



# Gender dynamics in seed systems

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# Today

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13h45 **Welcome and introductions**

14h **Research presentations**  
*(10-12 minutes x 5 + questions)*

Break

16h **Reflections on the current “big questions” in seed systems (4x5 min)**

- **Krista Isaacs**, Michigan State University, Assistant Professor, International Seed Systems
- **Graham Thiele**, RTB Director, *Gender Breeding Initiative*
- **Silvia Sarapura**, KIT Royal Tropical Institute, *International Seed Systems Development program (ISSD)*
- **Peter Gildemacher**, KIT Royal Tropical Institute, *International Seed Systems Development program (ISSD)*

**Discussion**

## Research presentations



- Gender dynamics in fodder seed systems in East Africa (ILRI) **Birhanu Lenjiso**
- Assessing institutional innovation to promote women led informal seed systems in Eastern India (IRRI) **Ranjitha Puskur**
- Gender and the moral economy of sweet potato vines. A study in Tanzania (CIP/RTB, WUR) **Margaret McEwan**
- Integrating gender into Kenya's evolving seed policies and regulations for roots and tubers (RTB, CIP, IFPRI, PIM) **Netsayi Mudege / Margaret McEwan**
- Gender dynamics in non-hybrid cereals and legumes seed systems in Ethiopia and Uganda (ICRISAT) **Esther Njuguna-Mungai**

## Reflections on the “big questions”



**Krista Isaacs**, Michigan State University, Assistant Professor,  
International Seed Systems

**Graham Thiele**, CRP Roots, Tubers and Bananas (RTB) Director,  
International Potato Center (CIP), *Gender Breeding Initiative*

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## Discussion



How are these 5 projects responding to those “**Big Questions**” (or not)?

How are these gender dynamics in seed systems projects contributing to the **CGIAR gender research agenda**?

## Tomorrow



13h30-17h

-further reflection/discussion on what the body of knowledge from these projects contributes to CGIAR gender agenda, commonalities and differences

-Special Issue options 2018/2019

-Timelines and planning

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# Thank-you!