

IFPRI STRATEGY

2013–2018

FOOD POLICY RESEARCH

in a Time of Unprecedented Challenges

Research

Communications

Partnerships

Capacity Strengthening

Sustainably
Reducing Poverty
and Ending Hunger
and Malnutrition



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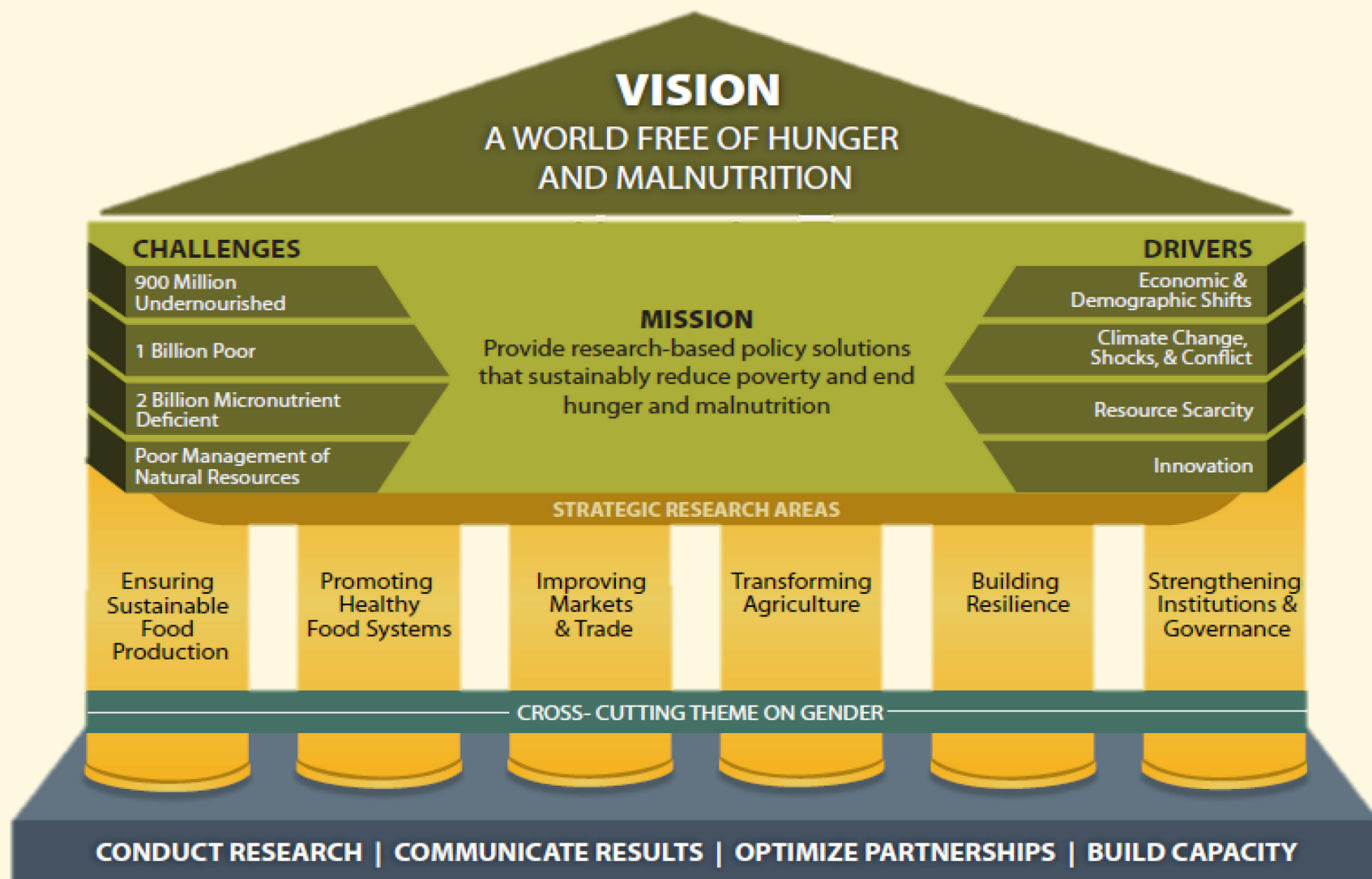
Changing Global Landscape

- Volatile food prices
- Rising incomes, urbanization, and changing diets
- Climate change and weather-related shocks
- Growing scarcity of water, energy, and land
- New players: emerging economies, private sector
- CGIAR has refocused its mission to include cutting hunger and malnutrition

IFPRI's Comparative Advantages

- High-quality food policy research and communications
- Leadership in modeling, impact evaluation, and social science research
- Expert staff with a wide range of disciplines and technical skills
- Proximity to stakeholders through regional and country offices
- Links to many different groups that set the global food security and nutrition agenda

Strategic Framework



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Strategic Research Areas

1. Ensuring sustainable food production
2. Promoting healthy food systems
3. Improving markets and trade
4. Transforming agriculture
5. Building resilience
6. Strengthening institutions and governance

1. Ensuring Sustainable Food Production

IFPRI will

- Assess policies, institutions, and innovations that can
 - Advance food and nutrition security
 - Reduce wasteful use of resources
 - Protect biodiversity
 - Support poorer producers and consumers
- Analyze threats to future food and nutrition security

Impact

- Better agricultural policies
- More evidence-based natural resource policies
- More effective local, national, and global agricultural systems

2. Promoting Healthy Food Systems

IFPRI will

- Examine how to make foods safer and more nutritious as they move along the value chain
- Analyze investments in water, sanitation, and education
- Continue biofortification work

Impact

- A food system that provides more nutritious and safer food for the poor, especially women and young children

3. Improving Markets and Trade

IFPRI will

- Study how to correct market failures and remove barriers to market access for smallholders, especially women
- Analyze how to manage risk, build social capital, enable collective action, foster partnerships between smallholders and the private sector, and improve infrastructure
- Investigate factors in volatile food prices, financial crises, and shocks

Impact

- Policies that provide smallholders with better access to local and global markets

4. Transforming Agriculture

IFPRI will

- Analyze strategies and policies that can jumpstart agricultural transformation
- Assess returns on different types of public agricultural and rural investments

Impact

- Identification of policy options for fostering pro-poor agricultural and economic growth in developing countries

5. Building Resilience

IFPRI will

- Set benchmarks for achieving resilience at various levels
- Evaluate whether safety nets, insurance, and other mechanisms increase the resilience of livelihoods and ecosystems
- Consider trade-offs associated with achieving resilience

Impact

- Identification of instruments and approaches for managing risk and building resilience

6. Strengthening Institutions and Governance

IFPRI will

- Analyze collective action on natural resources
- Study the political economy of agricultural policymaking
- Assess options for delivering more effective and equitable services to all

Impact

- Better understanding of the policymaking process
- Increased political feasibility of pro-poor policy reforms
- Governance arrangements that benefit poor smallholders, especially women

Cross-cutting Theme: Gender

IFPRI will

- Weave gender into all six strategic research areas
- Identify gender differences in technology adoption
- Consider women's access to and control over assets, inclusion in markets and trade, and roles in institution building and decisionmaking

Impact

- Policies that promote gender equality alongside poverty reduction, agricultural growth, and overall economic development

Highlights of Regional Priorities

West and Central Africa

- Undernutrition and malnutrition
- Labor productivity
- Role of agribusiness

East and Southern Africa

- Undernutrition and malnutrition
- Smallholder-friendly markets and trade
- Labor productivity

South Asia

- Climate adaptation
- Growth-nutrition disconnect
- Pro-poor agricultural reforms

East and Southeast Asia

- Resource-efficient technologies
- Transformation of value chains
- Village-level governance

Highlights of Regional Priorities

Latin America and Caribbean

- Market failures in rural sector
- Land reforms
- Frameworks for decentralization

Central Asia

- Growth effects of public investment
- Property rights
- Collective action

Middle East and North Africa

- Food, water, and energy linkages
- Inclusive growth
- Resilience to conflict

Central Europe and OECD countries

- Nutrition-sensitive development policies
- Food aid reform
- Accountable global governance

From Strategy to Action: Partnerships

IFPRI will

- Reach out to new players
- Assess the state of its partnerships
- Monitor and evaluate partnerships' activities, performance, costs and benefits, and impacts
- Create a master partnership plan
- Invest in food policy partnership research

From Strategy to Action: Communications

IFPRI will continue to

- Broaden its communication with the research community, the policy and development community, and the public
- Support the creation of knowledge
- Promote dialogue
- Present research in various formats
- Make knowledge freely available

From Strategy to Action: Capacity Strengthening

IFPRI will

- Mainstream capacity-strengthening research within the Institute
- Partner with others on theoretical research and direct capacity-building activities
- Build a framework for evaluating the impact of capacity-strengthening activities

IFPRI Strategy within CGIAR

IFPRI's strategy

- Encompasses IFPRI's full portfolio of research
- Is in line with the 2011 CGIAR Strategic Results Framework

IFPRI Strategic Research Area	IFPRI-Led CGIAR Research Program
Ensuring Sustainable Food Production	Policies, Institutions, and Markets
Strengthening Institutions and Governance	Policies, Institutions, and Markets
Improving Markets and Trade	Policies, Institutions, and Markets
Promoting Healthy Food Systems	Agriculture for Nutrition and Health

From Strategy to Impact

IFPRI's strategic research areas



Outputs



Outcomes



Impacts

- Improved food security, nutrition, and health
- Reduced poverty
- Sustainable management of natural resources
- Gender equity

A Food-Secure Future

IFPRI's 2013–2018 Strategy will

- Reinforce IFPRI's role as an evidence-based research organization that partners for impact
- Help the Institute achieve its vision of a world free of hunger and malnutrition

Full strategy and strategy highlights are available at

<http://www.ifpri.org/publication/ifpri-strategy-2013-2018>