

**Date: August 31, 2020** 

IRB application approval number: DSGD-20-0829

IRB #00007490 FWA #00005121

Project title: Demand and supply factors constraining the emergence and sustainability of

an efficient seed system in Uganda

**Division:** DSGD

PI: Bjorn Van Campenhout Country of study: Uganda

Date of IRB approval: 8/31/2020

Dear Dr. Van Campenhout,

The IRB has approved your protocol submission to conduct the research activity named, **Demand and supply factors constraining the emergence and sustainability of an efficient seed system in Uganda for three months.** This study meets the criteria for expedited review procedures as set forth in the code of federal regulations (45 CFR 46.110 Category 7) and presents no more than minimal risks to human subjects. The study involves an interaction utilizing interview and or survey techniques to accomplish study goals and objectives. Proper consent requirements have also been met. Furthermore, the IRB is requesting that any other IRB approval(s) is forwarded to IFPRI-IRB after they have been obtained. The IRB request copies of any other approvals that involves this study. The IRB will file all documents related to this study under the project number listed above. The IRB notes this study is funded by the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research 2019/WOTRO/o06097955.

This approval is valid until the study's completion. There is no expiration date. According to our policies and procedures the IRB will require periodic progress reports to ensure that the study is being conducted according to study procedures. In addition, in accordance with IRB policies and procedures all studies are subject to possible random selection for quality assurance audits by the IRB. The next progress report for this study is due on November 30, 2020. Should any changes become necessary (i.e. procedures, methodologies) or be made or added to this study, you must immediately notify the IRB. No activity should commence without IRB modification approval. When the study is completed you are required to submit a final report. The form is available on our website.

As a reminder the IRB requires that all staff directly working with human subjects in research complete IFPRI'S CITI ethics training course. This letter indicates that the project complies with the IFPRI IRB's ethical guidelines and is subject to all of IFPRI's policies and procedures

governing research with human subjects. In cases where local approval is needed, it is the responsibility of the researcher to obtain this approval and comply with local guidelines. Please keep the IRB advised of this.

We wish you all the best in your research efforts. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Olivette Burton, IFPRI IRB Coordinator via phone or the email address copied on this correspondence.

Sincerely,

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