Main Activities and Results in 2023

Support the upgrade of The Gambia’s national extension system

- Evaluation of the existing IPs
- Establishment of 7 IP across the country with clearly identified workplan
- Training of IP stakeholders on facilitation, governance, M&E and farming as business (training on IP establishment and management, 63 participants; scaling technologies, 18 participants; farming as business, 36 participants)
- Development of a Gambian extension strategy

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Objective
The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to promote the development of inclusive, resilient, and competitive agricultural value chains, focusing on smallholder farmers and agribusinesses in project target areas.

Implementing country: Gambie

Key figures in 2023

- **Innovation platforms** established for the target value chain (maize, rice and horticulture)
- **Support for the purchase** of breeder seeds and foundation seeds in Nigeria, Benin and Senegal
- Development of a Gambian extension strategy

Main Activities and Results in 2023

Linkage of Gambian scientists with RCoE and NCS of West Africa:
- Regional workshop to finalize the regional pest and disease epidemic preparedness and response plan for West and Central Africa (Benin, June 2023)
- Regional workshop to facilitate the implementation of agricultural policies and investments in Climate-SMART Agriculture (CSA) in West Africa
- Workshop to initiate a regional support program for pro-CSA and agroecology platforms in West Africa (Senegal)
- Participation to MITA meeting in Ouagadougou in Burkina Faso
- Organization of exchange visit for Gambian team to Mali to exchange with research scientist from Mali and agriculture stakeholders (June 2023)
- CORAF helps GIRAV to have proforma for breeder and foundation seeds from Senegal, Nigeria, Benin.

Support the upgrade of The Gambia’s national research system
- Capacity need assessment for NARI specifically for three main value chains done (rice, maize, horticulture)