Dear Sir/Madam,

GFAiR, hosted by CGIAR/ABC, is seeking to engage GFAiR members, partners and other interested stakeholders to form a [Collective Action](https://gfair.network/collectiveactions) on Agroecology.

**Purpose**

The purpose of this request for Expressions of Interest is to identify organizations interested in developing and participating in a Collective Action (CA) aimed at promoting agroecology. The objective of this initiative is to empower producers and other stakeholders as key actors in advancing sustainable agricultural practices that improve not only food security and biodiversity, but also resilience to climate change. In contributing to a more inclusive and sustainable agricultural transformation, the CA will encompass shared values, operational principles, and concrete strategies designed to demonstrate the importance of agroecological practices for food production, processing and consumption. Creating robust market linkages for agroecologically produced goods can ensure economic viability and scaling.

**Organization background**

[GFAiR](https://gfair.network/) is the only global multi-stakeholder forum in which public, private and civil actors, across all aspects of the generation, access, transformation and use of agri-food knowledge, collaborate through their own representative mechanisms to collectively shape the future of agriculture and realize desired SDG impacts. GFAiR is hosted by CGIAR / [Alliance for Bioversity and CIAT](https://alliancebioversityciat.org/).

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**Selection Criteria**

A Selection Committee will review the proposals to check that they meet the following criteria:

* As per the GFAiR Charter, CAs must include at least three partners belonging to the [GFAiR Constituencies](https://gfair.network/content/about-us) with at least one of them representing the interests of farmers/small-scale producers. Organizations may apply individually or jointly with others, which needs to be specified in the proposal. GFAiR may assist organizations applying individually to partner up with others in order to fulfil the condition stated above.
* Proposals must align with GFAiR’s [Partnership Principles](https://gfair.network/sites/default/files/GFAR%20Partnership%20Principles_0_1.pdf) and [Engagement Principles](https://gfair.network/documents/gfar-engagement-principles#:~:text=The%20document%20outlines%20the%20principles,working%20together%20towards%20shared%20goals.).
* CAs should contribute to [agroecology principles and practices.](https://openknowledge.fao.org/server/api/core/bitstreams/ff385e60-0693-40fe-9a6b-79bbef05202c/content)
* CAs must be inclusive, notably of women and youth, by incorporating gender-sensitive, responsive, or transformative approaches, and prioritising youth involvement.
* Results from CAs should enable transformative change with results applicable globally.

Organizations that fulfil these criteria will be invited to participate in a webinar to discuss the potential for developing a CA.

GFAiR Secretariat