

## The A&RD network's products, issues, events and institutional links

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Inventory of current SDC projects in A&RD	Apr 09 Ongoing in 2010	IN	Overview of current SDC A&RD portfolio, according to country/region, thematic clusters, engaged amounts, etc.	<b>Sabine Schenk</b> Simon Zbinden Marylaure Crettaz Philippe Monteil Peter Sulzer Markus Bürli		Inventory is available; to be kept up to date permanently by all HQ-based members
New livestock Initiative	Jun 09	CO	<u>Knowledge + innovation/Livestock rearing</u>	<b>Carmen Thoennissen</b>	FAO, SHL	Paper sent out for first comments by ARD-NW, some comments went back to distributor.
Introduction paper to A&RD network	Sep 09	IN	Description of network's purposes, functioning, overall objectives, thematic priorities, etc.	<b>Sabine Schenk</b>	All A&RD network members; OU of SDC	Paper distributed
Website A&RD network	Aug-Dec 09 Ongoing in 2010	IN	About the network, it's priority themes, resources, etc.	<b>Markus Bürli</b> <b>Dimka Stantchev</b> <b>Simon Zbinden</b>	All A&RD network members, larger public	Preparation advanced
Thematic exploration on Land Governance (land leasing/tenure, land laws/rights, land reform, etc.)	Aug-Dec 09 Ongoing in 2010	IN	<u>Governance/Policy + regulatory frameworks</u> Exploration for in-depth treatment of the land question in cooperation with the GPFS (and possibly with other networks; PED ?	<b>Sabine Schenk</b> Alexandre Ghelew Dimka Stantchev Simon Zbinden Marylaure Crettaz Markus Bürli	GPFS Other networks ? ILC, IISD, other partners	"Land governance" is chosen as one of NW's two in-depth themes up to 2011. Preparatory work ongoing. Concept paper is available

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			Decentralisation ?, etc)			
<b>Thematic exploration on Extension/Rural innovation (contents, methods, systems, financing, etc.)</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 09</b> <b>Ongoing in 2010</b>	<b>IN</b>	<u>Knowledge+ innovation</u> Exploration for in-depth treatment of the questions in relation with extension/rural innovation in cooperation with the GPFS (and possibly with other networks; Education ? Decentralisation ?, etc.)	<b>Sabine Schenk</b> Simon Zbinden Dimka Stantchev Markus Bürli Pierre-André Cordey	GPFS Other networks ? Agridea, SHL, other partners ?	“Rural advisory services” is chosen as one of NW’s two in-depth themes up to 2011. Preparatory work ongoing. Concept paper is available
<b>Entry Proposal (Agriculture in Tanzania)</b>	<b>End 09</b>	<b>CO</b>		<b>Philippe Monteil</b>		cancelled
<b>Entry Proposal Seed Security in Southern Africa</b>	<b>Mid 09</b>	<b>CO</b>		<b>Philippe Monteil</b>		cancelled
<b>SDC Report on Effectiveness; Agriculture and Rural Development</b>	<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>CO</b>		<b>Andrea Ries</b> Carmen Thoennissen	SDC- Controlling	HQ-NW-members involved in different committees and working groups. Until Dec 09: projects and consultants selected, analytical work started
<b>Exchange A&amp;RD network/working group Agro-Forest-Pastoralism; West Africa Division</b>	<b>Mid 10</b> , HQ Capitalization study on SDC approach on small-holder agriculture: discussion of the first results	<b>CO</b>	<u>Sustainable production/Value chains + access to markets</u>	<b>Marylaure Crettaz/</b> Dimka Stantchev	Working Group Agro-Forest-Pastoralism; West Africa Division	Study postponed to 2010 (first step in Burkina Faso)

## The A&RD network's events – past and forthcoming

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<b>Launch of Systemic Approach to Rural Development (SARD)</b>	<b>11 Feb 09; HQ</b>	<b>CO</b>	<u>Approaches</u> : livelihood, general information	<b>Laurent Ruedin</b> Sabine Schenk	Intercooperation	SARD launched
<b>The Livelihood approach, experiences from Pakistan</b>	<b>24 Mar 09; HQ</b>	<b>IN</b>	<u>Approaches</u> : livelihood, in-depth information and exchange of experiences	<b>Laurent Ruedin</b> Annette de Witteveen Sabine Schenk		6 NW members participated, discussion of relevant aspects
<b>Reflection workshop climate change contribution to A&amp;RD network --&gt; Food Security</b>	<b>Feb 09, HQ;</b> postponed To be discussed in a further meeting of the network	<b>CO</b>		<b>Marylaure Crettaz</b> Dimka Stantchev	CC Network	cancelled
<b>Presentation: Participatory Market Chain Approach (focus on potato market). Experience from Papa Andina, Peru.</b>	<b>12 Aug 09; HQ</b> presentation: 10 years of pro-poor innovation – what experiences does “Papa Andina” provide us”, with André Devaux and Alice Thomann.	<b>IN</b>	<u>Value chains + access to markets</u>	<b>Simon Zbinden</b>	Latin America Division	Participation of ca. 25 HQ-staff and external persons. Presentation of methodology and results of this CIP project. Discussion.
<b>Presentation and Discussion on Gender,</b>	<b>24 Sep 09; HQ</b> Inputs by Annemarie	<b>IN</b>	<u>Policy/Approaches,</u> <u>Gender</u> : main results of	<b>Sabine Schenk</b> Annemarie Sancar	Gender NW, WB, IFAD	7 NW-members participated. First

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<b>Agriculture, Rural Employment</b>	Sancar, Milena Mihajlovic		WB and IFAD workshops: lessons learnt, implications for A&RD- and Gender NW	Milena Mihajlovic		step towards cooperation with Gender NW.
<b>Presentation of how herders in Mongolia can secure access to pasture land through collective action</b>	<b>29 Oct 09;</b> HQ Presentation by Hans Binswanger (consultant) and discussion	<b>CO</b>	<u>Livestock rearing + NRM/Policy + regulatory frameworks</u> ; pastoralist livestock systems, access to land	<b>Markus Bürl</b> Enkhie Tseelei	SCO Mongolia	12 SDC-staff and external persons participated. Good potential for links to NW in-depth themes and NW-exchange (e.g. Mongolia – Chad - Niger)
<b>World Food Day (“Land day”)</b>	<b>15 Oct 09;</b> Hotel Bern	<b>CO</b>	<u>Policy + regulatory framework, land governance</u>	<b>Andrea Ries</b> Sabine Schenk	GPFS, FOAG, ILC, IISD, external public	First event: <a href="http://www.world-food-dialogue.ch">www.world-food-dialogue.ch</a> . 60 persons participated, external and SDC-HQ staff. Information about commercial pressure on land. Discussion, CPL- and other land related activities of participating organisations.
<b>A&amp;RD Network info event on experiences with the SWAp in the Ag Sector in Nicaragua</b>	<b>Feb 10;</b> HQ study by Swedish partner in process	<b>IN</b>	<u>Policy/Agricultural production</u>	<b>Maria Antonia Zelaya</b> <b>Simon Zbinden</b> Max Streit	COOF Managua	
<b>ICRA (International Centre for Research in Agriculture), 25 years of partnership with</b>	<b>16 Nov 09;</b> HQ Inputs by Jon Daane, Director of ICRA,	<b>IN</b>	<u>Knowledge + innovation; agricultural research, extension</u>	<b>Dimka Stantchev</b> <b>Pierre-André Cordey</b> Sabine Schenk	Concerned OU of SDC, Agridea, SHL, etc.	12 SDC staff and NW members. Exchange on ICRA's work (approaches,

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<b>SDC : lessons learnt for rural innovation?</b>	discussion, exchange					methodologies, case studies, etc.) on past, actual and future challenges in the field of agricultural innovation
<b>Information event on Post-harvest validation in the ESA region</b>	<b>Mar 10;</b> HQ	<b>IN</b>	<u>Value chains and access to market</u> ; product conservation and processing	<b>Philippe Monteil</b> Max Streit	Division ESA	Together with post-harvest-ex-post evaluation in Central America
<b>GRAIN (Internat. NGO) Exchange on land grabbing, food security system, GRAIN's activities</b>	<b>17 Dec 09,</b> HQ Inputs by Henk Hobbelink, Coordinator of GRAIN, discussion, exchange	<b>IN</b>	<u>Policy+regulatory framework</u> , land governance	<b>Sabine Schenk</b>	GPFS, Swiss NGOs	14 participants, 7 SDC staff and NW members, 7 CH-NGO staff. Info + Discussion on "land grabbing" GRAIN's position and first ideas for a SDC position on land gov.
<b>Presentation and discussion of "Evaluation of SDC's contribution towards biodiversity: Impact on the Andean Region"</b>	<b>Feb 10;</b> HQ evaluation report available, management response in process	<b>CO</b>	<u>Sustainable agricultural production</u> , agrobiodiversity	<b>Simon Zbinden</b>	SDC - Controlling	
<b>Information event Post-harvest ex-post evaluation in Central America</b>	<b>Mar 10;</b> HQ Elaboration of TORs (until mid-June) Evaluation Jan-Feb Event in April 10	<b>IN</b>	<u>Value chains+access to market</u> ; product conservation and processing	<b>Max Streit</b> Simon Zbinden	Latin America Division	Together with Post-harvest validation in the ESA region

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Information/brief on the international trends, processes and discussions on A&RD and Food Security	Apr 10, HQ	IN	<u>Policy+regulatory framework</u>	Sabine Schenk Andrea Ries ? Others ?	GPFS	
What about Food sovereignty, Food security, Right to food? Meanings, relations, implications	Mar 10, HQ Inputs by Liliane Ortega	IN	<u>Policy+regulatory framework/Approaches</u>	Sabine Schenk Liliane Ortega	GPFS, Gender-NW, NGOs	
A&RD network's first general meeting ("face to face")	Jun/Jul 10; SDC priority country	IN	Workshop and progress report: learning groups land governance and rural advisory services; learning with local stakeholders land gov. and agr. extension; A&RD network's internal organisation	Sabine Schenk Markus Bürl M.Crettaz D.Stantchev Simon Zbinden Others	Local/regional stakeholders and networks	

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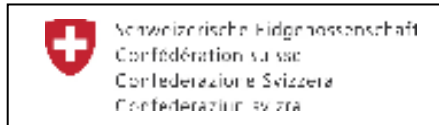
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Link to the private sector, Swiss NGOs, FAO	April 09; Meeting with Int. Potash Institute and ongoing	CO		Carmen Thönnissen	FAO, Swiss NGOs, Private Sector	Brief oral information to A&RD NW → June meeting ?
Link to the Swiss Forum on International Agricultural Research (SFIAR)	May 09 and ongoing	CO	Evaluation of SFIAR Services → forward evaluation form to A&RD NW	Carmen Thönnissen	SFIAR	
Link to the Global Donor Platform for Rural Development (GDPRD) <a href="http://www.donorplatform.org">www.donorplatform.org</a>	Ongoing	CO	Networking with other OECD donor agencies and main IOs	Sabine Schenk	Other OECD donor agencies, IFAD, WB, FAO, GPFS	
Link to CAADP/NEPAD, via GDPRD <a href="http://www.caadp-nepad.org">www.caadp-nepad.org</a>	Sep 09; Addis Ababa Follow up with Africa-based members of NW	CO	Brief on progress of CAADP, Preparation follow up L'Aquila	Sabine Schenk	GPFS Africa Divisions	Meeting held, Mission memo distributed
information and exchange <a href="http://www.poverty-wellbeing.net">www.poverty-wellbeing.net</a> –	Ongoing			Laurent Ruedin		
Link to IDS's <a href="http://www.livelihood.org">www.livelihood.org</a>	Ongoing			Laurent Ruedin		
Link to other networks (Gender, Climate Change, Water, Education, Health)	Ongoing			Laurent Ruedin	Networks Gender, Climate Change, Water, Education, Health	
Link to the CGIAR and	June 09 and ongoing	CO	Meetings in London	Carmen Thönnissen	CGIAR, GPFS	Up-date network and

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<b>its Change Management Process</b>		<b>(April 09) Brussels May 2009), Washington (Dec 2009)</b>			get input from network members
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