

Sowing Diversity = Harvesting security

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To gain more in-depth
knowledge in smallholder
engagement in seed
systems

I am working on a project called Sowing Diversity = Harvesting security, the project aims at creating accessibility and affordability of quality seed, climate change resilience and food and nutrition security among smallholder farmers, So far we have trained over 220 smallholder farmers in seed production and marketing, of which 139 (89 females, 39 males and 11 youths) have been supported with foundation seed.



The main challenge is government policy with regards to smallholder engagement in seed systems. Government policy makes it very difficult for smallholder farmers to engage in seed production, policy puts the smallholder farmer at almost the same level as the commercial seed producers.

I hope to learn more about current crop breeding methods and policies that create a suitable environment for smallholder engagement in seed production