



Dairy entrepreneur John N'gasha, reviewing dairy records with Lilian Kimachas from the Ministry of Agriculture; (photo credit: G. Smith)



GENDER EQUALITY, YOUTH & SOCIAL INCLUSION

Gender and Sustainable Land Management

Context

- Sustainable land management (SLM) interventions tend to focus on technical approaches and practices but have important, often gendered, social outcomes
- Gender and socially differentiated approaches must be integrated into SLM to avoid adverse outcomes and support gender equitable outcomes across the CRP

Our innovative approach

- An ILRI Discussion paper entitled “A review of gender and sustainable land management: implications for research and development” was published
- The paper is based on a review and interviews with experts that analyze how well gender is integrated in five topics: conservation tillage, fodder production, manure management, water management and agroforestry

- Significant knowledge gaps related to gender and SLM exist and highlight new research frontiers that must focus on understanding interactions of gender, livestock and environmental change
- Gender research approaches that generate evidence will inform technical interventions and support socially equitable outcomes



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Lilian Satia, dairy entrepreneur and employee at milk bar; Photo G. Smith/ILRI



Samuel Ndung'u, a dairy farmer in Kiambu County Photo G. Smith/ILRI

Outcomes

- Socially differentiated approaches have been integrated in projects in Kenya and are planned in future research projects in Ethiopia.
- Completed (2019):

Identify young women and men's opportunity spaces in Kenya's intensifying dairy sector (CCAFS)

- Planned research (2020):

Understand youth's climate adaptation strategies (CCAFS, Kenya)

Investigate gender dimensions of technology adoption and scaling (Africa RISING, Ethiopia)

Explore social equity implications of low emission dairy intensification (CCAFS, Ethiopia)

Future steps

- Socially equitable solutions will be expanded through research projects and support scaling measures with East African pastoralists:
 - Index based livestock insurance
 - Participatory rangeland management

Partners



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