

GFAR THEORY OF CHANGE





This document outlines the **GFAR Theory of Change**.

The outcomes GFAR wants to contribute to are: more interconnected agri-food R&I systems, more inclusive governance of R&I programs, empowered small-scale producers' associations and MSMEs, mutual accountability and collective learning between stakeholders. The foreseen intermediate impact is on the one hand more diverse, inclusive, participatory and accountable agri-food research and innovation systems, leading to enhanced capacity to deliver context-specific, sustainable, accessible and easily adoptable solutions; and on the other hand mall-scale producers and MSMEs empowered to play a meaningful role as key actors and co-innovators in the transformation of agri-food R&I systems.

The desired final impact is more **inclusive, transparent, accountable, efficient, and resilient** agri-food systems towards achieving sustainable development goals.





FROM OUTCOMES TO IMPACT

OUTCOMES

IMPACT EFFECT

IMPACT

INTERMEDIATE

and transformed -Strengthened

landscapes, better aligned on agreed

better identified innovation

Agri-food R&I systems across the globe are more interconnected in for generating context-specific pro-

poor solutions.

capacities to effectively cooperate

priorities and strengthened in their

more diverse, inclusive,

accountable - agri-food participatory and

research and innovation processes and systems capacity of innovation leading to enhanced to deliver context-

Governance of R&I programs is more

inclusive, enabling marginalizec

actors to participate meaningfully in

priority setting and allocation of

unding to R&I programs.

accessible and easily

speci ic, sustainable,

and MSMEs, particularly Small-scale producers meaningful role as key women and youth, are empowered to play a innovators in the transformation actors and co-

More inclusive,

towards achieving

development

goals.

sustainable

food systems

resilient agri-

efficient and

accountable,

transparent,

adoptable solutions

empowered to play a meaningful role

the transformation of agri-food R&I

systems, to better negotiate their

as key actors and co-innovators in

own agricultural futures in relevant

contexts.

Small-scale producers and MSMEs,

particularly women and youth, are

of agri-food R&I systems.

systems are enhanced, contributing to their effectiveness, and to the transparency and trust between stakeholders in agri-food R&I collective learning between Mutual accountability and <u>pa</u>rtners.







SHORT NARRATIVE

GFAR, through Collective Actions (CAs) and Partnership Principles (PPs), aims to empower Small Scale Producers (SSP) as key actors in the pro-poor transformation of agri-food Research & Innovation (R&I) systems, at the same time making said systems more inclusive, participatory and accountable, towards more inclusive, efficient and resilient agri-food systems and the achievement of the SDGs – in particular addressing climate change, food and nutritional security, sustainable agriculture intensification and poverty reduction whilst conserving environmental resources.

GFAR fosters dialogue among all stakeholders in agricultural research and rural development, breaking down institutional barriers, supporting stakeholder learning and innovating together by mobilizing knowledge from different sources for better connected, more inclusive and strengthened R&I systems that will generate and ensure broad access to and wide-spread use of context-specific, sustainable and systemic solutions.

Colors mark the relevant **impact pathway**:



Impact pathway 1: towards better connected and more diverse agri-food R&I systems generating contextspecific solutions



Impact pathway 2: towards more inclusive governance of agri-food R&I systems enabling participation of marginalized actors



Impact pathway 3: towards empowerment of SSPs and MSMEs as co-innovators in the transformation of agri-food R&I systems

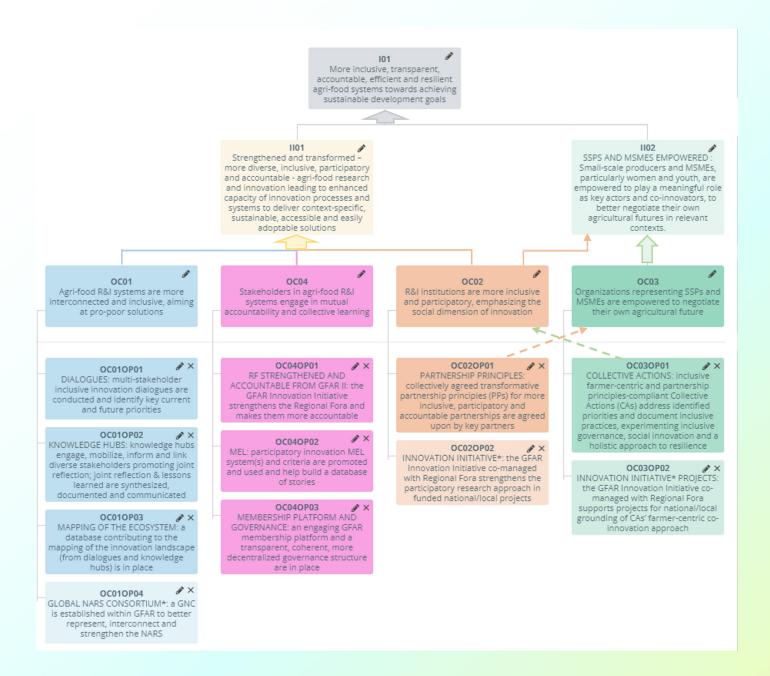


Impact pathway 4: towards mutual accountability and collective learning among stakeholders in agrifood R&I systems





GFAR THEORY OF CHANGE - DIAGRAM



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