Plan for Improving Seed Potato in Georgia

September 27th, 2018



Potato wart (cancer)

Objectives



Potato cyst nematode



Potato bacterial wilt

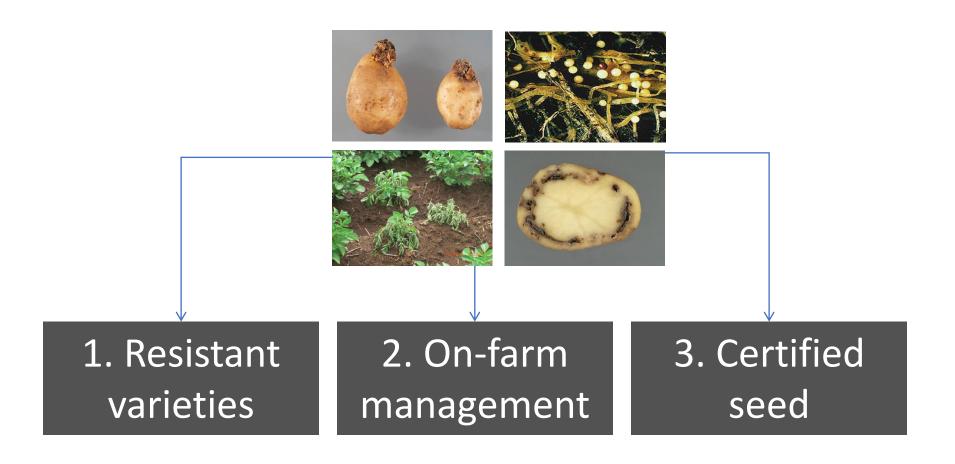


Potato bacterial ring rot



Provide direction to appropriate Georgian authorities for addressing constraints related to the quality seed production in Georgia, especially seed degeneration, in the next five years

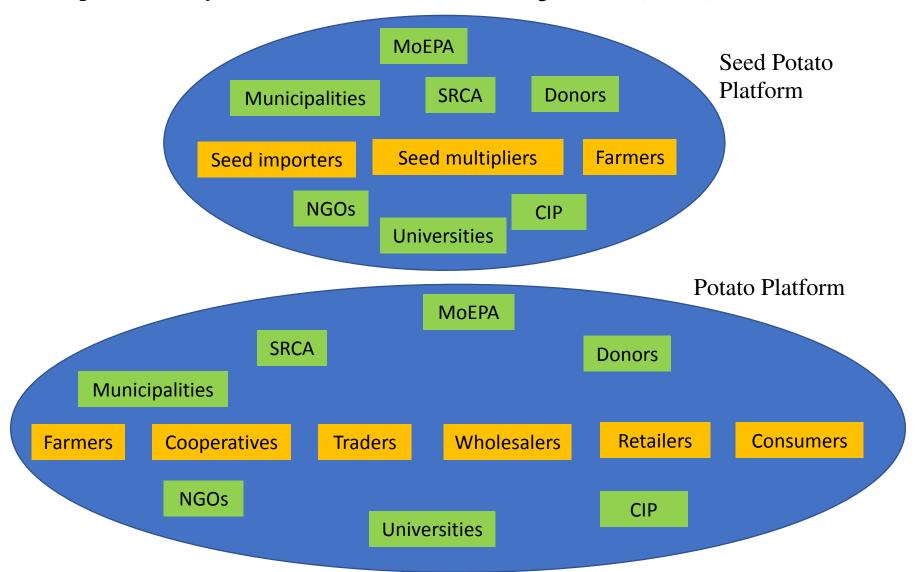
Approach: Integrated Seed Health



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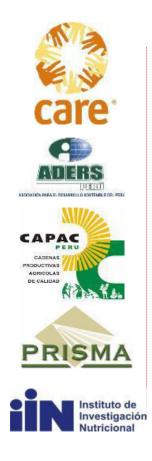
Led by: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture (MoEPA)

Implemented by: Scientific-Research Center of Agriculture (SRCA)



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Example from Peru











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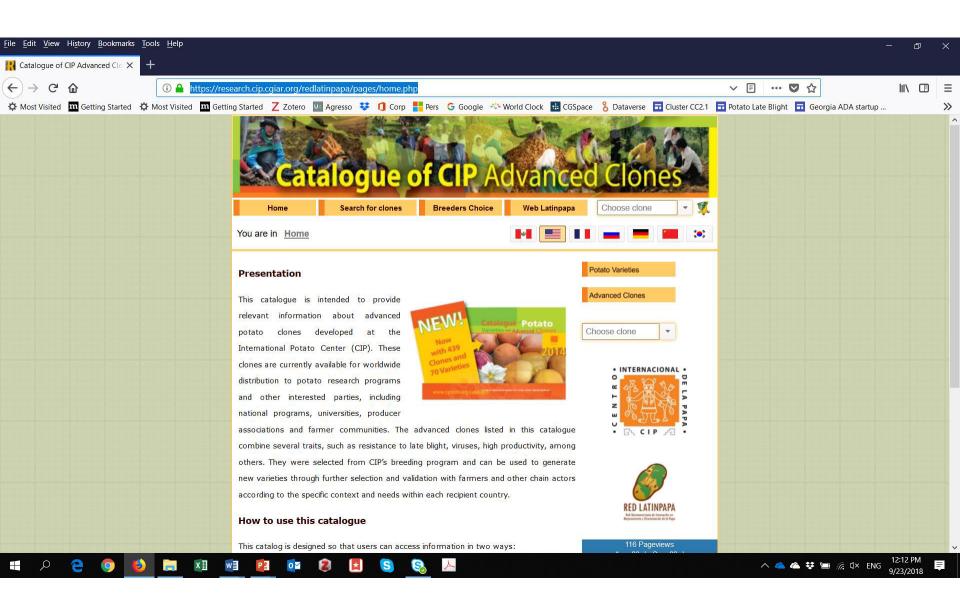




Component 1: Adoption of varieties that degenerate slowly due to their natural resistance to the organisms that cause potato seed degeneration

(As part of a variety development program)

- **Activity 1.1. Import new genotypes from CIP and other sources.**
- Activity 1.2. Identify and catalogue virus resistance in candidate varieties.
- **Activity 1.3. Participatory varietal trials.**
- Activity 1.4. Release and dissemination of new varieties.
- Activity 1.5. Adoption studies of new varieties.



https://research.cip.cgiar.org/redlatinpapa/pages/home.php



Virus resistance trial (Tsilkani)

- 28 new potato varieties
- 4 commercial varieties

Component 2: On-farm practices to maintain or even improve seed quality

- **Activity 2.1. Adaptation of techniques and training materials**
- **Activity 2.2. Training of extension agents and farmers**
- **Activity 2.3. Monitoring seed health**

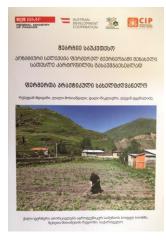
Original versions for Kenya



Training guides for on-farm seed management

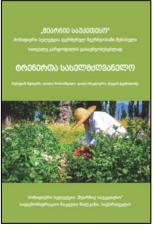






Adapted versions for Georgia

Farmers' field aid



Trainers' manual



Picture book

Training on positive selection (Kazbegi, July 2018)



Component 3: Strategic use of certified seed

Participatory Market Chain Approach (PMCA)

A systematic process that:

- •Builds trust among market chain actors and with R&D organizations
- Stimulates market driven innovation of different types

Phases

Phase 1

Diagnosis: Market chain

Understand market chain actors, activities, interests, ideas, problems

Public Event 1

Phase 2

Participatory analysis new market opportunities: Work in thematic groups

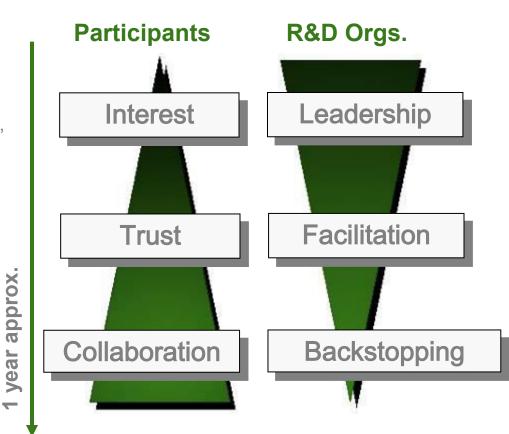
Public Event 2

Phase 3

Develop market driven innovations:

- new products
- new technologies
- new institutions

Final Public Event



From resources...



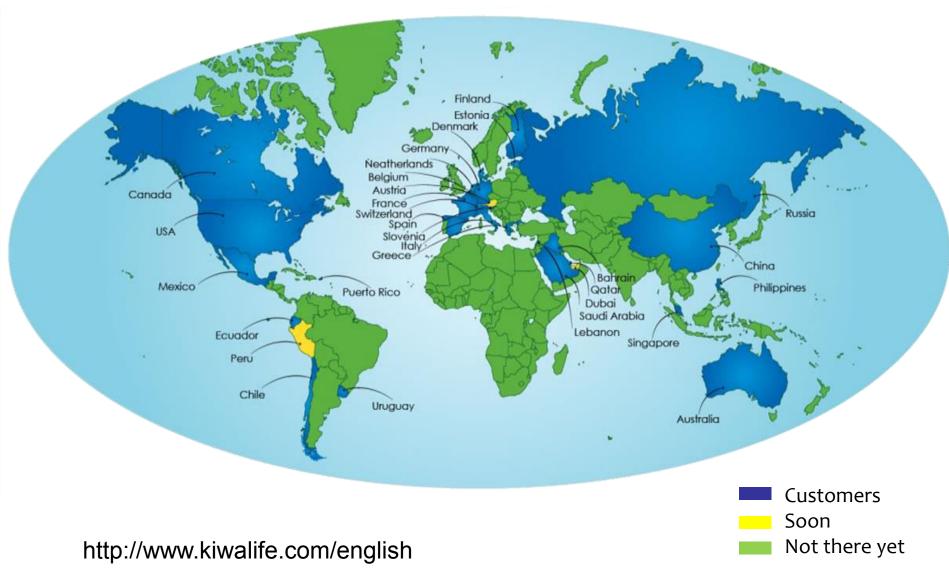
To creative ideas ...



To commercial products



KIWA Colored potato chips around the world from the Andes!



Technological innovation





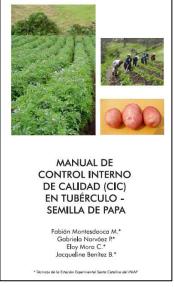


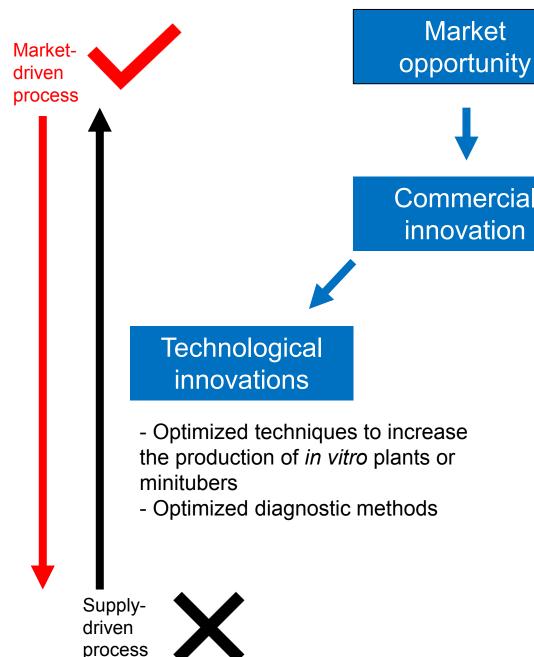


Commercial innovation



Institutional innovation





- Exporting seed to Turkey (var. A)
- Producing seed for farmers associated with a company that produces chips (var. B)

Commercial New brand of certified seed for varieties A and B

Institutional innovations

- Improved regulations for seed production
- Group of seed multipliers

Country	Certified seed use (%)	Informal seed system (%)	Reference
Afghanistan	0	100	Kadian et al., 2007
Bangladesh	5	95	Ilangantileke et al., 2001
Bhutan	2	98	Kadian et al., 2007
Bolivia	2	98	Hidalgo et al., 2011
China	20	80	Muthoni et al., 2013
Colombia	2-10	90-98	FPAPA, 2010; Guzmán-Barney et al., 2012
Ecuador	1-3	97-99	Thiele, 1999; ESPAC, 2012
Ethiopia	1	99	Gildemacher et al., 2009
India	20	80	Kadian et al., 2007
Indonesia	6	94	Muthoni et al., 2013
Kenya	2	98	Gildemacher et al., 2009
Pakistan	5	95	Muthoni et al., 2013
Peru	0.5	99.5	Hidalgo et al., 2011
Uganda	0.1	99.9	Gildemacher et al., 2009

Thomas-Sharma et al., 2015

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The MoEPA and other partners are expected to fund significant portions of this Plan.

















Our Crops



CIP's previous experiences

India





















Bolivia, Ecuador, Kenya, Rwanda, Ethiopia, etc.

Your task

- 1. Break into 4 groups: Component 1 to 3, Seed potato platform
- 2. Discuss the components and proposed activities
- 3. Fill in the Excel document: For each activity, define actions, methodology, partner in charge, contributors, delivery date and budget

