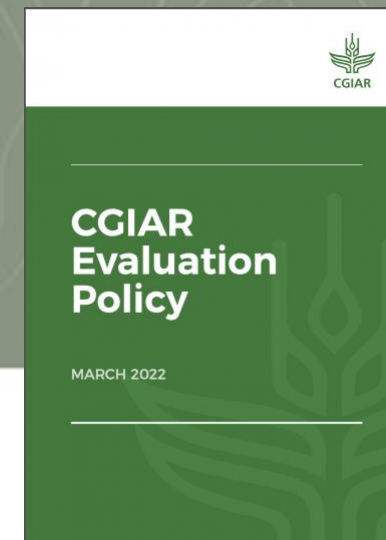
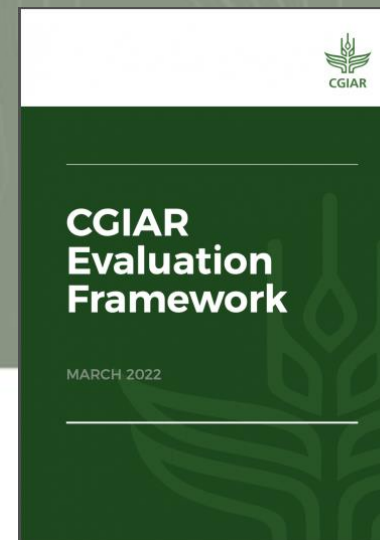


CGIAR Evaluation Policy implementation and IAES – ISDC –SPIA 2023 plan overview

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CGIAR Evaluation Framework and Policy



In February 2022, the CGIAR System Board (23rd Session) and System Council (15th Meeting) approved the CGIAR Evaluation Framework and Evaluation Policy. The two documents apply to CGIAR as an operating entity: CGIAR System Organization/ all the organizational business units under One CGIAR, and all CGIAR Centers.

Three-Line Assurance Model

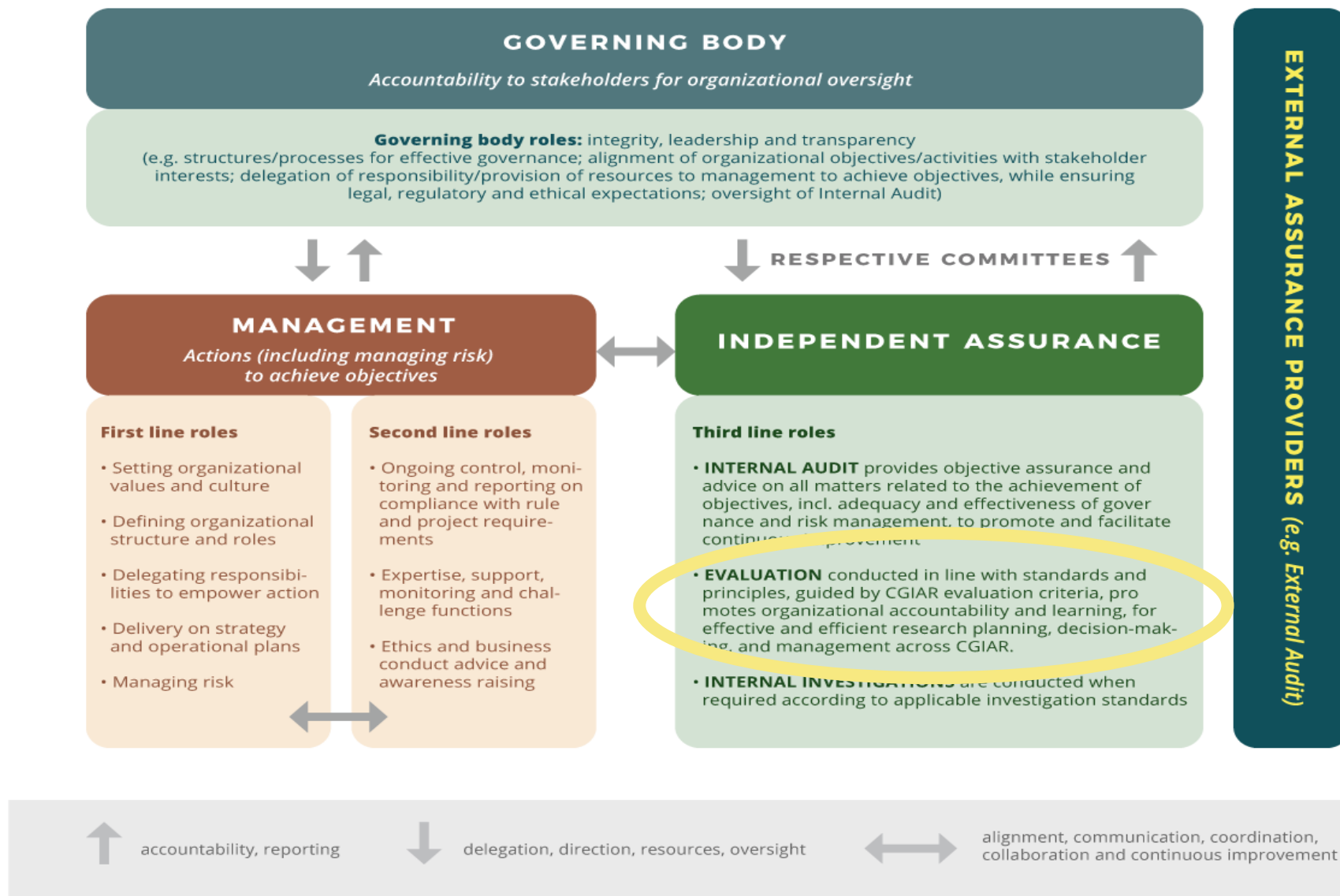


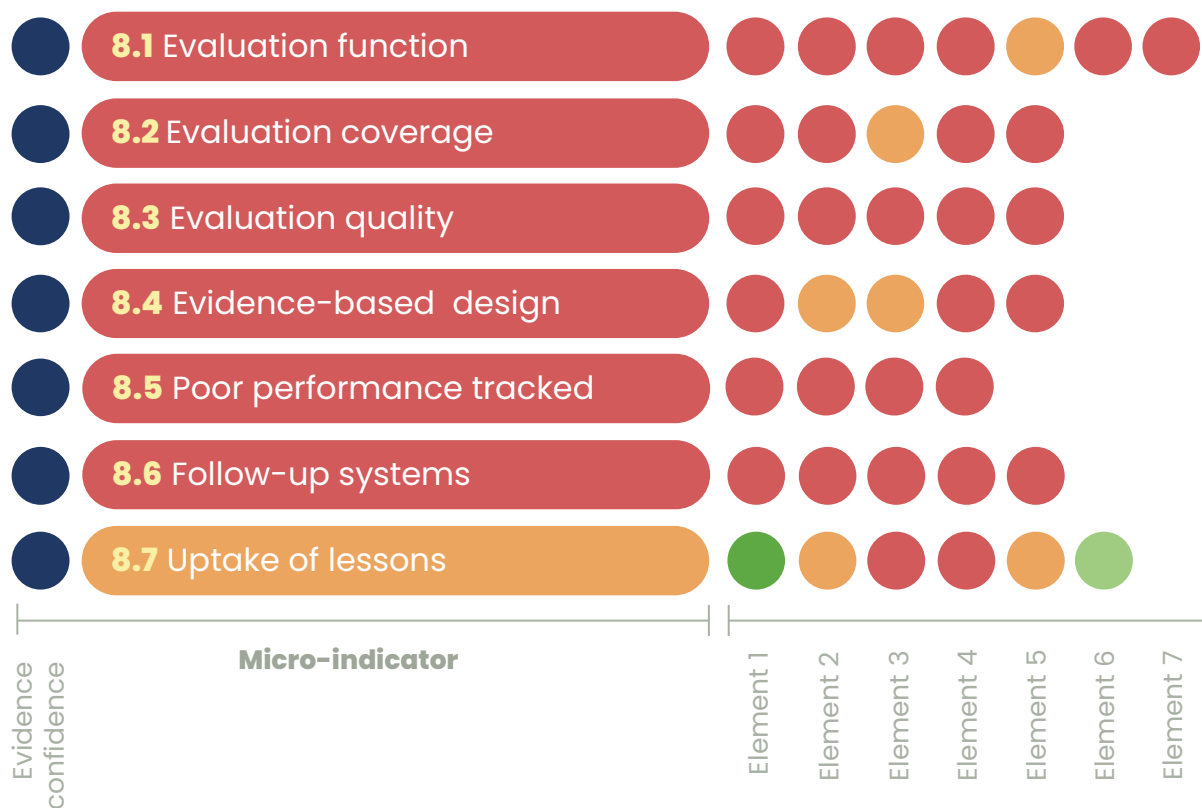
Figure 3: CGIAR Evaluation Policy 2022



KPI 8: Evidence-based planning



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For approval: 2023 plan

Pre-read: 2023 Annual Workplan Budget for
System Council Reconfirmation

Reference: approved [3-Y plan](#)

Submitted at SC15 and covering 3-year period of ISDC, SPIA,
CAS/Evaluation and underpinning operational support

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Commissioned studies and papers –
foresight/megatrends
special journal issue -- innovation



Science for Development Forum –
build from TropAg symposium
tandem with SC meeting Nov 2023



ISDC advisory products –
make advice more accessible



Initiative development and execution
as requested by System Council
reviews of, e.g., Platform proposals (TBD)



**ISDC meetings & System Council
Consultations –**
geared towards developing advice
pertinent to One CGIAR



One CGIAR support –
advice provided for arising needs

SPIA



Standing
Panel on
Impact
Assessment



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Support to CGIAR initiatives

– Light touch follow up to facilitate matchmaking with academic researchers to design rigorous impact assessments



Completion of SPIA studies portfolio

– of accountability, learning & methods development studies and continue facilitating partnerships with external IA researchers



Independent evidence of reach

– of CGIAR innovations and policy influence in Uganda and update existing evidence for Ethiopia



Strengthen impact assessment in CGIAR

– Activities/events to support early career IA researchers and to facilitate the use of IA rigorous evidence



Dissemination of independent evidence

– rigorous evidence of CGIAR impacts from current SPIA portfolio to speak to One CGIAR research agenda



Guidance on new methods and metrics

– to improve the documentation of reach and impacts of CGIAR innovations and policy engagement at national level

IAES/Evaluation



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Ongoing from 2022

Complete monitoring system study
GENDER Platform evaluation +
GDI Evaluation guideline
Quality Assurance to 2022 outcome study



Process and Performance Evaluation

Evaluate Genebank Platform 2017-21
Prepare for 2024: Evaluability Assessments
to narrow to ten 2024 initiative evaluations



Thematic evaluative activity

Support targeted learning through real-time
evaluative engagement on:

- Discrete learning questions related to management and governance topics (e.g., managing change)
- Evaluative engagement on GDI (n.b., joint activity with Internal Audit)



2. Standards, guidance & capacities

Guidelines to complete and roll out to support CGIAR
Evaluation policy and framework:
GDI | Management Engagement and Response
Evaluability Assessment | QoR4D applied to
process and performance evaluation



3. Engaging with One CGIAR

Deliver independent evaluative evidence in
relevant fora
Engage with CGIAR MEL practitioners
Furnish early-stage evaluative evidence to support
portfolio management



4. Knowledge management & 'translating' evaluation

Contribute to management response system/s
Tailor content for CGIAR needs and uptake

IAES/Operational



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Operational support and eval implementation

- Staffing to support all three workstreams
- 1 additional time-bound FTE (junior comms/knowledge management)

Overarching communications & KM

- Website, socials, branding
- Evaluative evidence – 2023/24

Coordinate selected, joint advice and evidence

- Support amplification and coherence in messaging crossing multiple workstreams

Planning, monitoring, reporting

- Accountability and stewardship

Multi-year budget

(in 000 dollars)

	2023	2024
ISDC	1,019	1,268
SPIA	3,772	1,678
IAES/Eval	1,488	2,182
IAES	2,057	2,119
Total	8,336	7,247



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