Global Conference on Women in Agriculture
13-15 March, 2012
NASC Complex, New Delhi, India

Overarching Goal
Empowering Women for Inclusive Growth in Agriculture

Program

Organizers
Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
Asia-Pacific Association of Agricultural Research Institutions (APAARI)
with support from GFAR under the Gender in Agriculture Partnership

Co-Sponsors
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Objectives

• To discuss and deliberate the prevailing and emerging gender related issues in agriculture and food systems and derive lessons learned for future sustainable development,

• To take stock of evidence on experience in enhancing the role of women in agriculture,

• To understand the approaches and mechanisms adopted by international organizations, regional fora, nation states and their stakeholders including civil society and the private sector for empowering women and addressing gender related issues in agriculture,

• To collate lessons on strategies for strengthening gender research in agriculture to make technology generation and dissemination, agricultural planning and policy making gender sensitive and disseminate them through a variety of products, services and tools, and

• To develop a Framework for Action to integrate and empower women for inclusive growth and development through an enduring global partnership program on gender in agriculture ensuring that:

(i) New knowledge and experiences are shared from cross-country programs as well as inter-regional/global successes concerning the role of women in agriculture,

(ii) Gaps and needs in policies and institutions, research, education and extension are identified in issues related to women’s role in agriculture,

(iii) Technological and institutional innovations better meet the needs of farm women,

(iv) Strategies are developed and implemented for addressing gender issues in agriculture at the local, national, regional and global level, and

(v) Support is generated for these actions.
**TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012**

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Inauguration of **INNOVATION MARKET PLACE** by H.E. The President of India

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<td>Ann Tutwiler, Deputy Director General, Food and Agriculture Organization</td>
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**POLICY FORUM-I**

**Reforms in Empowering Women in Agriculture**

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<td><strong>Cynthia Bantilan</strong>, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics</td>
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<td><strong>Marcela Villarreal</strong>, Food and Agriculture Organization</td>
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<td><strong>Matia Chowdhury</strong>, Agriculture Minister, Bangladesh</td>
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<td><strong>Marcus Goldstein</strong>, World Bank</td>
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<td><strong>Nafis Sadik</strong>, Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General and UN Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Asia-Pacific</td>
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<td><strong>Gerda Verburg</strong>, Permanent FAO Representative, Netherlands</td>
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The Panelists will comment on the analysis and recommendations contained in the recent reports on Gender in Agriculture (FAO 2011) and Gender and Development (WDR 2012) and their implications for Action at the Global, Regional, National and Local Levels.

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1. The State of Food and Agriculture in 2010-2011: Women in Agriculture: Closing the Gender Gap for Development; and World Development Report 2012: Gender Equality and Development
15:30-16:00 : Tea/Coffee Break

16:00-17:30

**POLICY FORUM-II**

Institutional Changes for Capacity Building and Partnerships

Moderator : Mark Holderness, Global Forum on Agricultural Research
Rapporteur : Ashok Kumar Singh, Indian Council of Agricultural Research
Panelists : Daggubati Purandeswari, Minister of State, HRD, Government of India
           Haven Ley, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
           Meera Shekar, World Bank
           Vicki Wilde, African Women in Agricultural Research and Development
           Bina Agarwal, University of Delhi
           Fatima Mossedaq, Institut Agronomique et Veterinaire Hassan, Morocco

18:30-20:00 : Cultural Program
20:00 : Reception Dinner

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012**

09.00-13.00 : **Parallel Sessions**

**Session I**

9.00-9.20 : Short Plenary
Convener : Ruth Meinzen-Dick, International Food Policy Research Institute
Facilitator : Jurgen Hagmann, PICOTEAM

An Overview of the Program for the Parallel Sessions and Expected Outcomes

9:30-13:00 : **Session 1.1 Assessing Women’s Empowerment in Agriculture**

[11:00-11:20 Tea/Coffee Break]

**Overarching Question**: What are women’s specific needs for empowerment in agriculture, such as access to resources, mechanization, household operations, capacity building, etc.

Chair : Mina Swaminathan, M S Swaminathan Research Foundation
Co-Chair : Beatriz Argimon, Gender Equity Specialist, Uruguay
Rapporteur : Lone Badstue, International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center
Speakers : Ruth Meinzen-Dick, International Food Policy Research Institute
           Mary Jane dela Cruz, Food and Agriculture Organization
           Cynthia Bantilan, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics
           Krishna Srinath, Directorate of Research on Women in Agriculture
Esther Penunia, Asian Farmers Association for Sustainable Development
Anna Crole-Rees, CRC4Change
Hanaa el Hilaly, Social Fund for Development, Egypt
Maureen Miruka, Kenya Agricultural Research Institute

9:30-13:00 : Session 1.2 Agricultural Innovations for Reducing Drudgery

[11:00-11:20 Tea/Coffee Break]

**Overarching Questions:** What solutions exist to reduce women’s drudgery relating to agricultural operations and household needs? (e.g. Rice transplanting, Alternative sources of fuel, etc.)

Chair : Idah Sithole-Niang, The Agricultural Technology Foundation (AARF, Kenya)
Co-Chair : ______________________
Rapporteur : Suman Singh, Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur
Speakers : Tahseen Jafry, Glasgow Caledonian University, UK
Kazutaka Kogi, Institute for Science of Labour, Japan
Kirit Patel, Canadian Mennonite University
Pitam Chandra, Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Bhopal
Anil K. Gupta, National Innovation Foundation, India
Ebba Augustin, CEO, SAANED, Jordan
Reema Nanavaty, Self Employed Womens Association, India
Rita Agboh-Noameshie, AricaRice

9:30-13:00 : Session 1.3. Linking Women to Markets

[11:00-11:20 Tea/Coffee Break]

**Overarching Questions:** What initiatives are in place to link effectively women to markets? What are the policy, institutional, infrastructural and financial constraints affecting agricultural diversity to enhance income?

Chair : Ganesan Balachander, CGIAR Board
Co-Chair : Maria Jose Sampaio, Brazilian Agriculture Research Corporation
Rapporteur : Suresh Pal, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, India
Speakers : Mahabub Hossain, Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee
Jemimah Njuki, International Livestock Research Institute
Mildred Crawford, Jamaica Network of Rural Women Producers, Jamaica
Margaret Odyek, Uganda National Farmers’ Federation, Uganda
Sally Baden, Oxfam International
Yvonne Pinto, Institute of Development Studies, Sussex
Malika Martini, ICARDA
Judith –Ann Francis, Senior Program Coordinator, Science & Technology Strategies (CTA)
Rekha Mehra, International Center for Research on Women
9:30-13:00 : **Session 1.4 Role of Women in Household Food and Nutrition Security**

**Overarching Questions:** What do we know about relationship between agricultural productivity, incomes, women’s time and knowledge in terms of impacts on nutrition? On household nutrition, what do we need to know better?

Chair : Meera Shekar, World Bank  
Co-Chair : Sheela Ramchandran, Avinashilingam University  
Rapporteur : Shashi Paroda, CCS Haryana Agricultural University  

Speakers :  
Ruth Oniango, Founder, Rural Outreach Program  
J.V. Meenakshi, Delhi School of Economics  
Ranjitha Puskur, WorldFish Center  
N.B. Yenagi, University of Agricultural Sciences Dharwad  
Emily Hillenbrand, Helen Keller International, USA  
Lynn Brown, World Food Program  
Joanna Kerr, ActionAid  
Rita Rani Raghuvanshi, Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture and Technology  
S.D. Kulkarni, Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering

9:30-13:00 : **Session 1.5 Access to Assets, Resources and Knowledge: Policies and Services**

**Overarching Questions:** What Policies to increase women’s access to land, water and agro-biodiversity? Policies and practices to improve access to finance? Policies and delivery systems to improve access to knowledge-extension?

Chair : ___________________________  
Co-Chair : Lourdes Adriano, Asian Development Bank  
Rapporteur : Premlata Singh, Indian Agricultural Research Institute  

Speakers :  
Eliane Najros, Food and Agriculture Organization  
Hema Swaminathan, Indian Institute of Management  
Ann Dela Apekey, Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa  
Priyanie Amerasinghe, International Water Management Institute  
Deena Ledger, LANDESA  
Regina Birner, Hohenheim University  
Virginia Cardenas, University of Philippines

9:30-13:00 : **Session 1.6 Climate Change Related Risks and Uncertainties: Their Impact**

**Overarching Questions:** What are the risk elements associated with rise in temperature, occurrence of draughts, floods etc. What uncertainties exist and how to overcome them? What strategy appropriate for women to adapt to climate change?

Chair : ___________________________
Co-Chair: B. Meena Kumari, Indian Council of Agricultural Research
Rapporteur: B.N. Sadangi, Central Rice Research Institute

Speakers:
- P.K. Aggarwal, Climate Change Agriculture and Food Security
- Thelma Paris, International Rice Research Institute
- Patti Kristjanson, Climate Change Agriculture and Food Security
- Nichola Shongwe, Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Policy Analysis Network
- Suman Sahai, Gene Campaign
- Tyhra Kumasi, AWARD Fellow
- Esther Mwangi, Center for International Forestry Research
- Ritu Verma, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development

13.00-14.00: Lunch

14.00-15.30: Session II

Recommendations of the Parallel Sessions followed by General Discussion

Chair: Monty Jones, Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa
Co-Chair: Su-San Chang, Council of Agriculture, Taiwan
Rapporteur: ______________________________

15:30-16:00: Tea/Coffee Break

16.00-17.30: Session III

Strengthening Capacity Building and Partnerships

Chair: Rita Sharma, National Advisory Council, GoI
Co-Chair: Simon Hearn, Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research
Rapporteur: K. Vijayaraghavan, Indian Agricultural Research Institute
Speakers:
- Sara Ahmed, International Development Research Center
- K.D. Kokate, Indian Council of Agricultural Research
- Irene Annor-Frempong, Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa
- Mark Holderness, Global Forum on Agricultural Research
- Cathy McGowan, Community Rural Consultant, Australia
- Laziza Gafurova, National University of Uzbekistan

17:30-19:30: Innovation Market Place/ Poster Presentation

Convenor: K.D. Kokate, Indian Council of Agricultural Research
Co-Convenor: N.N. Singh, Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences

Posters on success stories relating to LFM and other Conference Themes
(Selection Process will be in place to judge the Posters)
Reception Dinner will also be hosted at the Market Place
(Market Place will also be open for the whole day on Friday, March 15, 2012)
THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2012

Session IV

9:00-13:00 Need Assessment and Future Strategy

9:00-9:20 Briefing by Facilitator: Jurgen Hagmann, PICOTeam

(Working Group Discussions on Engendering Agricultural Research, Education and Extension)

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10:30-11:00: Tea/Coffee Break

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14:00-16:00 Session V

Towards More Effective Joint Action

What should we decide on priority and how to address them collectively?

Chair: Raj Paroda, Asia-Pacific Association of Agricultural Research Institutions
Co-Chair: Jo Luck, USAID
Facilitator: Jurgen Hagmann, PICOTeam
Panelists: Monty Jones, Global Forum on Agricultural Research
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           Haven Ley, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
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           Eija Pehu, World Bank
           Lourdes Adrian, Asian Development Bank
           S. Ayyappan, Indian Council of Agricultural Research

(Panelists to express their perceptions/views concerning Global Partnership Program for Women in Agriculture)

16:00-16:30: Tea/Coffee Break

16:30-17:30 Concluding Session

Presentation of Working Group Recommendations: Group Chairpersons/Rapporteurs
Remarks by Co-Chair: Raj Paroda, Asia-Pacific Association of Agricultural Research Institutions
Remarks by Chair, IOC: S. Ayyappan, Indian Council of Agricultural Research
Concluding Remarks by Chief Guest: M.S. Swaminathan, Member of Parliament
Vote of Thanks by Chair, NOC: K.D. Kokate, Indian Council of Agricultural Research

Note: Invitations have been sent to all those listed in the program. Confirmations are being received.