

AICCRA Gender and Social Inclusion Influences USAID \$150bn Climate Funding

SECTION 1: At a glance

Short outcome/impact statement

AICCRA's Gender and Social Inclusion team had significant influence on the gender and inclusion recommendations to the USAID Board for International Food and Agriculture Development through membership on the BIFAD subcommittee Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation in Agriculture, Food, and Nutrition Systems. USAID issued a positive response to the report, noting its intention to "embrace the opportunities presented by these recommendations", as part of its commitment to mobilize \$150 billion in public and private finance for climate by 2030.

Geographic location



Scope: Regional
Country(ies): Not specified
Region(s): Latin America & the Caribbean; South-Eastern Asia; Northern Africa; Southern Asia; Sub-Saharan Africa

General Information



OICR code
3615



Status
Completed



Tag as
Updated OICR (New level of maturity)



Report year
2024



Cluster lead
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Level of maturity
Level 3 - (sphere of interest) Policy and/or practice changes influenced by CGIAR research (and related activities) has led to impacts at scale or beyond the direct CGIAR sphere of influence. Example of evidence: ex-post Impact Assessment

Other Clusters contributing

Key contributors

Category	Name	Type	Headquarter
Not information provided			

Note: These are the partners who have significantly contributed to the reported outcome or impact.

SECTION 2: The story and impact

Elaboration of outcome/impact statement

The subcommittee for Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation in Agriculture, Food, and Nutrition Systems of the USAID Board for International Food and Agriculture Development (BIFAD) developed a report "Operationalizing USAID's Climate Strategy to Achieve Transformative Adaptation and Mitigation in Agricultural and Food Systems", released in November 2023. AICCRA's Gender and Social Inclusion team helped shape the recommendations on gender and inclusion. The report targets the achievement of transformative climate change results across USAID agricultural and food system investments to reach 2030 climate goals. USAID has committed to mobilize \$150bn in public and private sector funding for climate.

AICCRA's GSI team provided leadership in shaping the first "Leverage Point" for USAID climate goals, "Empower Women, Youth, and Other Underrepresented Groups to Drive Locally Led, Climate-Resilient Agrifood Systems". The section explicitly refers to the CGIAR model of gender and equality in the context of climate and agriculture in "Expanding Opportunities: Scaling up gender and social inclusion in Climate-Resilient Agriculture. An equality and empowerment approach" by Huyer et al, (2021a) to highlight four aspects for USAID programming with under-represented groups: 1) participation in decision-making at different levels; 2) work burden; 3) access to and use of productive resources; and 4) collective action (see p. 20 of the report).

The report also notes that broadening the ability to take climate change adaptation and mitigation actions in global agrifood systems requires that women, youth, Indigenous communities, and other underrepresented groups have access to and agency over resources (e.g., finance, land and natural resources, technology, and information) and can participate meaningfully in decision-making and leadership. For this statement it references "From vulnerability to agency in climate adaptation and mitigation" (Huyer et al, 2020) (p. 20 of the report). 10 major CGIAR climate publications are cited based on inputs from AICCRA.

In October 2024, USAID issued a response to the report stating that the report recommendations "provide crucial inroads for our Agency to address one of the most pressing challenges our world faces today more effectively". It also committed to "investing resources in high-potential leverage points" including for specific activities under the Leverage Point on Empower Women, Youth, and Other Underrepresented Groups, in the context of its Climate Strategy commitment to mobilize \$150 billion from public and private sources for climate adaptation and mitigation by 2030.

CGIAR innovation(s) or findings that have resulted in this outcome or impact:

CGIAR findings that influenced these impacts include: Huyer, S., Bullock, R., Buzingo, J., Chanana, N., Firmian, I., Healy-Thow, S., Karakolis, D., Mugo, V., Mungai, C., Radeny, M., Recha, J., Salawu, A., Sargeant, S., & Vertegaal, D. M. (2023). Organising for Change: Empowerment for Farmers, Women, Youth, and Communities. In A. M. Loboguerrero, A. Nowak, B. Campbell, D. Dinesh, & P. Thornton (Eds.), Transforming Food Systems Under Climate Change through Innovation (pp. 144–155). Cambridge University Press.Huyer, S., Simelton, E., Chanana, N., Mulema, A. A., & Marty, E. (2021). Expanding Opportunities: A Framework for Gender and Socially-Inclusive Climate Resilient Agriculture. Frontiers in Climate, 3. https://doi.org/10.3389/fclim.2021.718240 Huyer, S., Gumucio, T., Tavenner, K., Acosta, M., Chanana, N., Khatri-Chhetri, A., Mungai, C., Ouedraogo, M., Otieno, G., Radeny, M., Recha, J., & Simelton, E. (2021). From vulnerability to agency in climate adaptation and mitigation. In R. Pyburn & A. Van Eerdewijk (Eds.), Advancing gender equality through agricultural and environmental research: past, present and future. (pp. 261–294). IFPRI. https://doi.org/10.2499/9780896293915_07 Steiner A, Aguilar G, Bomba K, Bonilla JP, Campbell A, Echeverria R, Gandhi R, Hedegaard C, Holdorf D, Ishii N, Quinn K, Ruter B, Sunga I, Sukhdev P, Verghese S, Voegelé J, Winters P, Campbell B, Dinesh D, Huyer S, Jarvis A, Loboguerrero Rodriguez AM, Millan A, Thornton P, Wollenberg L, Zebiak S. 2020. Actions to transform food systems under climate change. Wageningen, The Netherlands: CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change.

Innovations:

Code	Title	PDF
No information provided		

Link to performance indicators

Not list items available

SECTION 3: Evidence and communications

Evidence and reference

Not list items available

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Quantification

Not list items available

Type	Number	Unit	Comments
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Communications

Communications materials relating to this outcome:

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SECTION 4: Alignment with other initiatives

Cross-cutting markers

<div> Gender score</div>	<div> Youth score</div>	<div> CapDev score</div>	<div> Climate change score</div>
2 - Principal study.achievementsGenderRelevance.readText: Inputs to the BIFAD subcommittee on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation influenced the leverage point on “Empower Women, Youth, and Other Underrepresented Groups to Drive Locally Led, Climate-Resilient Agrifood Systems” for transformative shifts in agri-food systems. 	1 - Significant study.achievementsYouthRelevance.readText: Inputs to the BIFAD subcommittee on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation influenced the leverage point on “Empower Women, Youth, and Other Underrepresented Groups to Drive Locally Led, Climate-Resilient Agrifood Systems” for transformative shifts in agri-food systems.	0 - Not Targeted	2 - Principal Describe main achievements with specific Climate Change relevance: Both reports focused on approaches and priorities to address and mitigate climate change.

0 = Not targeted: The result did not target any of the Impact Area objectives.
1 = Significant: The result has made a significant contribution to any of the Impact Area objectives, even though the objective(s) is not the principal focus of the result.
2 = Principal: The result is principally about meeting any of the Impact Area objectives, and this is fundamental in its design and expected results. The result would not have been undertaken without this objective.

Other cross-cutting dimensions

Not Required, Other cross-cutting dimensions

One CGIAR alignment

Link to Impact Areas and Global Targets:

<div> Nutrition, health and food security</div>	Not specified
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