

**R4D approach at farm-level: workshop**  
A fast-track project of the AfricaRISING program (USAID)  
13-14<sup>th</sup> September, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia  
Location: Break-up room Infocentre, ILRI campus

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This workshop is part of a fast-track project funded by the AfricaRISING program (USAID), whose purpose is to:

*“Provide pathways out of hunger and poverty for small holder families through sustainably intensified farming systems that sufficiently improve food, nutrition, and income security, particularly for women and children, and conserve or enhance the natural resource base”.*

AfricaRISING combines both research and development objectives to identify and evaluate demand-driven options for sustainable intensification and facilitate partner-led dissemination of integrated innovations. The objective of this fast-track project is to propose a methodological approach to implement demand-driven research for development (R4D), while promoting partner-led processes and dissemination. Although the testing of the whole approach goes beyond this fast-track project, we combine expert knowledge, secondary literature and fieldwork to ensure a generic and flexible framework. This workshop is part of this process and it particularly aims to:

1. Share a methodological approach for demand-driven R4D within the context of the AfricaRISING.
2. Identify and discuss major issues of the approach with a larger R&D community.
3. Find ways forward to tackle these issues based on the knowledge and experiences of this larger community.

In the first day, we will work on the first two objectives of the workshop, while in the second day we will focus on the third objective (see workshop program below).

<b>PROGRAMME</b>			
<b>DAY-1</b>			
<b>time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>presenter/responsible</b>
8:30 – 8:45	<i>Registration</i>		
8:45 – 9:00	<i>Presentation</i>	Introduction to the workshop	Ewen Le Borgne, ILRI
9:00 – 9:15	<i>Presentation</i>	Africa RISING: research frame	Jerry Glover, USAID
9:15 – 9:30	<i>Presentation</i>	System approach	Ken Giller, Wageningen U.
9:30 – 9:45	<i>Presentation</i>	Demand driven R4D	Ann Waters-Bayer, ETC
9:45 – 10:15	<i>Group discussion</i>	Clarifications and challenges of operationalization	Ewen Le Borgne, ILRI
<b>10:15 – 10:45</b>	<b>Coffee</b>		
10:45 – 11:05	<i>Presentation</i>	Conceptual approach	Jens Andersson
11:05 – 11:25	<i>Presentation</i>	Implementation & recommendations	Diego Valbuena, ILRI
11:25 – 12:15	<i>Group discussion</i>	Reflection & emerging issues	Ewen Le Borgne, ILRI
<b>12:15 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
13:30 – 14:00	<i>Presentation</i>	Introduction group work	Diego Valbuena, ILRI
		Organisation R4D approach; underlying issues, promising strategies and examples of:	Facilitator + coordinators: strategies:
14:00 – 15:30	<i>Group work</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Organisational arrangement</li> <li>- Capacity building strategy</li> <li>- Up &amp; out-scaling</li> <li>- Emerging issues</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Individual topics + implementation</li> <li>- All together</li> </ul>

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15:30 – 16:00	Coffee		
16:00 – 17:00	Group work	Continuation, presentations Day-2	Facilitator + coordinators
17:00 – 19:00	Drinks & food		

PROGRAMME DAY-2			
time	activity	Topic	presenter/responsible
8:30 – 8:45	Presentation	Recap DAY-1	Ann Waters-Bayer
8:30 – 10:00	Presentation	Results & reflections group discussions DAY-1	Ewen Le Borgne, ILRI
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee		
10:30 – 12:30	Write-shop	Per topic: - Organisational arrangement - Capacity building strategy - Up & out-scaling - Emerging issues	Facilitator + coordinators
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch		
13:30 – 14:30	Group discussion	Reflection write-shop & gaps	Ewen Le Borgne, ILRI
14:30 – 14:45	Closing	Evaluation, next steps	Diego Valbuena, ILRI