MEL
monitoring evaluation and learning

Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) is multi-center and multi-CRP online platform for integrated management, monitoring, and reporting of projects, from planning to budgeting, risks' assessment, knowledge sharing and more.

Its modular structure allows the implementers to customize the platform and re-shape it to meet their specific needs.

The platform comes with an integrated Open Access repository that boosts the projects outreach.

MEL safeguards intellectual property and provides full credit to the authors of knowledge reported, making use of international metadata standards such as Dublin Core.

MEL is the result of the synergic efforts by CGIAR Research Program on Dryland Systems (CRP-DS), CGIAR Research Program on Roots, Tubers and Bananas (CRP-RTB), CGIAR Research Program on Dryland Cereals (CRP-DC), CGIAR Research Program on Grain Legumes (CRP-GL), The International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA), The International Potato Center (CIP), The World Agroforestry Center (ICRAF), ICARDA Geoinformatics Unit (GIS), and is powered by iMMAP, Codeobia, D-Space and Amazon Web Services.

Why is MEL Needed?

Time saving

MEL allows to save resources and time, reducing paperwork, facilitating administrative steps, quickening project related communications and enabling near real-time data collecting to inform decision-making.

Clear and efficient

The range of actions available on MEL covers all operations from the creation of a personal account to the management of a complex framework such as a CGIAR Research Program (CRP). Access to these features is well defined by Administrators, Coordinators, Managers, and Responsibles. The users will only see and handle what has been assigned to them, unless provided with more extensive rights.

User friendly

Carved in the system is the Knowledge Share toolset, which includes an internal discussion forum, a technical assistance chat, project dedicated web-pages, and a communication-friendly module to write and disseminate project related blog stories.

Full interoperabile

The platform has been aligned with HR management, internal finance and internal sharing systems (e.g. One Corporate System – OCS, SharePoint).

Who benefits from MEL?

All Kind of Research and Development Institutions

MEL creates synergy between research and development partners, bridging competences in a results-oriented platform.

CGIAR Research Programs and Centers

MEL holds a flexible structure that can be tuned with impact pathways and results frameworks used by CGIAR and donors.

Programs and Projects Managers and Coordinators

The MEL platform is designed for project/program managers within organization to facilitate and automate technical/program implementation and financial processes, thereby enabling timely and informed decision making, transparent reporting to donors and reduction in administrative time and costs.
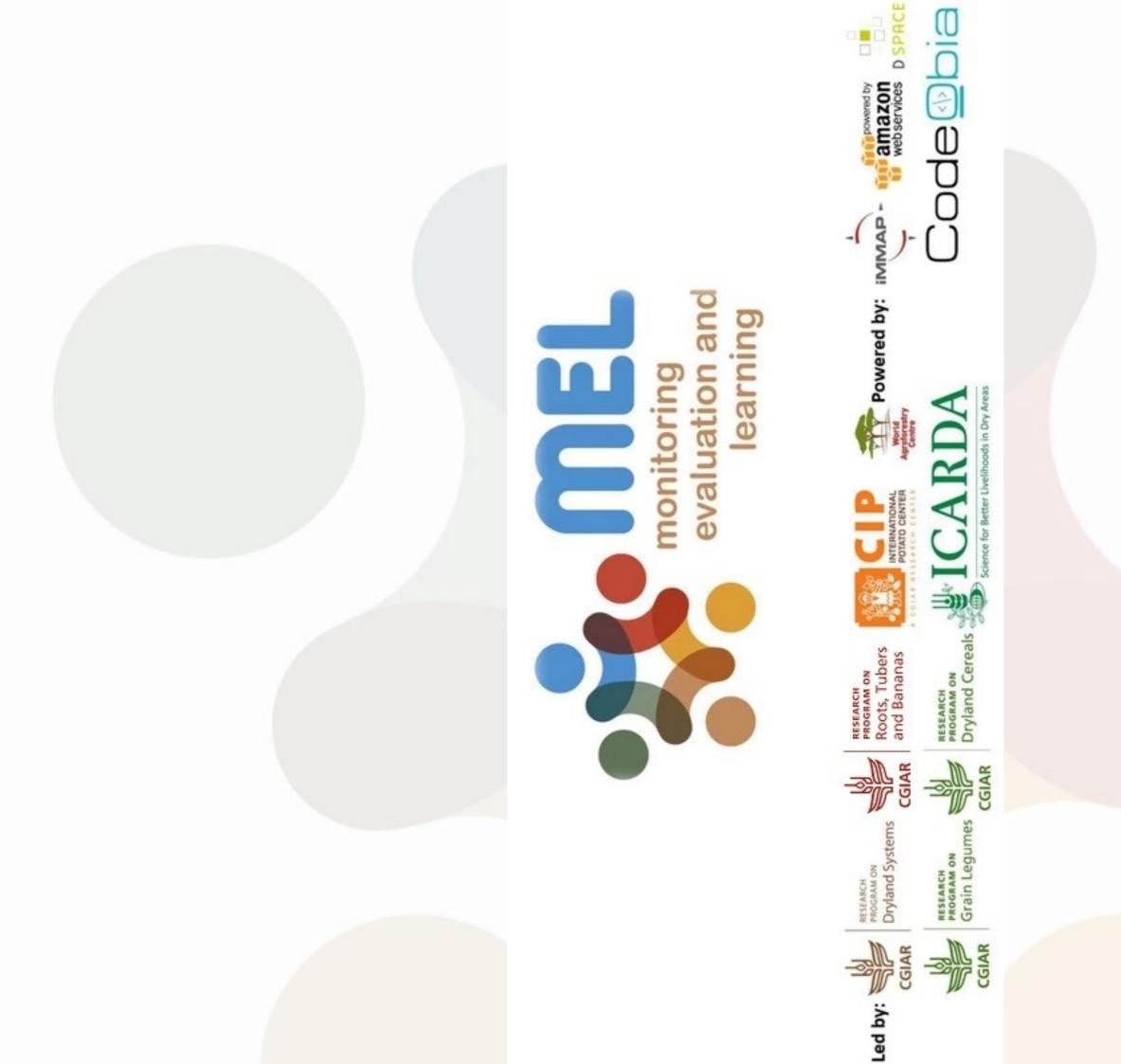
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Scientists, Flagship/Cluster/Output Leaders and Co-Leaders, CRPs Admins and Directors, Center DGs and DDGs, Communication/Capacity Development/ Gender/Intellectual Property/Geoinformatics and Data/Finance Focal Points.

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