

The Conference

Third Global Conference on Agricultural Research for
Development



Theme 5
Ensuring better rural futures

Youth Planning Rural Futures

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What we want to achieve

- *Critical mass of Young professionals (YPs) grounded in **forward-thinking process**.*
- YPs use foresight analysis to identify change and disruptions affecting the agricultural systems; and how they can influence the future.
- YPs using forward-thinking and outputs to influence change at all levels of decision-making processes.

What have we done so far

Training of
YPARD
Foresight
Ambassador

YPARD Asia
Pacific
Foresight
Training

Facilitation of
participatory
prospective
analysis

With whom?

- GFAR (Global Foresight Hub)
- YPARD Global
- YPARD Asia Pacific
- FARA

Results so far

- Some YPs equipped with fundamentals of foresight analysis
 - *Use of forward-thinking in the development of YPARD Asia Pacific Development Plan*
- *YPARD representation in FARA-facilitated Africa Foresight Academy*



What we want to achieve through GCARD3

- How to get young professionals to recognize the value of foresight
- Identify key activities on which to mobilize young people around collective action on forward-thinking
- Strategies on how to integrate youth forward-thinking into agricultural programs of different stakeholders, such as government agencies, research institutions, NGOs, CSOs, academe, and farmer groups.
- Link YPARD to existing collective actions on foresight to enhance young people's involvement.

Who could be our partners

- All stakeholder are welcome and we'll particularly request the presence of:
 - Organizations with youth-focused programs (Research institutions, NGOs, CSOs, FOs, etc.)
 - Educational institutions
 - People with willingness to support youth-based transformations
 - Policymakers