

Partnering principles



Communication

ILRI will engage with partners in an inclusive manner, communicating at optimal intervals to maintain energy levels, commitment and a sense of connection.



Accountability

ILRI will review support the development of partnership management capacity and individual staff will engage transparently with partners, conducting regular partnership health checks.



Respect

ILRI staff will approach partners with mutual respect, curiosity and willingness to learn. Power imbalances and cultural differences will be clarified at the outset and part of the ongoing partnership discussion.



Efficiency

When entering into a partnership, both ILRI and the potential partner will identify clearly their shared values and expected mutual benefits to articulate evidence of synergy.



Synergy

Responsibilities and tasks within the partnership will be shared to ensure a balance of equity and efficiency, with each partner working to their own individual and organisational strengths.



“The difference between a partnership and a project is that you don’t just want to change the world around you, in a partnership you also have to be prepared to change yourself.”

Svensson & Nilson, 2008

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