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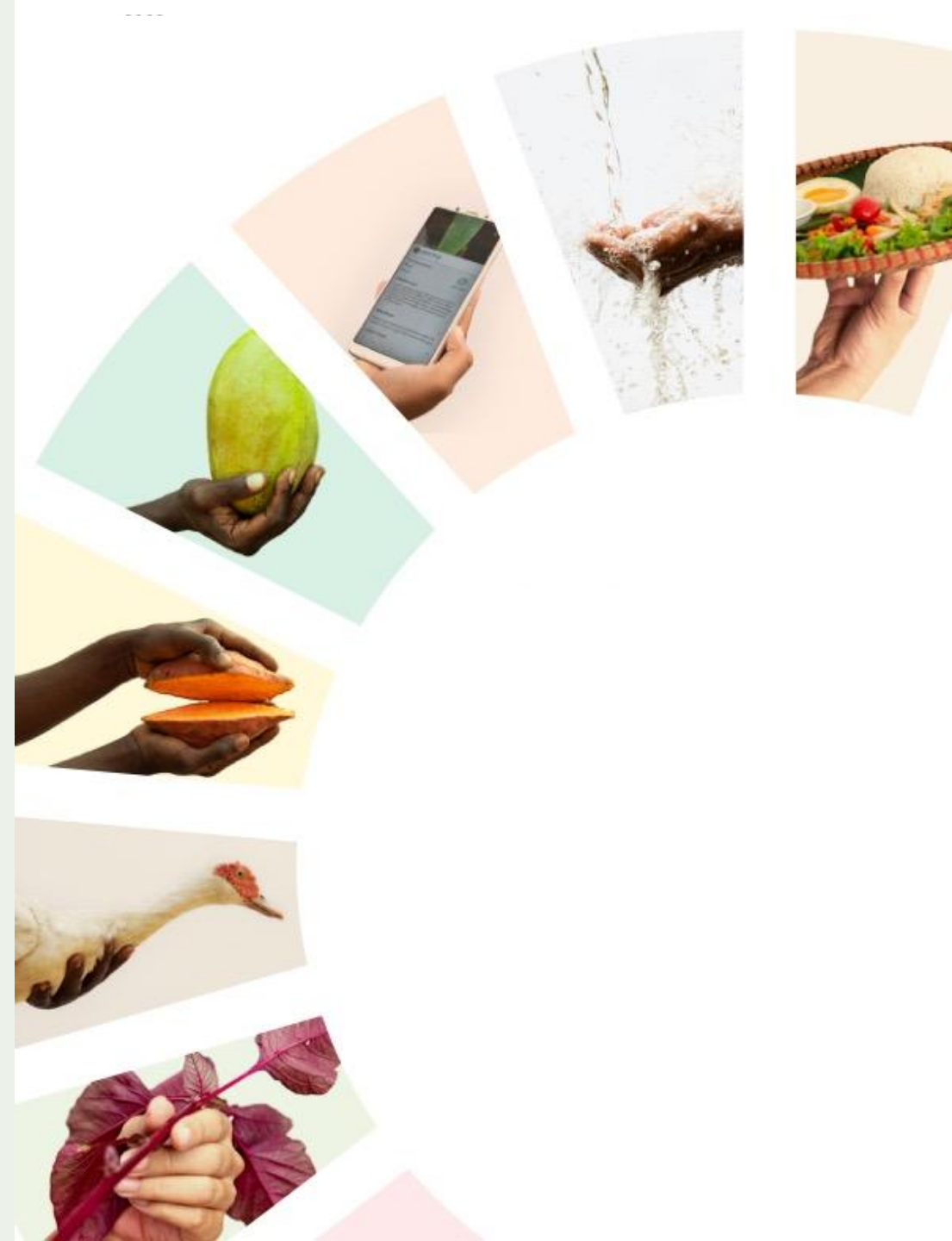
*Science for a food-secure future*

# Reflections from CGIAR's Executive Managing Director

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Brasilia, Brazil, 12th June 2024



## Reflections from the first six months: Dec 2023 – May 2024

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These six months have been humbling and inspiring. Our teams worldwide are building science that improves our planet and the lives of all people.

Key reflections:

- On the ground, the ‘One CGIAR’ vision and the spirit of the IFA are reflected in growing collaboration and integration.
- There is strong leadership and staff support for our integrated partnership.
- Excellence in CGIAR research, innovations, and scaling can be found across the Partnership, in all Centers, irrespective of size.
- Very positive engagements with partners with many opportunities for closer collaboration.

In summary: *our reform journey has reached a point of maturity, providing us with a strong foundation for an ambitious, new Portfolio supported by growing funding and partnerships.*

Our role as leaders is simple – to enable them.



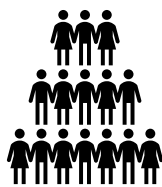
# COP28 was a landmark moment for CGIAR with \$890M in pledges



CGIAR pivotally positioned with a Presidency session on the Emirates Declaration, science roundtable with Bill Gates and the inaugural food & agriculture pavilion hosting 80+ events.



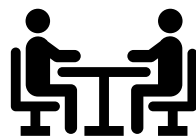
Investment Case sent to  
11,000+ stakeholders  
5,000+ views



160+ coordinated delegation  
raising the profile of our work and impact  
tracking and informing negotiations  
nurturing partnerships



200+  
events with RBAs  
and partners



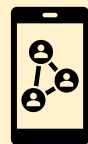
20+  
high-level  
meetings



130+  
pieces of coverage in global media



3,000+  
partners engaged via email updates



1.4m  
views on  
social media



98,000+  
views of video series



CGIAR Centers visited in the first 3-months: On-ground the 'One CGIAR' vision and the spirit of the IFA was visible in strong collaboration and integration





# Solidifying our commitment to our Partners





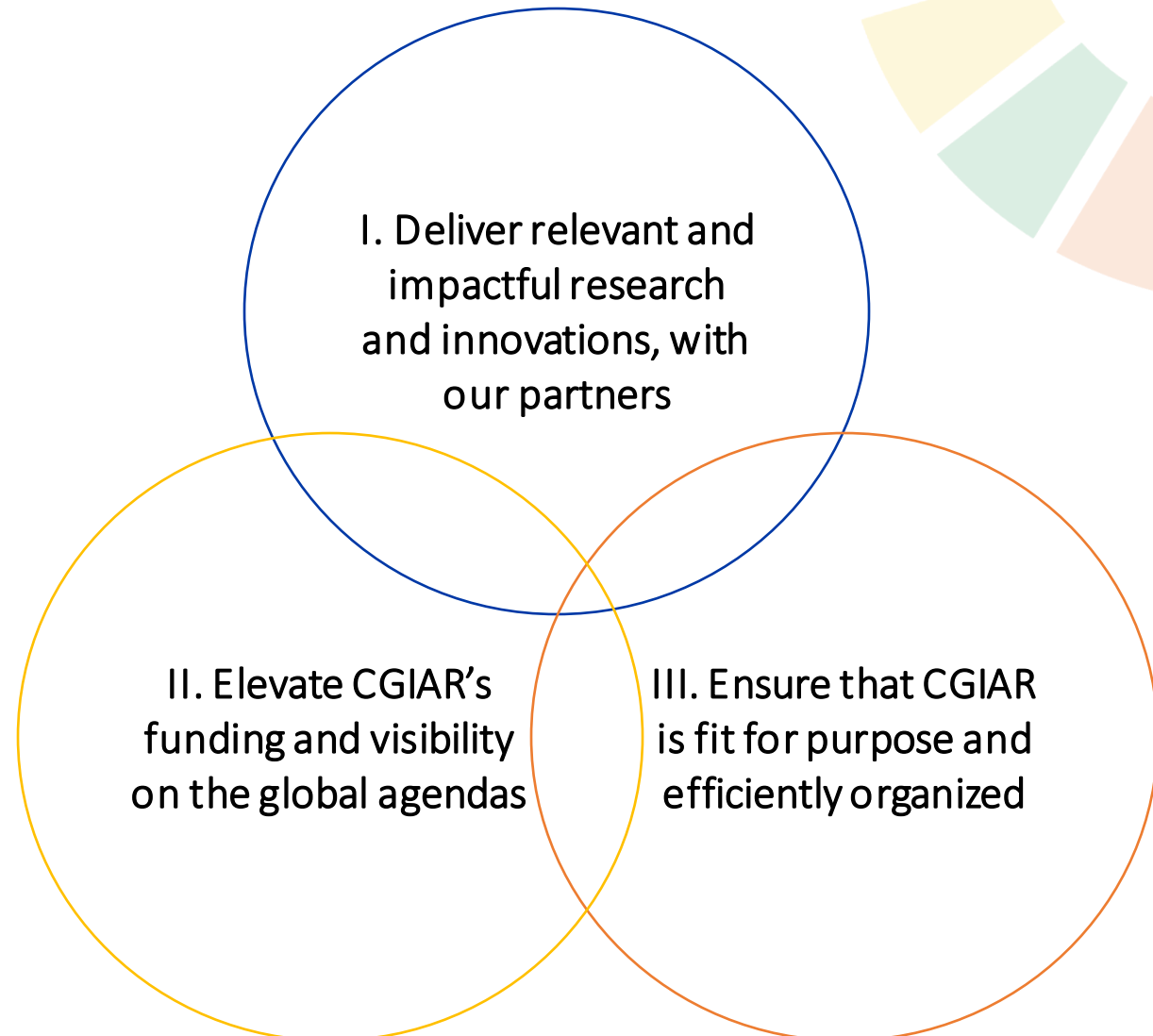
# CGIAR's leadership's strategic priorities are to move from reform to an operating business model



CGIAR's community has come together in a spirit of unity and shared purpose, moving us from a period of reform to one of strategic growth.

Across regions, we see the integrated partnership strongly visible on the ground.

The new leadership team is focused on establishing our post-reform era operating model. Our priorities are in this direction.



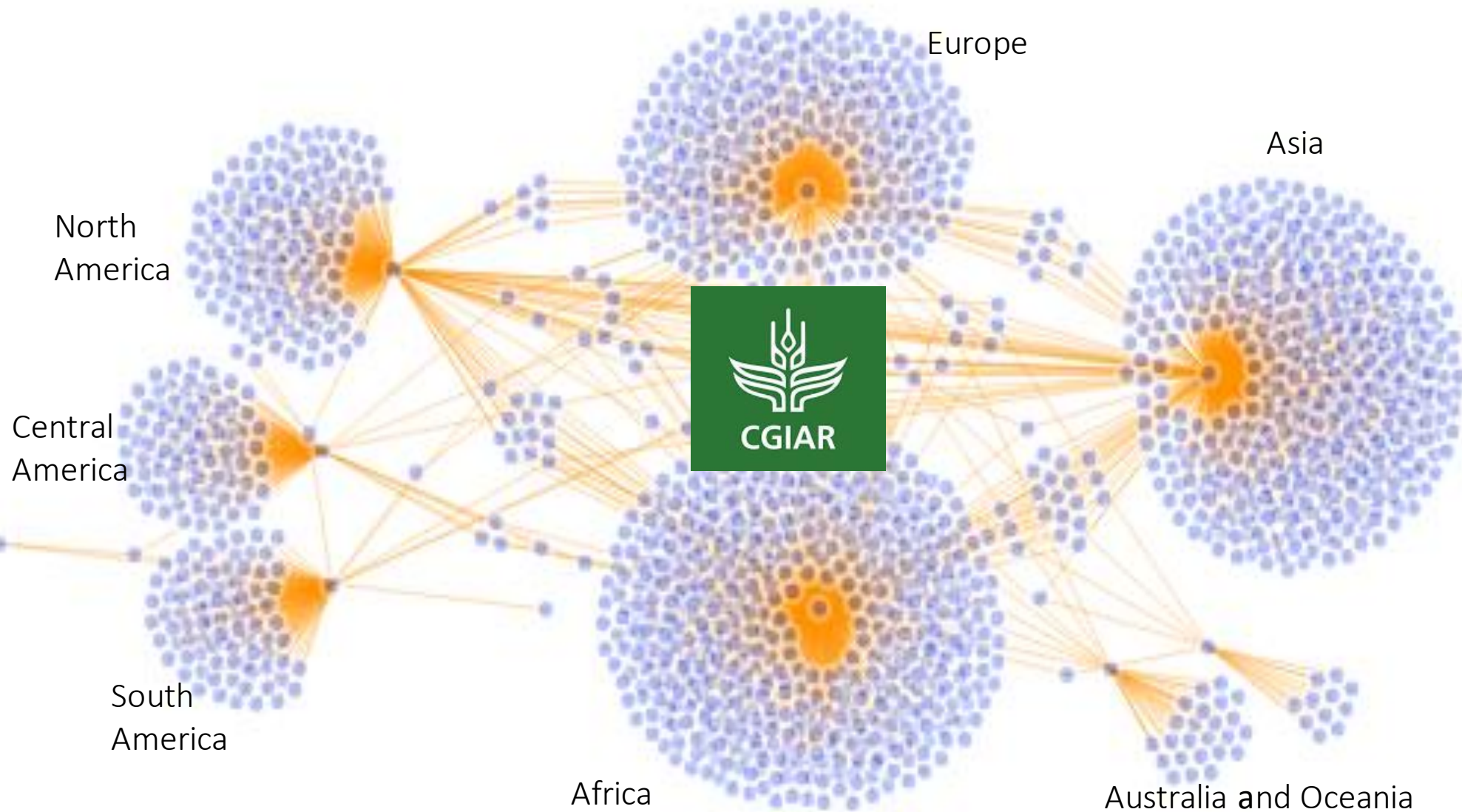
# CGIAR – Network of Networks of Networks

## Democratizing knowledge & innovation in alignment to SDG-17

>3,000+ partners,  
including:

- governments,
- universities,
- national agricultural research centers,
- private sector,
- foundations,
- global non-profits, &
- grassroots NGOs

.... across 90 countries, delivering impact in all regions



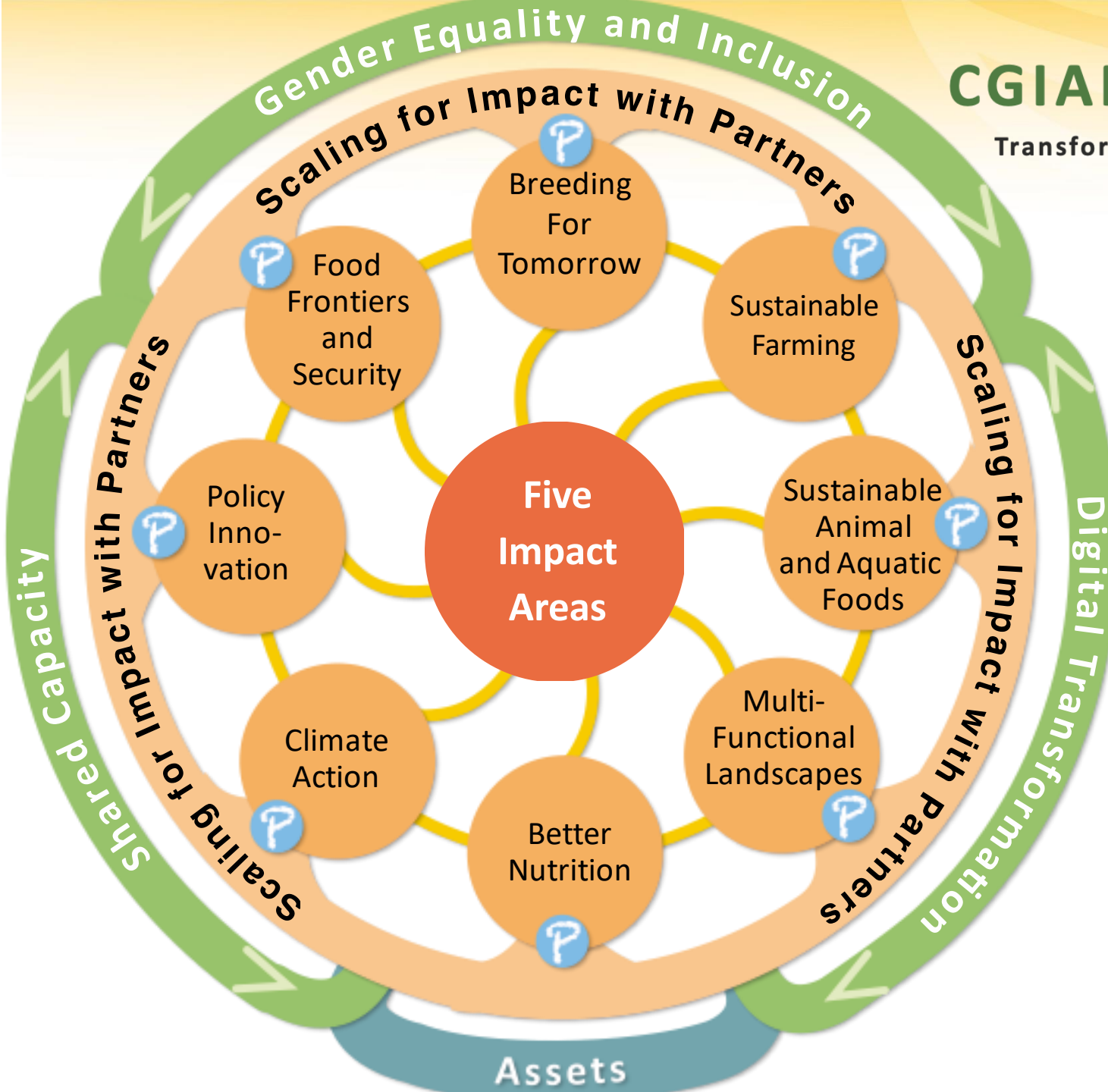
# CGIAR Portfolio 2025-2030

Transforming Food, Land, and Water Systems to 2050



Science Portfolio is being setup  
to be an annual \$2B portfolio

Five Impact Areas  
Eight Science programs  
Scaling for Impact with Partners  
Partners in Research and Scaling  
Accelerators  
Assets: Genebanks, Knowledge....





# We are building key assets through our work

A global study has been launched to study our current assets and build the business case for growing these assets, as well as identifying areas within our work that are proving to be relevant and substantial future assets.

This study focuses on:

- Which assets should be maintained to deliver on the CGIAR 2030 research strategy?
- What is the cost of upgrading and maintaining these assets?
- Where do we see redundancies in the asset base that need to be fixed?
- Where do we opportunities and capabilities to build new assets?



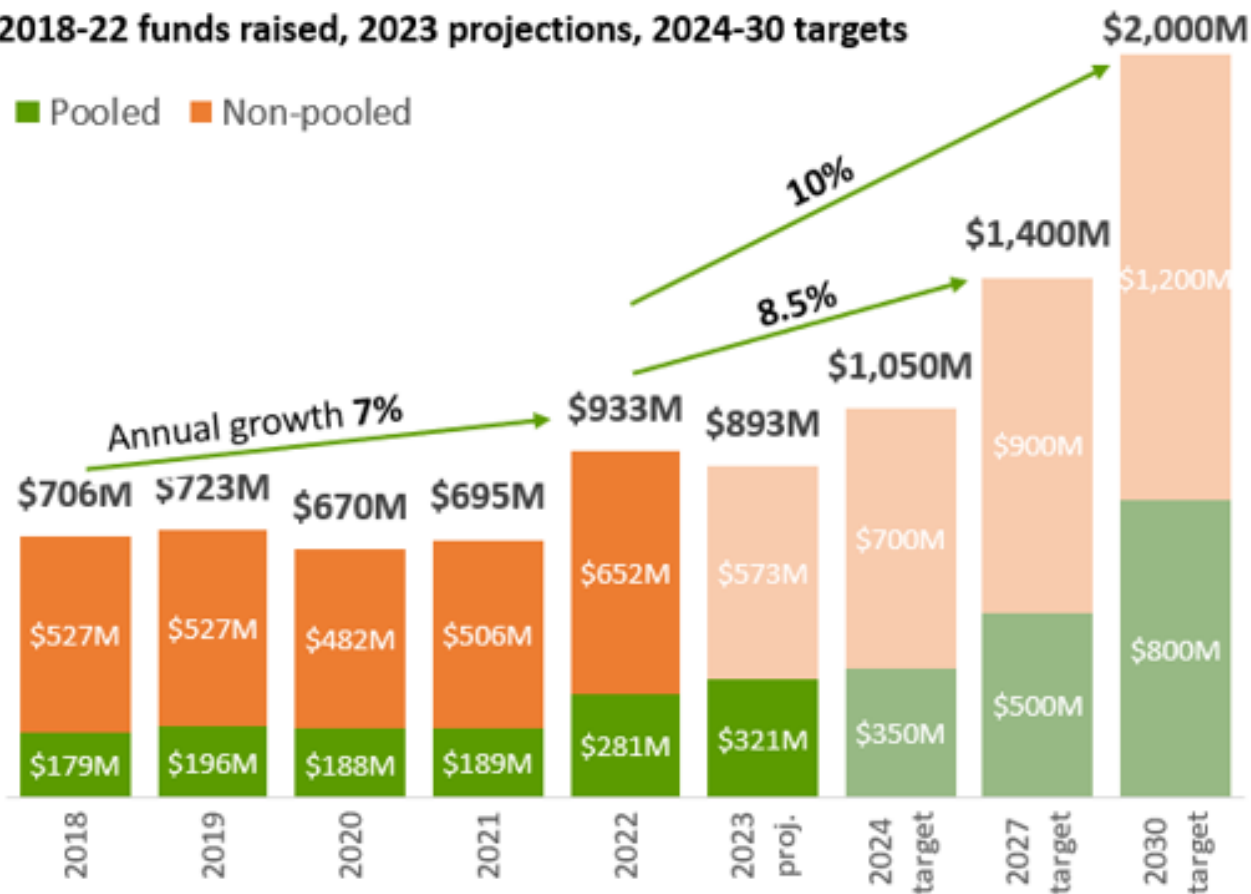
Our collective journey is possible with commitment, collaboration and financial support of our funders and System Council

## Progress and pathway to \$2bn / year



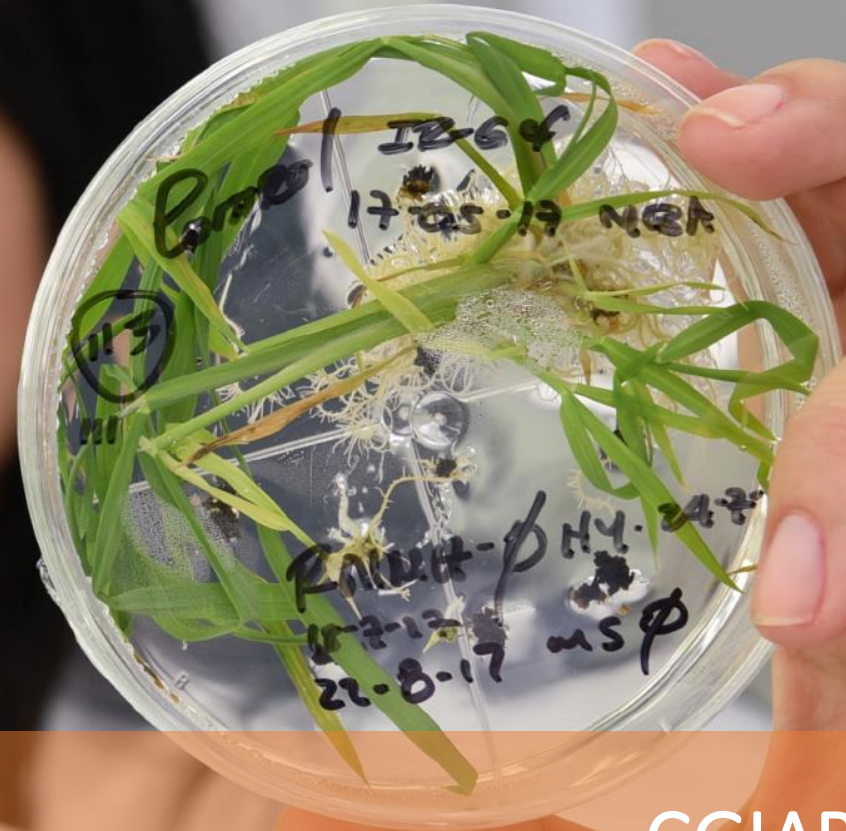
2018-22 funds raised, 2023 projections, 2024-30 targets

■ Pooled ■ Non-pooled



- Since 2018, overall funding has grown at an **average of 7%/year**
- To reach the investment case target of \$4bn in 2025—27/ \$1.4bn in 2027, growth needs to pick up to 8.5%—10%
- Sustained 10% growth needed to reach 2bn/ year by 2030
- Meeting targets **needs both bilateral and pooled to grow, as well as new sources of funding**





With  
science  
we can

CGIAR  
SCIENCE WEEK  
1-5 July, Nairobi | Kenya

Reimagine a sustainable and healthy future for people and planet



# Programme

- At the UN Campus in Nairobi
- Co-hosted by KALRO
- Plenary: 1-3 July – 8 sessions – 60 speakers confirmed so far

More information online: <https://www.cgiar.org/science-week/>

## Registration

3,000+ online

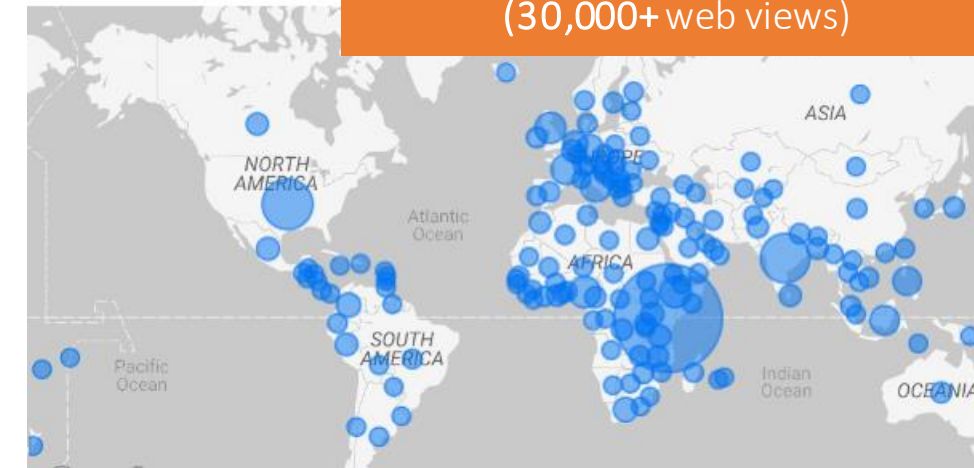
1,400+ in-person

(900+ non-CGIAR)  
increasing every day



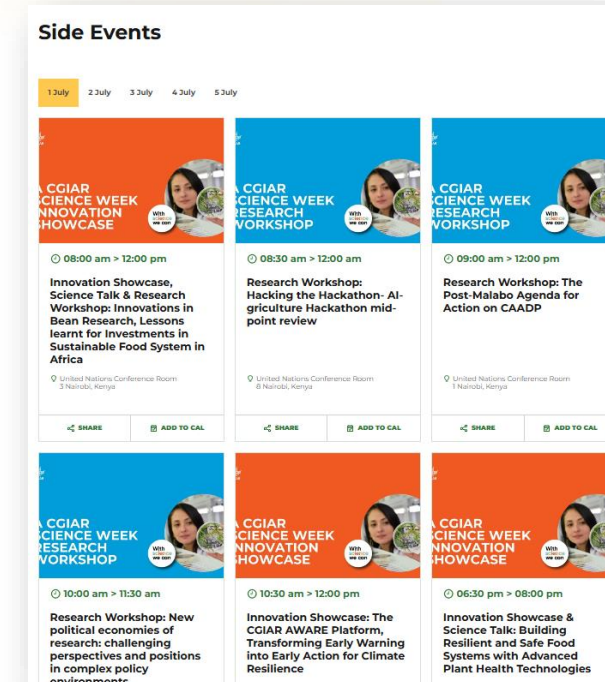
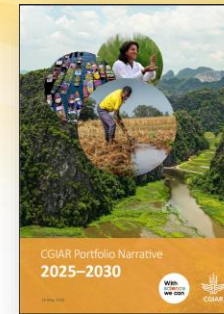
## Worldwide Interest

(30,000+ web views)



# Other Activities

- 13 x 2-hour Consultation Sessions on the new portfolio – 1-5 July
- 110 Side-Events including Science Talks, Research Workshops and Innovation Showcases
- Exhibition Area: All Centers + Impact Areas Booths



- Field visits to CGIAR and partner labs and research stations to see science in action 30 June – 6 July:  
Kapiti Plains Research Station, Kiboko Faw Screening Facility, Muguga station, KALTO industrial research institute, etc.



# Help us promote!

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Social Media posts: <https://trello.com/b/wAp1Q3F5/cgiar-science-week-2024>

Media: [Coverage Here](#)

