

An illustration of a woman and a young child. The woman, wearing a purple top and a green headwrap, holds a large basket filled with various colored sweetpotatoes. The child, wearing a blue shirt and purple pants, stands next to her, holding a small orange sweetpotato. The background is a vibrant yellow with a pattern of colorful geometric shapes like circles, squares, and triangles in shades of purple, red, and orange. The bottom of the slide features a green background with a pattern of stylized leaves.

9th Sweetpotato Seed Systems & Crop Management Community of Practice Consultation: engaging youth for improved sweetpotato seed and root production Wrap up & evaluation

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SGA pre-basic seed meeting follow up



- **Y4 SGA narrative reports**
 - Submit drafts to Rosemary Kihui today
 - Final report – deadline 15th June
- **Financial reports (Q4)**
 - Emily Ndoho
- **Updated narrative biz plan**
 - Working with Rosemary Kihui – September 15.
- Continued work to implement & monitor strengthened **marketing strategy**
 - Srini Rajendran and Rosemary Kihui

SGA partner Year 4 REPORTS



NARI	Narrative Y4 Report	Financial Report Q3	FR Q4
TARI	End nxt week	Done	By June 15th
SARI		Done	
NaCRRRI		Pending	
BioCrops	Next week	Pending	
KEPHIS	Almost ready	Done	
SRI	Draft ready	Pending	
RAB		Pending	
DARS	Draft ready (exc RF)	Pending	
IIAM	Not ready	Pending	
ZARI	Nxt week	Pending	
NRCRI	Not ready (next week)	n/a	
CRI	Not ready (nxt week)	Pending	
INERA	Almost ready	Done	

Seed Systems CoP follow up



- **Country action points on developing engagement of youth in seed & root agripreneurs**
 - Differentiate youth (gender, location, aspirations)
 - Link with existing youth fora/associations
 - Understand national policy supportive to youth empowerment
 - Invite youth representatives to stakeholder meetings
 - Criteria for selection of vine & root agripreneurs
- **Country report back** – September 2018 – SPHI meeting

Seed Systems CoP follow up



- **Emerging science**
 - Rice- SP rotation systems (Gerald Kyalo)
 - Sandponics (Reuben Ssali)
 - Roll out of Clondiag
- **Scaling Triple S PLUS**
 - Roll of out training materials
 - Assessment of scaling readiness in 2 countries (Sam Namanda)

Seed Systems CoP follow up



- On line seed systems discussion group
 - If you are not registered please request Kwame
- Wrap up on Youth
 - Follow-on to bring **NEW** ideas from talk show, panel & learning journeys into on-line discussion
- New topics:
 - *The challenge of labelling*
 - *How to encourage farmers to purchase clean seed on regular cycle*
 - *More effective methodologies for raising awareness*
 - *Control of weeds – what do we already know?*
 - *????*
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Seed Systems CoP follow up



- **Blogs** (with Rosemary)
 - **Targeting youth** to increase awareness about opportunities in SP seed & root enterprises;
 - **Targeting decision makers** on what youth can do, when given the opportunity;
 - 3 by September please
- **Twitter** (with Faith)
- Please complete **evaluation** and give to Srini
- All presentations will be available on www.sweetpotatoknowledge.org
- **Report:** all rapporteurs please complete your notes and send to Faith
- **Other housekeeping**

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