CCRP Principles

C – Principles of Collaboration · Operational Principles

INCLUSION
Convene multiple and diverse stakeholders to inform deliberations at all levels and locations of decision-making

GENUINE COLLABORATION
Ensure *authentic* collaborative engagement

Reciprocity: Build trust based on shared interests & honest interactions
Mutuality: Negotiate win-win agreements
Realistic engagement: Start where people are.
Nudge: Generate movement

C - Principles of Crop and other agricultural systems · Operational Principles

AEI
Apply agroecology concepts, knowledge & principles (AEI)

CONTEXTUALIZATION
Conduct contextual analysis

- Frame needs, diagnosis, the CCRP response, pathways of change, outcomes & scaling potential through the lens of AEI and options by context analysis.
- Value heterogeneity: Build on & enhance diversity
- Include multi-dimensional outcomes
- Enhance resilience & sustainability
- Look for intersections and interactions among multiple, interrelated pathways of change (e.g., soil health and plant breeding)
- Take an integrated long-term perspective while producing short- and medium term results (e.g., Quinoa #1, #2, # 3)

R – Principles of Research · Operational Principles

FARMER-RESEARCHER CO-CREATION
Engage farmers as partners to ensure relevance, use of research processes & results

RESEARCH FOR AEI IMPACT
Design and implement research to achieve impact (generating options by context for improving crop systems).

- Enhance quality through capacity building
- Integrate local & global research
- Link social & technical inquiry
- Integrate farmer knowledge into the research.
- Incentivize, support & reinforce farmer participation to ensure responsiveness to farmers' needs, knowledge, problems, concerns & constraints.
- *Make the research process empowering*: Build social, technical, and methodological capital through the farmer-researcher co-creation process.
- Phased and emergent design & implementation
- Be utilization-focused: Never collect data without purpose
- Ensure two-way flow of communications between farmers & researchers
- Secure data for access, aggregation, and future use locally & globally.

P – Principles of Program · Operational Principles

VALUES COHERENCE
Ensure that CCRP work is ethical and grounded in core values.

SYSTEMIC COHERENCE
Ensure that diverse levels, elements, dimensions & locations of CCRP are interconnected.

Values Coherence
- Clarify, reinforce, and incorporate core values: equity, gender, human rights & ethical interactions
- Keep the focus on smallholder, marginalized famers
- Ensure respect for indigenous culture & knowledge
- Empower
- Avoid doing harm
- Protect those at risk (be defensive when needed)

Systemic Coherence
- Integrate theory and practice
- Reinforce systems & complexity thinking throughout
- Integrate M&E
- Reflective practice, using the adaptive cycle
- Connect levels, pathways, regions, outcomes
- Connect CCRP to other development institutions & initiatives
- Ensure use of the Theory of Change
- Mutual accountability
- Administrative efficiency
- Effective stewardship & investment of scare resources.
- Economies of scale in programming
- Model of principles-focused collaborative development