



**GCAN partners convene in Nairobi to share strategies for policy engagement and discuss capacity strengthening activities.**

From June 17-19, GCAN convened partners from five GCAN focal countries: Inclusive Climate Change Adaptation for a Sustainable Africa ([ICCASA](#)), Forum for Social

Studies ([FSS](#)), Aliko Dangote University of Science and Technology, Wudil ([ADUST](#)), Environmental Care Foundation ([ECF](#)), Initiative Prospective Agricole et Rurale ([IPAR](#)), Watershed Support Services and Activities Network ([WASSAN](#)).

The workshop brought the team together in person for the first time to deepen their collective commitment to advancing climate resilience, gender equality, and nutrition through evidence-based advocacy. Participants identified priority areas for capacity strengthening based on a recent needs assessment, shared lessons learned on effective policy engagement, and discussed strategies to enhance coordination across focal countries. Insights from guest speaker [Susan Kaaria](#) from [AWARD](#) and expert panelists from Kenya enriched the dialogue with valuable perspectives on empowering women in science and policy, and integrating climate, nutrition, and gender into national policy processes.

Read the [workshop report](#).



### **Stakeholder mapping workshop in Odisha, India**

GCAN's Net-Map workshop in Bhubaneswar, Odisha on February 25, convened stakeholders from government, civil society, and the private sector. Using the Net-Map method, participants mapped the key actors involved in designing, implementing, and monitoring climate change policies and interventions in Odisha. They also established

connections among these actors to show how they interact. The results will be published in an upcoming report.

### **GCAN has a new local partner in Odisha, India**

Through a highly competitive process, [WASSAN](#) was selected as GCAN's partner in India to lead policy engagement and capacity strengthening activities, with the goal of strengthening the integration of gender and nutrition into state-level climate action. GCAN is thrilled to welcome WASSAN to the initiative and looks forward to their valuable contributions in advancing inclusive and sustainable climate policies.

## NEW Publications

**Understanding the policy landscape for climate action in Kenya: Potential for integration of gender, nutrition, and improved impact monitoring.** This paper explores the institutional arrangements of the climate change policy landscape in Kenya by mapping governmental and non-governmental actors involved in climate action and how connected and influential they are. [Read the paper](#)

**Integrating gender and nutrition into climate policy: Insights from the GCAN Initiative in Nigeria.** This blog post highlights the efforts of GCAN's partners in Nigeria—ADUST and ECF—in collaborating with key stakeholders to integrate gender, climate change, and nutrition into policy and intervention frameworks. [Read the post](#)

**GCAN country briefs published for Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria, and Senegal.** These briefs provide a snapshot of the current state of knowledge on climate change impacts, gender issues, and nutritional challenges in GCAN focal countries. Each brief also includes a discussion on how these topics intersect, drawing on relevant literature, and provides an overview of the policy landscape and the extent to which these issues are integrated in national policies related to agriculture, climate change, health and nutrition, and gender. Read the briefs here: [Ethiopia](#), [Kenya](#), [Nigeria](#), [Senegal](#).

## Events



On January 21, 2025, ICCASA held a “Stakeholders’ Awareness Dialogue on Gender, Climate Change and Nutrition (GCAN)” and climate film viewing in Namanga, Kajiado County, Kenya.

On February 4, 2025, Elizabeth Bryan presented on GCAN’s work – Climate-Agriculture-Gender Inequality Hotspot Mapping – World Bank Agriculture & Food Days 2025 session on “Women, Climate, and Agriculture: Tackling the Unequal Burden”

On February 20, 2025, FSS held the first GCAN Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, featuring presentations by experts working on gender, climate change, and nutrition issues and including representatives from ministry offices, delegates from non-governmental organizations, and media representatives.

On February 28, 2025, IPAR, in partnership with IFPRI, organized an [awareness-raising workshop](#) for civil society actors on the interconnections between climate change, gender, and nutrition.

On March 13, 2025, ECF, our partner in Adamawa State, Nigeria conducted [a policy dialogue](#) on GCAN on in collaboration with the Adamawa State Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources. This event brought together stakeholders, partners, and other decision-makers from academia, government, and civil society to develop actionable strategies for integrating nutrition and gender considerations into climate change policies in the state.

On March 19, 2025, ICCASA hosted a “Gender, Climate Change, and Nutrition Policy Dialogue” in Murang’a County, Kenya

On March 24, 2025, Elizabeth Bryan presented in “Gender inequalities in climate change impacts and potential for women to catalyze solutions” at the Nutrition for Growth (N4G) side event on “[Investing in Integrated Climate and Nutrition Actions](#),” Paris, France (virtual presentation).

On March 25-28, 2025, Faith Gikunda, ICCASA, participated in the [Eastern Africa Agroecology Conference](#), where she emphasized the importance of integrating gender, climate change, and nutrition into agroecology strategies citing the Kenya Agroecology and Food Systems Transformation Strategy as an example.

On April 1-2, ICCASA held a 2<sup>nd</sup> policy dialogue on Gender, Climate Change, and Nutrition in Loititok, Kajiado County, Kenya.

On April 2, 2025, Elizabeth Bryan participated in the panel discussion on “Maximizing Partnerships for Climate-Resilient and Nutrition-Smart Farmers and Food Systems” during the Joint Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) Steering Committee and Private Sector Window Donor Committee meetings in Washington, DC.

On April 8-9, 2025, ICCASA participated in Kenya’s National Food Systems Stocktaking Forum in Nairobi, Kenya, ahead of the UN Food Systems Summit+4 Stocktaking Moment (UNFSS+4).

On April 10, 2025, Faith Gikunda, ICCASA, participated in a panel discussion on “[The Power of Timely Climate Action](#),” focusing on the importance of gender-responsive, and nutrition-sensitive climate action.

On April 10-11, 2025, Eric Kirimi, ICCASA, participated in the Food Systems Countdown Initiative (FSCI) workshop in Nairobi, Kenya, which aimed to explore how the FSCI framework could monitor and support [Kenya's food system transformation](#).

On May 19, 2025, Carlo Azzarri participated in the “Technical Workshop on Polycrises and Agrifood Systems Resilience” in Rome. The workshop, organized by FAO, explored the growing phenomenon of polycrises—multiple, interconnected crises occurring simultaneously—and their compounding impacts on agrifood systems, particularly in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Insights generated will contribute to future research and policy recommendations, with a particular emphasis on women and youth in agrifood systems.

On June 3, ADUST participated in a workshop for the “Development of Kano State Climate Change Action Plan,” involving key actors state ministries, stakeholders, and subject matter experts to identify roles and responsibilities for implementing the new Kano State climate change policy and to ensure coordination across sectors.

On June 24, 2025, ADUST held a workshop on “Climate Change Impacts and Responses of Artisanal Fishermen in Kano State,” to explore opportunities to strengthen the nutrition sensitivity and gender responsiveness of climate actions by the artisanal fishing stakeholders in Kano State.

On June 22-25, 2025, ADUST participated in a technical support workshop for the development of Jigawa State's Climate Change Policy.

## Forthcoming Events

GCAN is contributing to a session on “Boosting Food System Resilience Through School Meal Programs” organized by IPAR at the [Africa Food Systems Forum](#), August 31-September 4, Dakar Senegal.

GCAN and the Methods and Metrics sub-Area of Work under the CGIAR Gender Accelerator will host a panel discussion on “Women's Agency, Climate Action, and Resilience: Advancing Measurement of the Relationships” at the [CGIAR Gender Conference](#) in Cape Town, South Africa, October 7-9, 2025

Of Interest

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