

## Welcome to ICARDA



International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas

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## ICARDA is a **Decentralized R4D** International Center on **Dryland Agriculture** combining **Component** Research and **Systems** Research

6 Research Platforms5 Thematic Platforms3 Integrated Research Programs



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# Non tropical dryland agriculture is our mandate Major research platforms





Terbol (Lebanon)



Amlaha (India)



Tel Hadya (Syria )





Izmir (Turkey)

#### Wad Medani (Sudan)



#### Fanaye (Senegal)



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ICARDA's Strategic Plan 2017-2026



**Adaptation to Climate Change** 

**Building resilience** 



Promoting value chains, policies



Enhancing water and land productivity





Gender equality and youth engagement



Capacity Development



**Big data and ICR** 

Non tropical dryland agriculture is our mandate New ICARDA Strategy 2017-2026





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## Component research to improve food security under climate change



#### **Global mandate**

Barley, lentil, faba bean, grass pea and small ruminants, and shares the mandate for wheat and chickpea icarda.org 6

#### **ICARDA** operates within 4 centers of origin and diversity





### Main activities on genetic resources conservation at ICARDA

- Enriching genebank holdings with new accessions collected or acquired from partners;
- Applying best practices for characterization, multiplication/ regeneration, documentation and conservation of plant and rhizobium genetic resources;
- Development of Focused Identification of Germplasm Strategy (FIGS) for efficient sub-setting of genetic resources;
- Contribution to utilization of genetic resources through their evaluation for prevailing biotic and abiotic stresses and quality attributes and to pre-breeding activities;
- Contribution to scientific basis and development of approaches for promoting *in situ*/on-farm conservation of dryland agrobiodiversity;
- Providing training and technical backstopping on all areas related to conservation and use of agrobiodiversity;
- Contribution to regional and global efforts on conservation and sustainable use of agrobiodiversity.











### Gap analysis

Collection Conservation Documentation FIGS analysis Identify useful traits **Pre-breeding** 

Transfer useful genes to elite germplasm

Wide crosses

