

Program

- 12:10-12:40 Enhancing Biodiversity and Production through Participatory Plant Breeding
B. Sthapit, IPGRI; D. Jarvis/IPGRI; P. Ezyguirre/IPGRI; K. Joshi/LIBIRD; R. Rana/LIBIRD
- 12:40-13:10 Discussion
- 13:10-14:10 Lunch

Session 2: The Context of Participatory Plant Breeding — Moderator: Bhuwon Sthapit, IPGRI

- 14:20-14:40 Cultivating the Landscape: Enhancing the Context for Plant Improvement
D. Buckles, IDRC and F. Mazhar, UBINIG

Tuesday, May 2

07:00-08:00 Breakfast

Session 4: Starting from Farmers' Knowledge When Planning PBB/Participatory PGR Programs

08:20 - 08:30 Opening remarks and organization: Vanaja Ramprasad, Green Foundation

Session 4A	Session 4B	Session 4C
Moderator: Stephen Biggs	Moderator: Peter Hobbs	Moderator: KPS Chandel
08:40-09:00 Caecilia Afra Widyastuti, CIP-ESEAP Region, "Using farmer knowledge for participatory sweet-potato variety selection in Garut, West Java, Indonesia"	08:40-09:00 T. Paris, IRRI, Philippines, "Lis- tening to farmers' perceptions: ex- periences and lessons learned"	08:40-09:00 Kirsten vom Brocke, ICRISAT, Ger- many, "Opportunities and con- straints for participatory breeding: farmer's seed management strate- gies in Rajasthan and their effects on pearl millet populations "
09:00-09:20 R.B. Rana, LI-BIRD, "Understand- ing agroecological domains: a key to a successful participatory plant breeding program"	09:00-09:20	09:00-09:20 P. Chaudary, LI-BIRD, Nepal, "Strength of farmers' knowledge and participation in crop improve- ment and managing agrobiodiversity on-farm"
09:20-09:50 Discussion Period	09:20-09:50 Discussion Period	09:20-09:50 Discussion Period

10:00-10:30 Tea Break

Session 5: Farmers Speak for Themselves about Plant Breeding and PGR Management

10:40-10:50 Opening remarks and organization. Moderator: F. Mazhar, UBINIG

10:50-12:00 Need for Advocacy for Effective Participatory Crop Improvement and Plant Genetic Resource Enhancement: Case Studies on Rice-Breeding Processes from Khotang and Jajarkot Districts, Nepal

Y. Ghale, Action Aid, Nepal

Farmers from Action Aid and UBINIG speak for themselves about plant breeding and PGR Management

12:00-12:30 Discussion period

12:40-13:40 Lunch

Session 6: Focus on Methods on PPB: Breeding Concerns

13:50-14:00 Opening remarks and organization: V. Arunachalam

Session 6A	Session 6B	Session 6C
Moderator: Bhuwon Sthapit	Moderator: Dr. RP Sah	Moderator: Dr. DN Sah
14:10-14:30 D. Hunter, University of the South Pacific, W. Samoa, "Beyond taro leaf blight: a participatory approach for plant breeding and selection for taro improvement in Samoa"	14:10-14:30 R. Kumar, Birsa Agricultural University, India "Participatory plant breeding in rice in eastern India"	14:10-14:30 J. Witcombe, DFID, "Towards a practical participatory plant-breeding strategy in predominantly self-pollinated crops"
14:30-14:50 A. Kumar, Birsa Agricultural University, India "Participatory plant breeding in maize for the Chhotanagpur plateau of eastern India"	14:30-14:50 SN Goyal, Gujarat Agricultural University, India "Participatory crop improvement in maize in Gujarat, India"	14:30-14:50 TP Tiwari, Nepal, "Participatory crop improvement for intercropped maize in bari terraces with trees"
14:50-15:10 Discussion Period	14:50-15:10 Discussion Period	14:50-15:10 Discussion Period

15:20-15:50 Tea Break

Session 7: Skill Building Opportunities (1)

16:00-16:10 Opening remarks and organization: Louise Sperling, PRGA

Skill Building Workshops			
16:20-18:35 Basic PRA Skills and Introduction	16:20-18:35 Gender Analysis and Practice in PPB/PGR	16:20-18:35 Guidelines for developing PPB programs	16:20-18:35 Assessing Impact in PPB programs
Facilitator: PK Shrestha	Facilitator: Thelma Paris	Facilitator: Louise Sperling	Facilitator: Nadine Saad

19:00 Dinner