



Food and Agriculture
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Globally Important
**AGRICULTURAL
HERITAGE**
Systems



GLOBALLY IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE SYSTEMS PROGRAMME

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Objectives

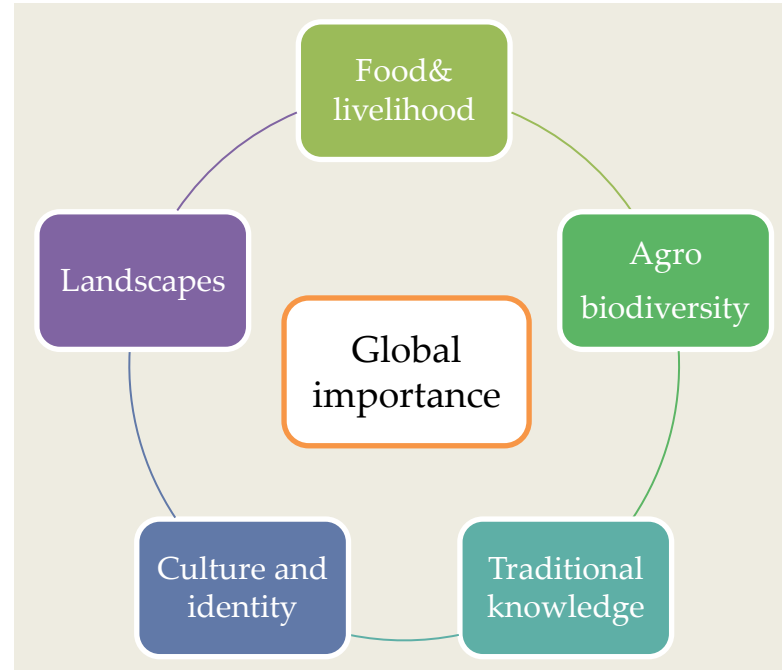
GIAHS Programme' goal is to identify, designate and promote the **dynamic conservation** of **remarkable agricultural systems** around the world

= Provide

1. an international **recognition**
 2. **to traditional agricultural systems**
 3. **to catalyze concrete actions** for
 4. the **sustainable development and increased resilience**
 5. of **farming communities.**
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GIAHS criteria

1. Food and livelihood security
2. Agrobiodiversity
3. Local and traditional knowledge systems
4. Cultures, Value systems and Social organizations
5. Landscapes and seascapes features





Foreseen multilevel impacts

Global:

visibility and promotion

international network

Legitimacy and added value for applying to international funding opportunities

National:

engagement of governments/ministries

adapted and supportive legal framework

enhanced awareness at national level

Local:

actions and mobilizations

capacity building and support for communities

Dynamic conservation



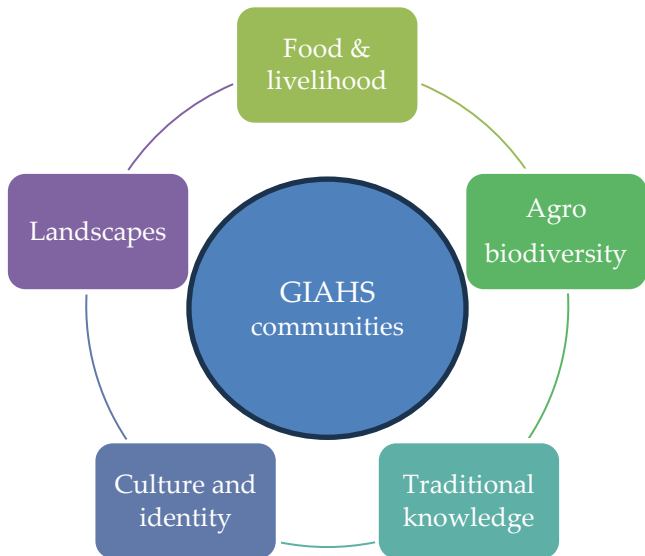
Blends conservation and development

- Avoid freezing system as museum
 - Strengthen sustainability and resilience of the communities in our changing context: **developing without eroding culture, knowledge, biodiversity**, etc.
 - Bottom-up approach
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Example of actions implemented – agritourism

- Legal and executive frameworks (National Commissions)
 - Diversification of income generation activities (Tourism)
 - Technical & knowledge transfer (incl. capacity building)
 - Enhancement of products and labelling (VC promotion)
 - Network development (ex. VALSIPAM and MEDGIAHS)
 - Cultural enhancement and communication (promotion)
 - Setting up of public-private partnerships
 - Research and innovation
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Touristic potential for:

Through products

- Prized and quality food products
- Unique products relying on biodiversity
- Unique products relying on specific knowhow and sustainable farming and processing practices

Through services/experience connected to

- local identity and festivities / culture
- the landscape and environment / nature
- gastronomy
- farming practices

GIAHS are champions in terms of potential offer for tourism as they combine nature & culture.

Principles of a territorial approach



PEOPLE-CENTERED



MULTI-DIMENSIONAL



**INTEGRATION
AND SYNERGIES**



PLACE-BASED



MULTI-LEVEL



FLEXIBILITY



MULTI-STAKEHOLDER



CROSS-SECTORIAL

Conclusion

Framework to tailored approach to ensure sustainability
Tremendous potential for development through 5 criteria
Key component of GIAHS Action plans

Ensure key TA principles are followed

UN Tourism – GIAHS Sec Guidebook released soon

Thank you for your attention

