

Group work on challenges

Partnership group

1. Underlying issues?

- **Coordination among centers**
- Role and involvement of the national counterpart
- Integration
- Resource (Funding)
- Lack of strategies on how to get partners together
- Differentiate categories of farmers typologies
- Representativeness
- Effectiveness in communication between us and the partners

2. What do we really want to achieve with partnerships: what type of partnership we are looking for?

- Impact pathway
- Livelihood
- Enhance system research
- Improve the science quality
- Integration of activities on the ground
- Better target of technologies of intervention

Categories of partners

- Large spectrum of partners
 - Research partners (NARS, ARIs)
 - Policy makers
 - Development partners (FAO, IFAD, WB, BMGF...)
 - Delivery partners (extension service, agribusiness, services provider, private sector...)
 - Clients we are serving

Need to allocate their role along the impact pathway!

3. How to develop effective and efficient partnerships for scaling? Strategies and principles (1)

- Empower the partners to participate and have influence in the decision making
- Partnership identified based on clear societal need
- Definition of responsibility for different partners
- Trust in partnership and common shared goals and values
- Identification by all partners of the project plan (ownership)

3. How to develop effective and efficient partnerships for scaling? Strategies and principles (2)

Strategies

- Credibility and transparency
- Mutual respect
- Equality
- Accountability

Principles

- IP issues need to be addressed at earlier stage
- Partner should fit for purpose and have incentive to participate
- Capacity to deliver (complementarity)

4. What needs to change in the CRP to enable such partnership

- More attention to SRT1 on partnership and innovation
- Engagement with regional policies on agricultural research and development
- Attitude of CG centers towards the partners and vice versa
- Sufficient funding to partners
- Clarify the role of different partners for budget allocation