

# TH0.3: Introducing the CGIAR GENDER Impact Platform mandate to amplify global voice and engagement

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# Introduction



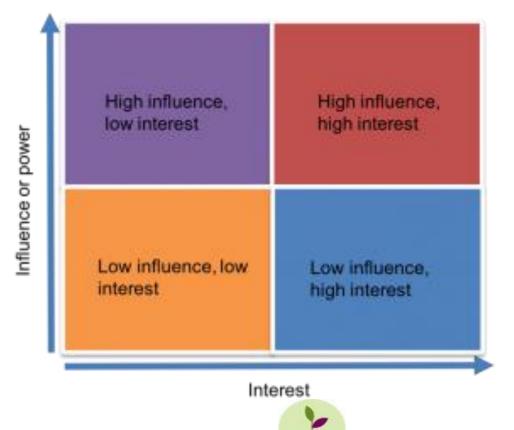




 Engagement: process by which decision-makers and other stakeholders (including scientists) influence how and what decisions are made (LSE,

2020)

The starting point:
Stakeholder Mapping



# Why engage outwards?

- Least understood Capacity issues
- Dominated by activists; Advocacy should be evidence based
- Under-researched and possibly underfunded
- Others?









# Why engage?

Evidence informed policy making –
 to lift millions out of poverty



- Deliver impact
- Donors return on investment

"There can be no impact in our development programs if we continue our interventions while ignoring half the population" Patricia Espinosa, Former UN Climate Chief, June 2022



How should we do it?

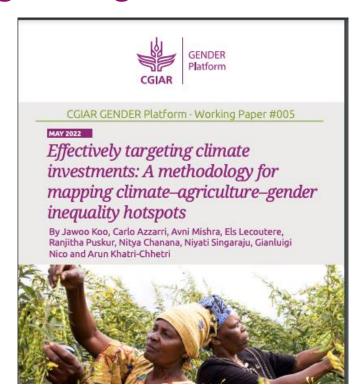


Sonja Vermeulen and Bruce Campbell

# What have we done so far?

# **#1: Navigate towards specific points of leverage**

- Areas where a small intervention can lead to large changes

















# Expert Consultation on Measuring Gender Transformative Change in the context of Food Security, Nutrition and Sustainable Agriculture

Concept Note and Agenda

15-16 June 2022 - 13:00-17:00 (CEST)



# 10 year update of the FAO SOFA 2010 -2011 Expert Consultation

Updating the FAO 2011 State of Food and Agriculture (SOFA) report: Evolution of gender in food systems

on session code
Thu, Oct 13 2022, 3:30 - 4:45pm Thurs 3.3



### #2: Allocate resources in three thirds

- Research (generate the science), engage next users, build capacity of next users to take up research (capacity building)
- Can be time consuming/ costly
- Takes working with personnel at gender ministries, focal points in global processes such as UNFCCC, CSW, CFS among others

















Submit a Case Study of Gender in Crop Breeding

## #3: Join in external processes

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 Build on existing processes rather than creating new ones; Engage early but have clear goals

#### Value4Her

Venue: MH2a | Chair: Women in Agriculture TP

Time: September 8, 14:30-16:30 Kigali time

# Presenting new evidence on women, climate adaptation and nutrition

Dr. Suzan Kaaria, Director, AWARD

Dr. Nicoline de Haan, Platform Director, CGIAR GENDER Platform

Dr. Tony Simons, Executive Director, CIFOR-ICRAF



















# Side event: Reaching women farmers with climate resilience strategies in Africa and Asia

November 11, 11:00-12:30

This side event will explore gender-responsive approaches and solutions to growing climate resilience in complex situations.



# #5: Sustain co-learning throughout policy engagement and implementation



FAO, IFPRI and CGIAR GENDER Platform

- Webinars
- Learning agenda's etc

## #6: Tackle issues of power and influence

Champions: Some people have access; you don't. Utilise them but avail the messaging and resources; clear crisp messaging; media – journalists *CGIAR and non-CGIAR – The call to go* 



# **#7: Invest in and monitor capacity enhancement**

#8: Mainstream higher level goals e.g. Food systems summit, the SDGs

Food crisis response

**#9: Create mechanisms for internal learning** 



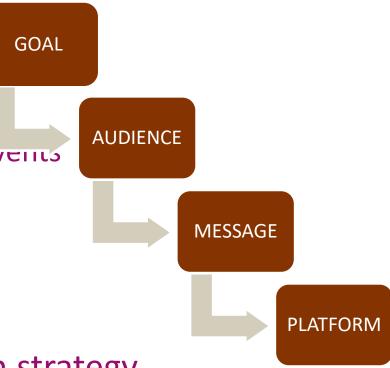






## #10: Communicate strategically and actively

- Most part led by Strategic Communications and Content (Marianne)
- Assets of the CGIAR GENDER Impact platform:
  - GENDER resource hub
  - GENDER bi-monthly <u>newsletters</u>
  - GENDER international day campaigns and targeted events
  - GENDER webinar series
  - GENDER working papers/Evidence explainers
  - GENDER <u>annual conference</u>
  - GENDER on social media facebook; twitter
- Targeted communication; robust communication strategy
  - Message grid is key
  - Some tools: Traditional media (Op Ed), social media, newsletters, blogs, and websites, publications (policy briefs, evidence explainers), webinars and annual conference







# OPINION: How COP27 can deliver climate justice for rural women

by Nicoline de Haan | @ncdehaan | CGIAR Tuesday, 8 March 2022 00:05 GMT





# **Conclusion**

- Not a one-off process/ engagement
- Follow through at country/ regional/ international level
- Principles reinforce each other. No one strategy works better than another
- Learning continues so monitor progress, make amendments
- Never give up it takes time!









## Resources

- Mulema AA, Cramer L, Huyer S. 2021. Stakeholder engagement in gender and climate change policy processes: Lessons from CCAFS.
   CCAFS Working Paper no. 349. Wageningen, the Netherlands: CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS).
- https://www.heatproject.eu/articles/stakeholder-mapping-foradvocacy-campaigns/

