/hubs launched/strengthened, including their focus on gender and social inclusion (Number)		0.00	1.00	4.00	8.00
IPI 2.3: People engaged in AICCRA-funded capacity development activities (Number)		0.00	500.00	2,000.00	4,000.00
IPI 3.2: Climate information services and climate-smart agriculture technologies reaching women through customized programs targeting their interests (Number)		0.00	5.00	18.00	36.00

Participation of women researchers and capacity development staff in relation to gender-responsiveness???

# Gender Empowerment Index for CSVs

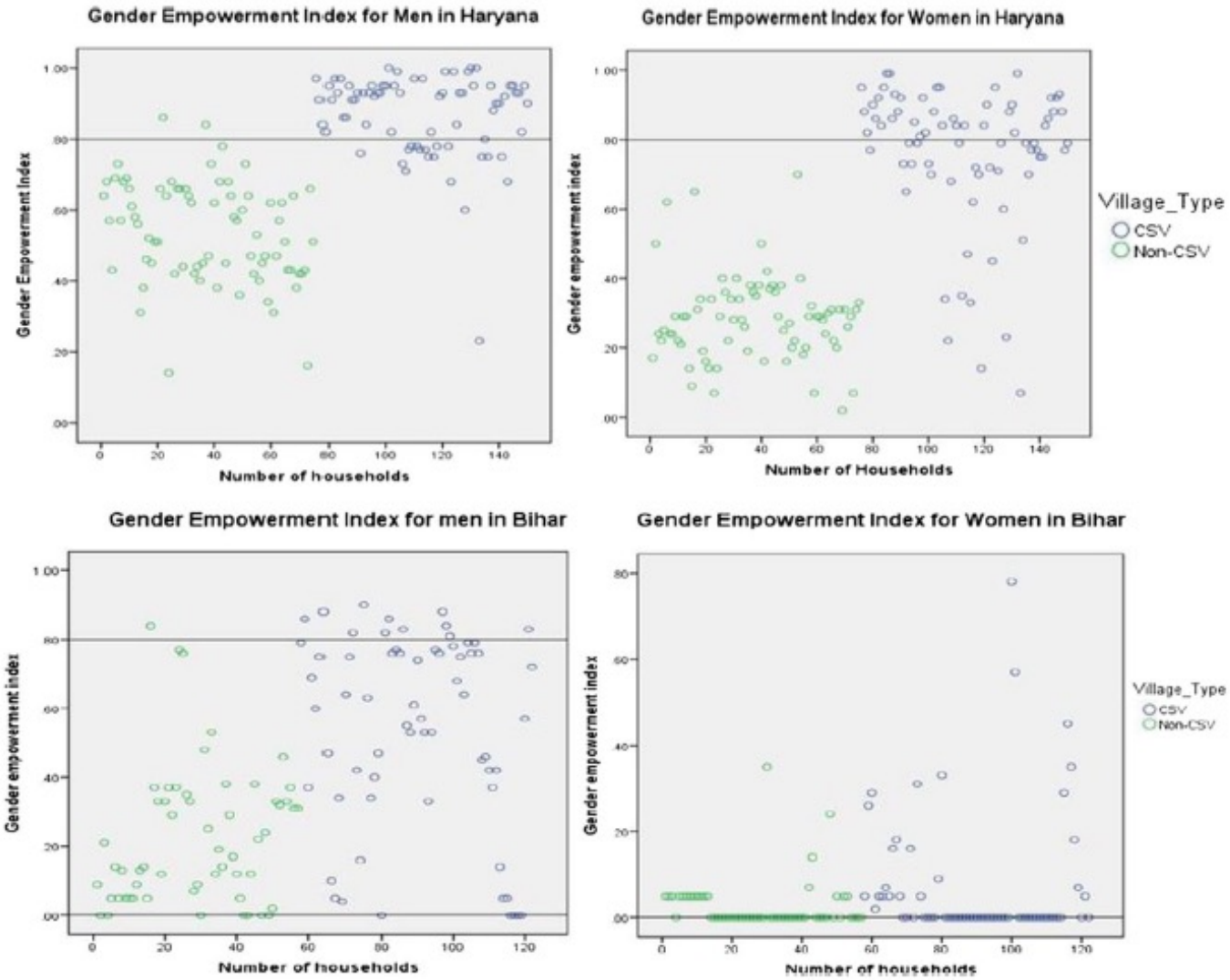
- The Gender Empowerment Index for CSVs or the GEI-CSV is a tool developed by CCAFS and tested in India (Bihar and Haryana) - [Does the climate-smart village approach influence gender equality in farming households? A case of two contrasting ecologies in India](#)
- Objective: To understand the process and entry points to achieve empowerment and gender equality in climate change adaptation process in agriculture
- Index comprises of four major measurable indicators
  - Political
  - Economic
  - Agricultural
  - Social
- Measures empowerment at the inter-household and intra-household level.
- Results in India show that both women and men experienced empowerment

**Table 1** The four domains of gender empowerment index

Domain	Code	Indicators	Weight
Political (P)	p1	Independent right to vote	1/2
	p2	More participation in village level decision making	1/2
Economic (E)	e1	Improved earning opportunity	1/2
	e2	Improved skill set and capability to work	1/2
Social (S)	s1	Increase access to credit/KCC/bank and its facilities	1/8
	s2	Improved participation in the decision on spending money for agriculture	1/8
	s3	Improved participation in the decision on spending money on home expenses	1/8
	s4	Improved participation in decision on spending money on child education	1/8
	s5	Better control of money for education for children	1/8
	s6	Better control of money For health for family	1/8
	s7	Better access to a mobile phone	1/8
	s8	Better access to insurance	1/8
Agricultural (A)	a1	Better awareness that climate variability can be a risk to agriculture	1/17
	a2	Better access to information to manage agricultural risk	1/17
	a3	Better information on nutrient application	1/17
	a4	Better access to nutrient application practices	1/17
	a5	Improved soil/land quality	1/17
	a6	Improved water use efficiency	1/17
	a7	Better access to improved seeds	1/17
	a8	Better access to quality inputs	1/17
	a9	Increased use of weather-based insurance/crop insurance	1/17
	a10	Better access to machines	1/17
	a11	Better access to markets (input and output)	1/17
	a12	Better participation in the sale of livestock products	1/17
	a13	Better participation in training/workshops/seminars	1/17
	a14	Better crop diversification/ any change in cropping pattern	1/17
	a15	Improved role in decision-related to change in cropping pattern	1/17
	a16	Better access to information through mobile-based agro-advisories	1/17
	a17	Improved income through selling output	1/17

# Gender Empowerment Index for CSVs

Intra-region comparison



Inter region comparison

## Going forward - We need to agree on:

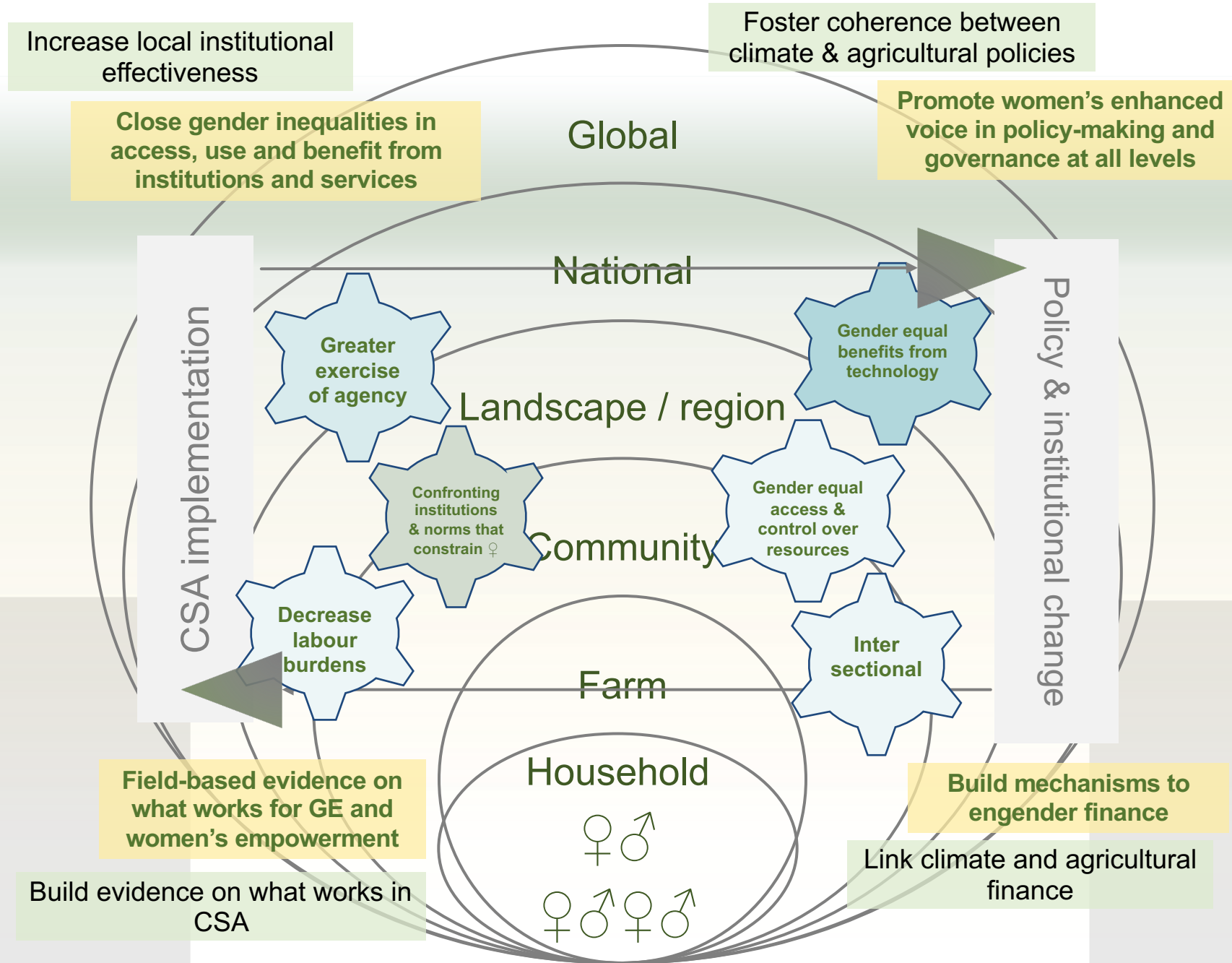
- Common approach to 'gender-smartness' and how to get there
- GSI and CSA value chain approach
- Indicators for the case study – or a common approach to measure what is gender-responsive CSA: GEI-CSV? CSA Monitoring?
- Measurement of empowerment results – what are we measuring?
- Other??

## Tools and Resources

- Special Issue on Gender Equality and CSA: Approaches and Opportunities. *Climatic Change*, 158(1) (2020)
- Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund, & University of Reading. (2014). *Assessing the Impacts of Shamba Shape Up*. Nairobi: Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund.
- Kristjanson, et al (2017). Addressing gender in agricultural research for development in the face of a changing climate.
- [Standards for Collecting Sex-Disaggregated Data for Gender Analysis: A guide for CGIAR researchers](#)
- [CCAFS Gender and Inclusion Toolbox](#)
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# GSI Scaling framework

# Gender Empowerment & CSA: A Scaling Framework



# Gender and Social Inclusion

## Activity Areas

- Identification of tailored CISs and digital agro-advisory packages for use in building new extension systems or strengthening existing extension systems
- Development and identification of gender-responsive practices/technologies
- Targeting CSA technologies at tasks performed by women, and reaching them through customized programs
- Development of business models and identification of innovative finance options for scaling-up CSA and climate-resilient value chains, with special consideration of gender and social inclusion
- Identification of scaling mechanisms for the uptake of CSA, especially for women and youth
- Targeting post-doc fellowships for women researchers
- Support to AGNES for inputs to gender and climate policy in Africa and at the global level

# Tools and Resources

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