

# Annual Report 2012



## CIP's Contribution to the Global Agenda:

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work with partners to achieve food security, well-being, and gender equity for poor

people in root and tuber farming and food systems in the developing world. We do this

through research and innovation in science, technology, and capacity strengthening.



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# Statement by the Board Chair

2012 was another successful year in the 40-plus year history of CIP. The International Potato Center (CIP) has seen steady programmatic and financial growth in recent years and 2012 continued this trend.

The year's highlight was taking the lead in implementing the CGIAR Research Program on Roots, Tubers and Bananas. CIP is the lead Center in this new and exciting research program and is joined by three other CGIAR partner centers: International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT), International Institute for Tropical Agriculture (IITA), and Bioversity International. CIP is also working in a total of seven other CGIAR Research Programs (CRP): Agriculture for Nutrition and Health, Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security, Dryland Systems, Managing and Sustaining Crop Collections, Integrated System for the Humid Tropics, and Policies and Institutions and Markets. These new CGIAR Research Programs also allow CIP to expand its research programs to continue playing an important role in improving potato and sweetpotato production systems and the livelihoods of millions of people around the world.

Financial indicators for CIP reflect sound financial stewardship. At the end of 2012 CIP showed year-on-year growth over the previous year. Moreover, CIP continued to implement streamlined and transparent administrative processes to be more accountable to stakeholders.

On behalf of the board, I would like to thank CIP's donors, investors, and all CGIAR partners for their support. I also extend my appreciation to CIP's management and staff for their continued dedication to the organization and its important mission.



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# Foreword from the Director General

Dr. Pamela K.  
Anderson



In 2015 the world will assess the success of the Millennium Development Goals. These United Nations goals set in 2000 were a framework designed to help more than a billion people rise out of extreme poverty. In 2002, CIP aligned its vision with the Millennium Development Goals on Poverty, Hunger, Child and Maternal Mortality, Sustainability, Slum Dwellers, Least Developed Countries, and New Agricultural Technologies. These areas became the foundation upon which we developed our research for development activities.

At the time, World Food Prize Laureate Pedro Sanchez noted that "CIP has taken leadership in assessing and realigning its program to meet the Millennium Development Goals, setting an example that can be followed by other Centers in the System". We should take pride in our decision to align with the Millennium Development Goals but in doing so recognize that the factors underlying our decision were based in the firm understanding that our research will only remain relevant if it delivers the results required for the time.

Today the world is focusing on Sustainable Development Goals. These include Economic Development, Social Inclusion, Environmental Sustainability, and Good Governance. The stories in this report demonstrate how CIP's research aligns with, and will continue to contribute to, the post-2015 global agenda that is emerging. You will discover how CIP's work on sweetpotato viruses has helped economic development in Africa and how CIP research is focused on improving incomes and gender equality in Bangladesh. You will also read how CIP scientist Roberto Quiroz has mapped

climate change to mitigate the impact of pests and disease and plan for future sustainable potato production, while on CIP's Lima campus plumber Juan Palomino devised an innovative way to reduce our water consumption to improve our environmental sustainability. These stories and our success in building a smarter, stronger CIP governance structure reassure me that CIP has done well to align with the Sustainable Development Goals and deliver a more food-secure world.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of our stakeholders, from the Heads of State, business leaders, and donors to the individual extension workers, laboratory technicians, and smallholder farmers who motivate and support us. We are also are grateful to the donors, policymakers, and other key partners who have challenged us. I would also like to recognize all of the researchers, staff, advisors, and leaders who have accepted the challenge to make the world more food-secure.

We look forward to continuing our work together through another year and advance CIP's vision of roots and tubers improving the lives of the poor.

**Pamela K. Anderson**

Director General





# Stories

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# Economic Development



## Facing up to Sweetpotato Viruses in Africa

The central challenges of sustainable development are the tasks of ending extreme poverty and promoting economic development, particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA), where food security remains a huge challenge for the millions of people who depend on agriculture for survival.

Sweetpotato is an extremely important crop for this region's subsistence farmers, who produce over 7 million tons of sweetpotato annually. However, SSA faces a major limitation in sweetpotato production due to the cumulative effect of virus infection. In 2011, CIP launched a collaborative project with the Boyce Thompson Institute (BTI) to study the Pan African sweetpotato virome. Since then, the initiative has been evaluating the deep sequencing and assembly of small RNAs from field-grown sweetpotato samples collected throughout Africa, to systematically and efficiently identify virus genomes.

The US National Science Foundation's Basic Research to Enable Agricultural Development (BREAD) and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation fund this research project.

There is a general lack of data and understanding of virus populations throughout Africa, even though such basic information is required to manage the spread and impact of these viral diseases. In order to identify sweetpotato viruses in

the field and understand the dynamics of virus distribution, the project carried out sample surveys, with the assistance of local collaborators across SSA in 2012, collecting more than 500 samples of sweetpotato for viral testing. The team collected samples at random every 5-50 km in Ethiopia, Guinea, Benin, Nigeria, and Tanzania. These samples were each tested for viruses.

The most common potato viruses include the Feathery Mottle Virus (SPFMV) and the Chlorotic Stunt Virus (SPCSV). Understanding these viruses and their distribution patterns is crucial for efforts to eliminate them from the field. Crops such as sweetpotato are prone to virus infection because they are grown vegetatively – farmers sow plant cuttings rather than seeds – so diseases can easily spread from one generation to the next. The only way to eliminate viruses from infected plants is through a laborious, time-consuming process that involves a combination of heat or cryotherapy treatment with meristem tip culture, which involves using the ends of shoots or roots

that contain the tissue that produces new cells. It is a process that has advanced little since its inception more than 60 years ago

The initiative that CIP is spearheading aims to develop an alternative method by cracking the RNA silencing code of different viruses, which would enable scientists to add modified RNA to a test tube and rid plants of viral infections through a simple, one-step process.

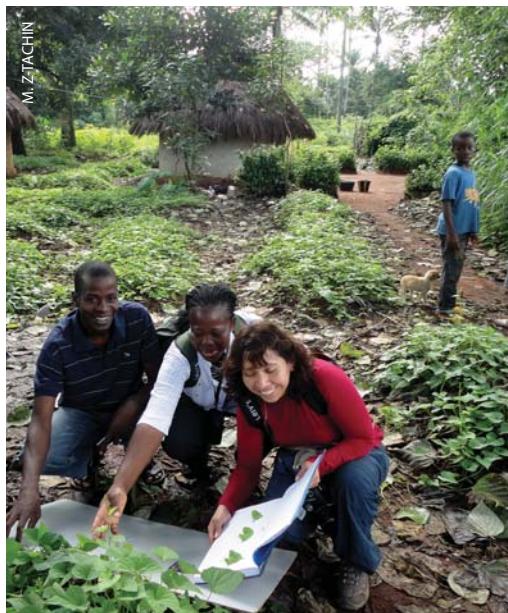
"It's like a plant vaccine," says Jan Kreuze, Principal Virologist at CIP. Viruses contain pieces of DNA or RNA (a complement of DNA) that fool the plant into copying and spreading them, causing diseases in the process. Plants can defend themselves against viruses using a type of RNA called small interfering RNA, or siRNA. The siRNA recognizes the viruses and destroys them by cutting their DNA or RNA into tiny pieces – a process called RNA silencing. However, the plant does not always win the battle, so CIP scientists are looking to find ways to boost the plant's defenses through its RNA silencing mechanism.

Kreuze is leading this innovative CIP research project, in collaboration with the Crop Research Institute of Norway. "Basically we're going to

add bullets, in the form of siRNA, to the plants' defense arsenal," says Kreuze. "It's science fiction right now, but if it works, then the lengthy, expensive cleanup process could be shortened from a year to a matter of minutes."

The purpose of the CIP project is to use new knowledge of RNA and plant defense mechanisms to help plants fight off viral infections. Kreuze and his team will stimulate RNA silencing and Systemic Acquired Resistance, or SAR, in infected plants *in vitro*. The goal is to tip the delicate balance between the plant's RNA silencing mechanism and the virus's ability to avoid and suppress this mechanism, in favor of the plant.

If successful, Kreuze and his team will produce 'kits' containing appropriate cocktails for different sweetpotato viruses, which could be used to help sweetpotato subsistence farmers throughout SSA, and the rest of the world, to increase their harvests and improve their livelihoods. While the project is initially focusing on sweetpotatoes, a successful outcome could see the technique being applicable to a wide range of viruses and crops, meaning it could enrich the lives of millions of the world's poor and underprivileged.



CIP's Dina Gutierrez records sweetpotato samples in Guinea.

Collecting sweetpotato samples in Zimbabwe.



# Improving Potato Production in Peru

The International Potato Center (CIP) and Peru's National Institute for Agrarian Innovation (INIA) created a new catalogue to promote a range of genetically improved potato varieties that were recently released in Peru.

## Catalog of new potato varieties: Flavors and colors

for Peruvian tastes, was launched at the Hotel la Posada del Rey in Trujillo on September 6, 2012, followed by similar events in Cajamarca, Huancayo, Ayacucho, Cusco, and Puno.

Over the last ten years, CIP and INIA have collaborated to develop and release 12 new varieties of potato for rural farmers in Peru. These new varieties have characteristics that include higher yields, improved quality and flavors, better pest and disease resistance, higher resistance to frost, and the ability to better adapt to new environments. Smallholder farmers directly selected most of the varieties based upon what they consider to be the "ideotypes" of a preferred potato.

The dissemination of new potato varieties poses a major challenge for potato breeders and supply chains. It is a slow process owing to factors that include potato's low multiplication rate; the absence of sufficient quantities of tuber seed during a varietal release; limited access of poor or

isolated communities to new technologies; an inadequate supply of tuber seeds with guarantee of origin, volume, and health; and a lack of information within state agencies and NGOs with regard to promoting new technologies and varieties.

With these limitations in mind, CIP collaborated with so-called 'decentralized research consortia' involving INIA, NGOs, universities, municipalities, and agricultural schools to find alternatives for selecting and disseminating new varieties more rapidly, through participatory varietal selection, demonstration plots, and other strategies. CIP prioritized participatory selection directly in the communities where the potato can make a difference, with special attention paid to involving women farmers. Information is key to spreading diversity, and the catalogue consequently emerged as a vital tool in promoting the new varieties. The publication was designed in a simplistic, colorful, and attractive manner so as to encourage a better dissemination of new potato varieties through active marketing



Many local farming communities are beginning to produce greater varieties of native potatoes to meet growing market demands.

and communication, and thereby increase the welfare of farmers with limited economic resources through the adoption of new technologies (the catalogue contains a directory of providers of quality tuber seed). CIP developed the improved varieties promoted by the catalogue in order to mitigate the effects of social and environmental change.

The catalogue's launch came at an important time for Peru, a country where more than 600,000 families directly depend on subsistence farming and income generated from potatoes. In the Andes, potato is the principal crop for smallholders, and its commercialization represents US\$ 500 million annually for Peru. New trends in the Peruvian and global potato markets, and access to the Brazilian market through the recently

completed Inter-Oceanic Highway, as well as the ongoing search for processing varieties, have further increased the importance of the potato as a vehicle for development. The need to expand and diversify crop production is of growing importance for the economy.

There has been a clear trend in supermarkets, both domestic and global, to demand a greater diversity of potatoes, better quality, and longer shelf life. There has also been a huge increase in demand for environmentally friendly products, and CIP developed the new varieties in the catalogue based upon models of sustainable agriculture without an increased need for agrochemicals.

Given the boom of Peruvian cuisine, which has generated greater interest in native potatoes,



## Participatory Varietal Selection

Since 2008, CIP and INIA have systematically conducted field studies in order to access varietal selection through the participation of local farmers in poverty hotspots. During field days, farmers identify and prioritize key characteristics they would like to see in improved varieties ranging from shape and color for producing chuño (freeze-dried potato) to issues such as taste, texture, cooking time, and resistance to frost or late blight disease. They also assess and select preferred characteristics (size, shape, color, quality, texture, taste, and others) among all improved potato clones derived from native landraces (i.e. CIP's B1C5 and bio-fortified populations). While voting is always anonymous, differences in preferences and priorities are divided along gender lines.

the catalogue should help to encourage farmers to focus on the production of indigenous varieties of potato currently in demand – both globally and domestically. At the same time, CIP's progress toward increasing the nutrient content (higher zinc and iron) of new potato varieties through biofortification will reduce the likelihood of malnutrition across the Peruvian highlands.

Varieties promoted by the catalogue range from CIP's Serranita, which is very resistant to late blight, to Pallay Poncho, which is popular with potato farmers in the south of the country for its flavor and texture. The catalogue presents these potato varieties and their benefits and characteristics in detail, as well as those of ten other varieties. Farmers across Peru interested in growing any of these

can obtain inexpensive seeds from INIA stations or NGOs located throughout the country.

"Our ancestors domesticated and improved Andean potatoes for thousands of years. They were the original breeders. With this legacy we have a large genetic diversity to create new varieties with higher yields that help reduce poverty," explains CIP scientist Manuel Gastelo. "The huge potato biodiversity we have inherited is what allows us to use genetic material with features such as high tolerance and performance. It is incredibly important that we encourage farmers throughout the country to work towards preserving Peruvian potato diversity while increasing production, as this will boost their levels of livelihood through the participatory development of new technologies."

# Sweetpotato at London Olympics 2012

The International Potato Center's (CIP) innovative contribution to the reduction of child undernutrition through the promotion of sweetpotato cultivation and consumption received attention from world leaders on the closing day of the Olympic Games in London. British Prime Minister David Cameron and Brazilian Vice President Michel Temer hosted the Global Hunger Event at 10 Downing Street on August 12, 2012, along with double Olympic gold medal winner Mo Farah, to urge a global drive to reduce or eliminate child undernutrition by the next Olympics. Maria Andrade, a CIP Sweetpotato Breeder and Seed Systems Specialist, participated in the event along with various heads of state and government, NGOs, and private-sector leaders.

Maria Andrade traveled from Mozambique to London to attend the event where she stressed the importance of orange-fleshed sweet potato (OFSP) as a crop with enormous potential for reducing child undernutrition. She was also able to share insights about her work on the Sweetpotato for Profit and Health Initiative (SPHI), a CIP multi-stakeholder program that aims to improve nutrition and livelihoods in 10 million households across 17 Sub-Saharan Africa countries over the next 10 years through the effective production and expanded use of sweetpotatoes.

During a discussion, she explained how repositioning OFSP within African food economies is resulting in the reduction of child undernutrition across the continent. "Orange-fleshed Sweetpotatoes are packed with vitamin A and other vital nutrients," she explained during a presentation. "A sweetpotato a day can supply undernourished children with the recommended amount of vitamin A. This is especially important in regions like Sub-Saharan Africa where 43 million children are



stunted and suffer from vitamin A deficiency, which is a significant contributor to early childhood mortality."

Andrade went on to emphasize other sweetpotato advantages. They grow in marginal conditions and require little labor and few chemical fertilizers, making them a cheap and effective crop in developing countries that need to grow more food in smaller areas.

During the event, Andrade also discussed 15 new drought-tolerant varieties of OFSP developed by CIP and released in Mozambique in February 2011, before calling on world leaders to invest in nutrition training at a community level and acknowledge that farmers adapt technologies faster when there are market opportunities.

"We join Prime Minister Cameron's and Vice President Temer's call to end global hunger and childhood undernutrition," said CIP's Director General, Pamela Anderson. Concerted action to promote agricultural research and innovative, pro-poor agricultural strategies are vital to achieving this goal."



## Promoting a Participatory Market Chain Approach

CIP's PMCA story began in the late 90's, when CIP's Papa Andina regional program began work to strengthen the capacity of R&D organizations in Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru, in order to increase competitiveness and improve the livelihoods of small potato farmers.

This led to a partnership with the Project for Potato Innovation and Competitiveness in Peru (INCOPA) and experimentation with a participatory approach to stimulate agricultural innovation. This in turn led to the development of PMCA in 2003.

PMCA essentially involves all the players that make their living from the market chain, including public and private service providers (such as researchers, credit providers, development professionals and chefs) in a facilitated process to identify and exploit market opportunities. The approach consists of three phases, beginning with an R&D organizational phase to identify potential partners and carry out research on the market chain. This is followed by a joint analysis of potential market opportunities, in which individuals from participating R&D organizations, such as CIP, facilitate groups to explore and analyze potential market opportunities. The last phase involves the joint development of innovations where partners focus on developing, testing, and

launching specific market initiatives with private partners.

CIP contributed significantly to the approach's development and its adaptation for different regions. CIP first developed PMCA in 2002 and applied it to market chains in the Andean region of South America. Its success led to subsequent applications in countries as diverse as Uganda and Indonesia.

Through a combination of market-chain innovation, policy changes and public awareness, PMCA has contributed to changing the image and perception of native potatoes in Peru. Previously considered a mere staple for poor farmers, native potatoes are now a Peruvian delicacy worth a premium in gourmet restaurants and foreign markets. As a result of increasing values in the market chain and greater recognition of native potatoes in different rural and urban contexts, the volume of native potatoes sold by farmers has increased by more than 70%

over the past decade, while the value of native potatoes sold has increased by more than 150% (at constant prices of 2011).

Since 2003, CIP has applied the PMCA in several Andean countries after improving the approach through the implementation of two PMCA cycles in Peru. The first application focused on the marketing of improved potato varieties; the second cycle focused on marketing native potatoes. Both initiatives were hugely successful, and resulted in the establishment of permanent organizations such as CAPAC (Productive Agricultural Quality Chains in Peru), which promotes the marketing of high-quality local agricultural products, and the creation of Peru's National Potato Day, which was established in 2005. CIP applied the same strategy to Ecuador in 2008.

As a means of promoting South-South Cooperation, the PMCA was then applied in Uganda, where the approach was used from 2005-2007 for the country's potato, sweetpotato, tomato, and hot pepper market chains. Reviews of the work done in Uganda reveal that the PMCA permitted R&D professionals and market chain actors to collaborate in developing mutually beneficial innovations. In 2012, it became evident that as a result of the innovations triggered by the PMCA in Uganda, farmers, processors, market agents and, in particular, women were able to increase their incomes and, in some cases, acquire productive assets, including land. Through the Uganda PMCA, CIP identified three ways to improve future PMCA applications: the development of funding for innovation facilitators, the development of services for entrepreneurs with emerging innovations, and the provision of support to small farmers to improve their capacity to respond to changing market demands.

The PMCA was applied to market chains for fresh and processed potatoes in West Java, Indonesia from 2008-2009. Upon evaluating the Indonesian case in 2012, CIP determined that the PMCA strengthened relations among market chain actors and between

them and agricultural researchers and other service providers. These improved relations contributed to innovation processes and created an environment conducive to future collective action for market chain development such as the Farmer Business School for supporting farmers in their business activities.

In order to foster economic development more effectively in the coming years, CIP will continue improving upon the PMCA based on experiences of its application to market chains in developing countries. The PMCA represents a new way to do agricultural R&D as it triggers innovation processes, which often continue and evolve long after PMCA projects have formally ended.

"The experience of the PMCA in the Andes, Africa, and Asia illustrates the value of engagement with partners in the field as both innovators and as innovation facilitators or brokers," says André Devaux, CIP Regional Leader for Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC). Devaux emphasized the importance of South-South learning to share knowledge and new approaches with other regions and partners. "The PMCA will no doubt serve as an increasingly useful tool for bolstering economic development around the globe in the future."



PMCA process replicated and applied to Uganda.



# CIP Project Wins Prestigious Agricultural Award in Uruguay

Judges awarded a CIP-led INCOPA/Papa Andina project first place in a competition titled "Agricultural Innovation Success Stories 2012," hosted by the Regional Fund for Agricultural Technology (FONTAGRO) in partnership with the InterAmerican Institute for Agricultural Cooperation

(IICA) and the InterAmerican Development Bank (IDB). The award was announced during the Second Global Conference on Agricultural Research for Development (GCARD2) in Punta Del Este, Uruguay from October 29 to November 1, 2012.

FONTAGRO received 102 nominations. The CIP project called "Innovations to assess the biodiversity of indigenous potatoes; the case of INCOPA/Papa Andina in Peru" won first place in the category for international organizations.

The award recognizes CIP's work over the course of thirteen years, when the Papa Andina and INCOPA Projects coordinated actions within a wide network of public and private partners in Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru. A principal objective was the promotion of innovation systems for poor farmers to improve food security, facilitate market access, and reduce poverty.

The project stressed the importance for smallholders to take advantage of the biodiversity and international culinary trends of native potatoes, socially and culturally. Hugo Li Pun, executive secretary of FONTAGRO, noted that those efforts have resulted in nine new commercial products, the celebration of National Potato Day, the Wholesale Trade Law for the Potato, improved technical standards, improved management of postharvest crops, production of quality seeds, selection of native varieties for processing, and integrated crop management.

Pamela Anderson, Director General of CIP, and André Devaux, CIP Regional Leader for Latin America and the Caribbean, accepted the prize at the GCARD2 conference. During the ceremony, Anderson acknowledged the 20 public and private partners for the INCOPA/Papa Andina project that helped to generate innovations to improve competitiveness for small producers of native potatoes in Peru.

# Biofortification of the Potato



According to the World Health Organization (WHO), iron deficiency is the most common nutritional disorder in the world. In developing countries, half of the pregnant women and about 40% of preschool children are estimated to be anemic. Health consequences include impaired physical and cognitive development, increased risk of morbidity in children, and reduced work productivity in adults. In the Peruvian highlands, up to 60% of preschool children suffer the stunting effects of malnutrition, with iron deficiency as the main contributing factor.

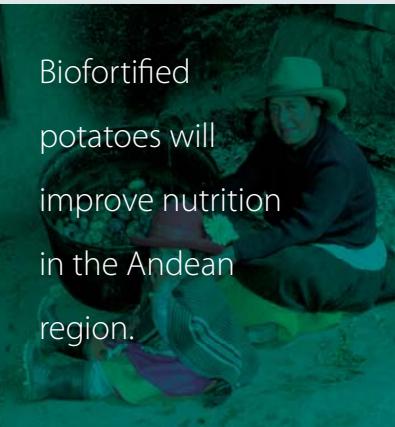
CIP scientists are consequently focusing on adding nutritional value to potato through breeding, or biofortification, as a way to improve health in poor communities where people cannot afford commercially fortified foods and vitamin supplements. Interestingly, the bioavailability of iron in potato can be greater than in cereals and legumes due to the presence of high levels of ascorbic acid, which promotes iron absorption, and low levels of phytic acid, an inhibitor of iron absorption. Their efforts are focused on identifying and breeding varieties that are rich in concentration and bioavailability.

The potato is recognized as a key food staple, but its potential for combating malnutrition is

not well known. "In the Andean altiplano, where there is little access to meat, it is an important source of dietary iron," says Gabriela Burgos, who coordinates the Quality and Nutrition Laboratory at CIP. "For example, in Huancavelica in the Peruvian highlands, women and children consume an average of 800 g and 200 g of potato a day respectively. So improving iron concentration and bioavailability in potato can have real impact in these areas."

In 2006, as part of the HarvestPlus program, CIP started to screen the genebank's potato germplasm for micronutrients (Fe, Zn, vitamin C, and phenol). Initial screening of 579 native Andean landrace cultivars and 315 improved varieties showed a wide variation for iron and zinc concentration and a large genetic diversity that CIP could use in breeding programs. CIP breeder Walter Amorós explains: "We selected a group of potatoes for their high levels of iron and we have done a series of crosses with them and studied the progeny. From a baseline iron content of 19 mg/k, after two selection cycles we've achieved levels as high as 35 mg/k." The future challenge is to combine these cultivars with CIP's advanced breeding lines that have disease and pest resistance, high yields and high acceptance from farmers and consumers for whom potato is an important component of their diet.

Biofortified potatoes will improve nutrition in the Andean region.







# Social Inclusion



## Improving Incomes and Gender Equality in Southern Bangladesh

CIP, in collaboration with the Asian Vegetable Research and Development Center (AVRDC) and national Bangladeshi partner organizations, has begun implementing a four-year Horticulture Project to improve the nutritional security and incomes of 100,000 poor households in Southern

Bangladesh through the exploitation at scale of the full potential of potato, sweetpotato, and targeted vegetables, as well as through the sale of planting materials. Shawkat Begum, CIP's Chief of Party in Bangladesh, is optimistic about the project's potential for improving the nutritional security and incomes of some of the country's poorest households. She is especially enthused about the impact it will have on her countrywomen, since CIP designed the project to be gender- responsive.

The four-year project, which began in October 2011 aims to improve the incomes and nutritional security of more than 100,000 households by securing food availability through increased crop activity and ensuring better access through income generation, seed markets and through participatory gender-aware intervention strategies. The project also aims to offer more profitable and healthier uses of produced crops by adding value and building capacity and through the establishment of greater food system

stability through yield stability, sustainable production systems, improved storage, and value chain resilience.

Begum and her team are integrating adapted varieties, such as nutritionally rich sweetpotatoes, into local farming systems using disease-free planting material, teaching the farmers techniques to improve their crop productivity, and potato storage, and helping them to access new markets.

While the project works with both men and women, several components are specifically for women. Bangladesh's unequal land inheritance laws and patriarchal society leave most rural women extremely poor and marginalized. Begum is all too familiar with the barriers her countrywomen face, but she is also well prepared to manage a project designed to strengthen capacities for innovative farming methods and increase their participation in value chains. She was born in the small town, Rangpur, in northern Bangladesh, and has two decades of



## Community women in participatory varietal evaluation of sweetpotato clones.

experience in development with organizations such as CARE and USAID.

"It will be a challenge to reach our ambitious target of 100,000 households within four years," she observes, adding that it is important that they contribute to changes in attitudes to ensure that the enterprises they help women create continue after the project ends.

Despite the demands of an ambitious start up, the project made great progress during its first year, 2012, reaching approximately 5,000 men and women. This included 1,216 women that the project trained in sweetpotato vine multiplication, to grow the crop and sell vines as planting material. Participants learned about the sweetpotato's nutritional value – the varieties are rich in beta-carotene (a precursor to vitamin A) and iron – and that the plant's leaves are also nutritious. Sweetpotato-leaf curry has since become popular in the communities.

"I think that sweetpotato has a huge potential to contribute to the poorest households, since it can be grown in tiny plots and it doesn't require a lot of labor," Begum says. She explains that one group of landless women in Barisal, which the project trained in vine multiplication, earned approximately \$130 per member over an eight-month period. The group generated this income from the sale of vine cuttings and sweetpotatoes – and spent the majority of their earnings on school

supplies and milk for their children. Another group in Jessor began grafting tomato seedlings in the tiny spaces behind their homes, but after selling a couple of crops of seedlings, the women had enough money to rent a small plot of land where they now produce seedlings. They are now receiving advance orders, so the project will begin to provide the group with small business training.

Begum claims that, "Female participants have said that in addition to improving their household diets and providing income, their participation in project activities have earned them prestige and a new identity within their communities." She adds that the project includes a gender research component, the results of which CIP can use to improve project activities, and apply in the design of future projects.

Rural women in Bangladesh, as is the case in many developing countries, are responsible for more than 50% of the food production and yet are often underestimated and overlooked in agricultural policies and strategies. Having recognized that increasing the role of women in agricultural production is essential for improving the nutritional status of families and generating greater levels of income in Bangladesh, CIP is committed to integrating a gender-responsive approach throughout the country. "I am enthusiastic about the positive impact that we are having on the lives of local women," affirms Begum, "and I am very confident that this project will be gender transformative."



## The Dynamic Conservation of Native Potato

Over the past 15 years, the International Potato Center (CIP) has carried out an initiative focused on the repatriation of native potatoes to communities located throughout the Peruvian highlands. In the early nineties, a number of traditional potato farmers began to notice that

the rich diversity of their native potato varieties was dwindling due to changes in traditional farming practices, terrorism, increased poverty, the outbreak of new potato diseases, and urban migration. This in turn led to a low supply of quality potato seed, which resulted in poorer yields and increased susceptibility to pests and diseases.

Fortunately, beginning in 1971, CIP collected cultivars from many of these communities, which were conserved in its earthquake-proof genebank in Lima. As a result of this effort, the Center is now able to return lost cultivars, disease free, to communities in a dynamic conservation cycle. This in turn leads to greater levels of biodiversity, increased social capital within the communities, and creates a relationship built on trust between CIP and rural farmers.

Concerned farmer groups catalyzed the effort by appealing to CIP for help, which marked the beginning of the collaborative repatriation of more than 400

different native potato varieties to various communities scattered across the Peruvian Andes. Rene Gomez, the native potato curator at the CIP's genebank, puts it simply, stating that, "This is a restoration of diversity, which in turn leads to a restoration of productivity with increased social harmony."

One of the first communities to receive repatriated clean potato seed was San Jose de Aymara. CIP repatriated more than 200 accessions of lost potato lines to the community. Since then the community has experienced a great deal of development, and today they generate a healthy profit by producing a wide array of diverse tubers.

However, the repatriation of native potatoes provides more than economic benefits to those impoverished populations. As Janny van Beem, CIP's Head of Genetic Resource Acquisition and Distribution points out, "The potato is sacred to Andean communities, and by repatriating lost tubers to these peoples, we are essentially helping them restore a sense of their cultural heritage."

## Ruta del Condor

The Ruta del Condor is a CIP initiative focused on the repatriation of native potato varieties back to their communities of origin, and the establishment of micro conservation sites spanning the spine of the Andes from Mérida in Venezuela, to Jujuy in Argentina. The aim of these centers is to restore, conserve, and develop a market chain linking enhanced production to consumption to improve the lives of rural farmers.



She continues, "The older generations can remember a lot of the really strange purple and semi curved cultivars we are returning to them. To see them again and to have a younger generation be able to cultivate them is incredibly important to these elders."

In 2012, for the first time, CIP repatriated native potato varieties to the communities of the Potato Park in Pisac, as in-vitro potato plantlets.



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In situ conservation efforts of the Ruta del Condor help local farmers manage and protect their resources.

"Repatriation through in-vitro seedlings offers the highest quality of clean seed compared to other planting material," says Gomez. "It took us 10 years to build the infrastructure and train the communities so that they could receive potato samples as in-vitro plantlets."

Through such programs as the Ruta del Condor, CIP has now repatriated over 1,200 varieties of potato, and more than 90

Flowering potato plants brighten fields at the Potato Park.



accessions of oca, olluco, and mashua, to more than 50 communities throughout Peru. Rene Gomez explains that, "CIP has helped create more than 12 community seed banks throughout the country where farmers can go to directly receive lost genetic lines." Once CIP has established these community seed banks, the communities manage and maintain them.

A further benefit to the communities in this cycle of restoration is that the cultivars they receive from CIP are all disease free. CIP treated all of the collected material accessions for viruses using the thermotherapy laboratory at the genebank. Returning the same cultivars to communities free of viruses and pathogens greatly helps the farmers, who in many cases lost those genetic lines as a result of viral diseases.

Repatriation creates an environment of trust between communities and CIP, and when farmers receive tubers they thought they had lost, they are far more likely to trust CIP with

other cultivars for future safekeeping. As van Beem puts it, "repatriation leads to a dynamic cycle of conservation where rural farmers are more inclined to turn over new cultivars to the genebank for security." This greatly benefits the conservation efforts of CIP. The reception of accessions from the same areas where they were once collected, and their comparison to older germplasm collections, will strengthen the scientific understanding of how the tuber landscape has developed over the past 40 years, and help scientists understand the effects of climate change on the development of tubers in these areas.

The dynamic conservation of native varieties of potato effectively provides communities with the tools, knowledge, and social capital needed to improve their livelihoods. While bolstering social inclusion, the repatriation of lost lines of potato also holds huge potential for positive scientific and environmental results, and CIP will continue to ensure the success of such projects well into the future.

# Sweetening Social Inclusion in Rwanda with a Sweetpotato Project

CIP has successfully launched the Sweetpotato Super Foods project in Rwanda as part of the Sweet Potato Action for Security and Health in Africa (SASHA) Project, which promotes the breeding, dissemination of high-quality planting material, production, post-harvest process, and

consumption of orange-fleshed sweetpotato (OFSP) in ten African countries. This project works to develop the essential capacities, products, and methods of mainly female sweetpotato farmers in Rwanda, to improve their income levels and social status within their respective communities.

Rwanda has some of the highest sweetpotato production in Africa, with more than 80 kgs per capita produced annually. Women are the main growers of sweetpotato in Rwanda, and the crop has become increasingly important due to serious disease problems that currently affect cassava and banana. The Sweetpotato Superfoods in Rwanda Project promotes an effective public-private sector partnership that provides evidence that sweetpotato products can be profitable and enhance the value chain while increasing revenues for local farmers.

In 2012, the project developed high-value sweetpotato value chains, and involved different local partners and national institutions such as the Rwanda Agricultural

Board (RAB), Kigali Institute of Science and Technology, non-governmental organizations led by Catholic Relief Services (CRS), and the private sector.

Initially seen as a poor people's crop, sweetpotato gained acceptance with the introduction by CIP and RAB of new orange-fleshed varieties with higher yields and better taste than local varieties. The OFSP varieties are rich in B-carotene, a precursor of vitamin A. Rwanda Super Foods Project supplies these varieties to RAB, which does seed multiplication through tissue culture and on-field rapid multiplication, and makes planting material available to cooperatives and other contracted farmers. "The Kotemu cooperative in Rulindo district, for example, decided to give it a try," explains Kirimi Sindi, CIP's Impact Specialist at the Nairobi office. "While the cooperative members could take some home to feed their families, they also had enough to sell to Urwibutso (SINA) Enterprises, the main processor working with the project. Success is contagious and soon neighbors were asking for vines to plant."



RAB has produced thousands of disease-free plantlets, driving yield increases.



Encouraged by the results, the cooperative expanded its production and all members received a profit from the sales. Kotemu members also learned how to process sweetpotato into bread, cakes, and doughnuts called mandazi. The Tuzamurane farmer group located in Rubugurizu village, Muhanga district, joined them. Initially reluctant to grow sweetpotato, the Young Women's Christian Association (an NGO contracted to work in the area) managed to persuade these groups to do so. In 2012, the farmers planted over 12 hectares and were able to harvest 700 kg of sweetpotato, 500 kg of which they sold to SINA. They hope to increase their profit in the next season, with the planting of sweetpotato on a 25-hectare plot.

CIP's SASHA project continues its work through training in production methods, and careful harvesting and storage practices, to avoid losses and damage during handling and to prevent rot. Since vines are in high demand, SASHA held training events in Rulindo and

Muhanga districts in September 2012. These focused on how to build vine conservation tunnels to protect the vines from insects and aphids that spread diseases.

In early November 2012, the Rwanda Sweetpotato Super Foods project in collaboration with SINA Gerard Enterprises, RAB, CRS, and its partners launched the "Akarabo Golden Power Biscuits", Rwanda's first orange-fleshed sweetpotato biscuits, which are rich in Vitamin A. Those tasty and healthy biscuits are now sold in supermarkets and local shops in Rwanda and neighboring countries. Only four Akarabo Golden Power biscuits provide 48% of daily vitamin A requirements of a child under nine years old, and 28% of a non-pregnant woman's daily needs, or 21% of an adult man's daily requirement.

The Project has positive social impacts on a daily basis, and while gender inequality persists in many areas of Rwanda, women



Community nutrition and sweetpotato education seminar hosted by Rwanda Sweetpotato Super Foods project in Muhanga.

Launch of Akarabo Golden Power Biscuits – Rwanda's first orange-fleshed sweetpotato biscuits.

who have taken up sweetpotato farming under the Project's guidance have found a firmer foothold within their own society. CIP continues to support such initiatives to give economic and social rights to all members of society and reduce all elements of inequality in a concerted drive towards sustainable development. As part of CIP's broader, 10-year, multi donor SASHA initiative, the project is expected to lay the groundwork for improving the lives of 10 million Sub-Saharan households over the next decade.





# Environmental Sustainability



# Sustainable Potato Production and Climate Change

Potato yields are susceptible to the increased atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), temperature, and precipitation levels associated with climate change. These factors can also result in an increase in pests and diseases. In response to the serious threat that climate change poses to potato

production, CIP has developed tools to assess probable impacts. In 2012, a CIP-led study reviewed potato responses to climate change variables, analyzed the likely outcomes of host-pathogen interactions, and developed models for simulating the behaviors of potato genetic diversity to assess adaptation options.

Climate change is expected to affect agriculture in general, but potato crops in particular are deemed more susceptible than others to the expected changes in temperature, radiation, water regimes, and CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the atmosphere. Contrary to a number of global studies that reported that increased levels of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> benefit potato production, CIP's research reveals evidence that long-term exposure to an enriched CO<sub>2</sub> environment can bring about a partial stomatal closure resulting in a decline in photosynthetic rates.

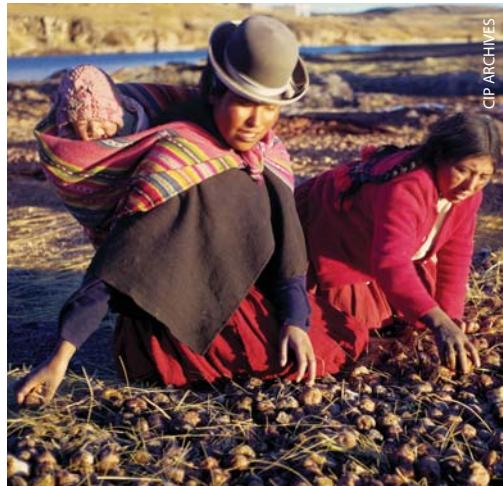
A rise in global temperatures as a result of climate change could signal a very real

threat to potato production in the form of increased pests and diseases. According to Roberto Quiroz, CIP's Leader for Production Systems and the Environment, "Major climate change factors likely to influence plant disease severity and the spread of pests include elevated CO<sub>2</sub>, heavy and unseasonal rains, higher humidity, drought, cyclones and hurricanes, and elevated temperatures." The CIP study also points out that genetic changes in pathogen population and higher infection pressure could increase the impact of diseases. Furthermore, temperature has a strong influence on insect development, reproduction and survival. While the long-term effects of increased vectors, pests, and pathogens are not altogether clear at this time, Quiroz argues that, "It is absolutely vital to begin creating models and assessing the results beforehand in order to be prepared." To measure the potential consequences of climate change, researchers rely on modeling tools, and in the case of potatoes, a potato growth model is fed with present and prospective climate data and the results are

compared. However, in developing countries such as Peru, where the weather station network is quite limited and the mountainous terrain results in microclimates, traditional climate change modeling is unfeasible. Quiroz and the team from CIP consequently used a groundbreaking approach to develop models using remote sensing and mathematical tools to obtain and generate daily weather data for complex landscapes where conventional linear corrections have failed. While this approach produced accurate models for potato growth, it also holds huge potential for application for climate change study in general.

In Peru, farmers cope with frequent droughts, frosts, hailstorms or excess rainfall by planting an assortment of potato varieties and landraces. Climate change will result in increased severe weather events, and the models developed by CIP simulate the expected behaviors of a wide genetic diversity, including the native and commercial landraces and varieties planted in Peru to deal with climate change. CIP assessed these varieties under variable climate conditions to determine adaptation options for future climates. Recent studies based on local meteorological networks have evidenced a significant warming since 1979 (0.32 -0.34° Celsius per decade). CIP simulated the behaviors of several potato varieties at a number of different sites with varied altitudes and climatic conditions, using a model to assess whether this warming trend had a significant effect on potato productivity. The findings were consistent with the warming trends and observation that there has been an upward migration of potato-based agriculture to higher altitudes.

Quiroz's team speculates that this upward migration of the Andean agricultural frontier



Rural farmers may experience increased hardships as climate change affects potato production.

will encroach upon grasslands and peatlands. While moving potato production upwards is supported from the point of view of productivity, Quiroz pointed out that the feedback to the environment in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions caused by converting grasslands into cropland must be factored into the equation. Wet grasslands and peatlands in the Andes are very rich in carbon content and the carbon molecules stored in those soils are likely to be released rapidly into the atmosphere as a result of crop production.



## The Dual Purpose Sweetpotato

Sustainable development cannot be attained without ensuring environmental sustainability, and this means finding green solutions that support economic progress. In 2012, an 18-year-old CIP research program on the dual-purpose qualities of sweetpotato – for production of both tubers

and leaves – resulted in a model that CIP could use to increase the livelihoods of millions of poor rural farmers and have a positive global impact on environmental development.

The reality faced by poor farmers worldwide is that growing human populations create increased demands on the output per unit of land for crops and livestock. This exacerbates malnutrition and poverty and leads to a food production model that is environmentally destructive and unsustainable. These intensified production systems employ continuous cropping methods, utilize few external nutrient inputs, and include the removal of fodder for livestock with limited recycling of nutrients and organic matter back into the soil. The result is the depletion of soil nutrients and organic matter, leaving barren lands and severe hardships for a great deal of poor farmers and those who depend on them.

More than 20 years ago, CIP's Carlos Leon-Velarde realized that mixed crop-livestock systems can play a crucial role in improving the environmental stewardship and incomes

of smallholders, and that better sweetpotato cultivation methods could improve the food security and diet of their families. Leon-Velarde and his colleagues at CIP recognized sweetpotato's potential as a remedial crop for such farmers because of its high productivity and low input requirements, while its usefulness for both food and feed (dual-purpose) makes it attractive in areas where land availability is declining.

Leon-Velarde formed a dual-purpose sweetpotato team focused on utilization rather than breeding, and as this team incorporated different management strategies for sweetpotato over the years, they began to increase the amount of foliage produced, and improved the quality of vines as animal fodder. The team tested different cutting frequencies as well as several genetic materials from the collection at CIP's genebank, before they managed to define an index of root to biomass to develop varieties that produce abundant vines while simultaneously maintaining good tuber productivity.



Carlos Leon-Velarde leads a training event on dual-purpose sweetpotato in Eldoret, Kenya.

Farmers in Central Kenya admiring sweetpotato silage.

Sweetpotato production takes approximately 150 days from planting to harvest, and if cropped for tubers alone, the plant will produce large amounts of roots, but relatively little vine and leaf material for fodder. However, Leon-Velarde's research revealed that if sweetpotato vines are cut 65 to 70 days after emergence, high quality fodder can be obtained. This fodder can be fed directly to livestock or stored in microsilos, and cutting does not affect the roots, so farmers produce the same quantity and quality of sweetpotato crops as usual.

As CIP-led research into dual-purpose sweetpotato progressed, the team conducted studies throughout Peru and in Ecuador, the Dominican Republic, Vietnam, China, Indonesia, Thailand, Kenya, Uganda, and Papua New Guinea. Initially the team sought two partners in each country to conduct tests and

analyze how increased foliage could improve the bio-economic situation of farmers in different cultures and environments.

Global research conducted by the team over the past five years has consistently demonstrated evidence to support the hypothesis that dissemination of dual-purpose sweetpotato can help to improve the livelihoods of smallholders using mixed crop-livestock systems around the world. It could furthermore lead to a system of food production that is far less demanding on the environment. Dual-purpose sweetpotato farming therefore holds huge potential as an environmentally sustainable means of agricultural food production that allows farmers to produce more quality fodder for animal feed and crop fertilization without harming their tuber yields, while simultaneously easing the environmental strains on cropland.



# Applying Environmental Sustainability Practices at CIP

In Lima, water problems are always an issue. Because the city is located in a coastal desert, water supplies are limited, whereas demand has been growing for years. A steady supply of water ranks as a high priority for CIP's Lima headquarters.

In 2001, the 60-meter well that supplies water for the agricultural research center was nearly dry. Only 70 centimeters of water remained, compared to 17 meters in 1989. Thanks to sustainable water management practices, the well's water level had been largely restored by 2012, and CIP's water usage decreased by roughly 50 percent from 200 m<sup>3</sup> to just over 100 m<sup>3</sup>.

In 2001, when it looked as if CIP's well was going to be tapped out, the decision was made to dig the well 60 meters deeper. Juan Palomino, a plumber at CIP, came up with a proposal to reduce waste and increase recycling.

Palomino realized that clean water was being lost due to inefficient pumps. Using techniques such as reverse osmosis, he helped set up a new system to recuperate wasted water and store it in a cistern to be used for irrigating CIP's fields. Today, nearly 80 percent of the water that Palomino's system recovers is clean water that was

previously lost. The remaining 20 percent is recycled after usage in fields, air conditioning units, and other areas.

"In addition to the important scientific work done by the researchers, we in the administrative department try to do our part by conserving vital resources like water," says Palomino. This includes irrigating CIP's gardens and lawns after six o'clock in the evening in order to avoid water loss from evaporation.

Inspired by the positive results of his water management project, Palomino attended a training course on how to construct solar panels, which was offered at the Agrarian University of La Molina, located across the street from CIP's Lima campus. He subsequently built a pair of solar water-heating units, which he and colleagues tested in Lima and at CIP's Huancayo station. The panels are currently installed in the dormitories of CIP-Huancayo.

In addition to conserving water and energy resources, Palomino has helped CIP's



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Palomino built a pair of solar water-heating units. The panels are currently installed in the dormitories of CIP-Huancayo.

researchers with innovative designs and construction for hydroponic, aeroponic, and drip irrigation systems. Palomino would like to install more thermal solar systems and is always looking for other ways to increase efficiency.

"When we talk about sustainable agriculture and the preservation of our earth's precious resources, we cannot just look to the farmers," notes Palomino. "It's important that we do our part too."





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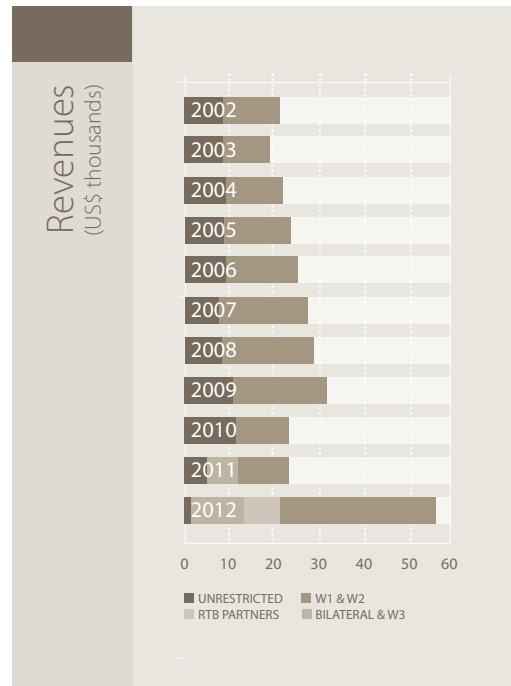




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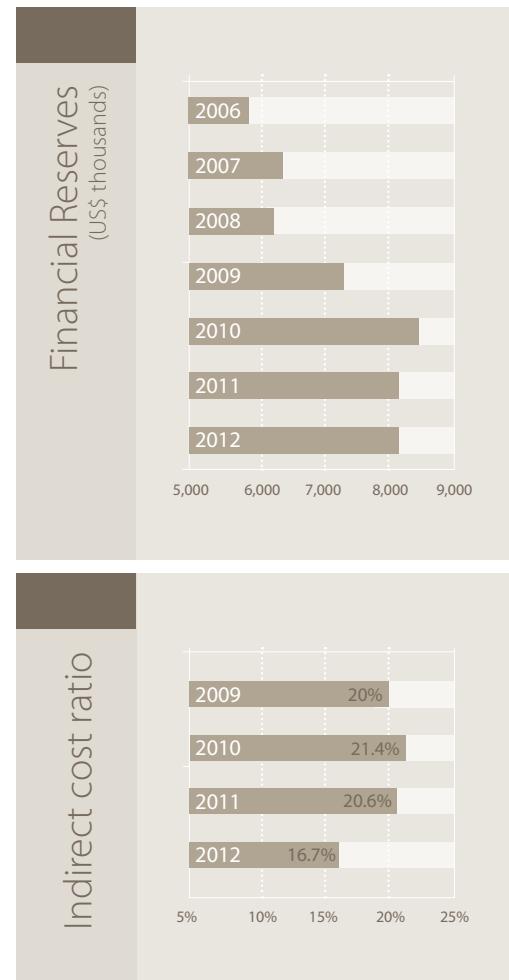
# Financial Report

The International Potato Center's total revenue reached USD\$57.1M, 69% above 2011. This large increase over 2011 is due to the start of the CGIAR Research Program Roots, Tubers and Bananas, in 2012, for which the International Potato Center is the lead center. Total Revenue included USD\$16.7M in CGIAR Research Programs revenue, USD\$13.2M in CGIAR Research Program Roots, Tubers and Bananas CGIAR partner center pass through revenue, USD\$25.5M in bilateral restricted revenue, USD\$1.1M in unrestricted revenue, and USD\$0.8M in other revenue, consisting of interest earned on investments and exchange rate gains. Although total revenue increased 69% compared to 2011, when the Roots, Tubers and Bananas CGIAR partner center revenue is discounted from the total CIP's revenue, the increase is 30% compared to 2011.



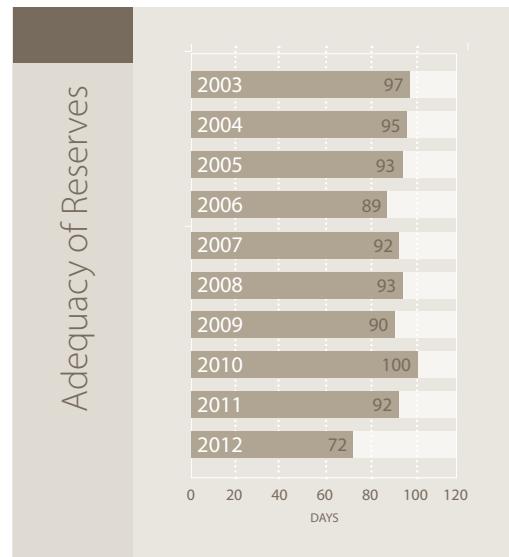
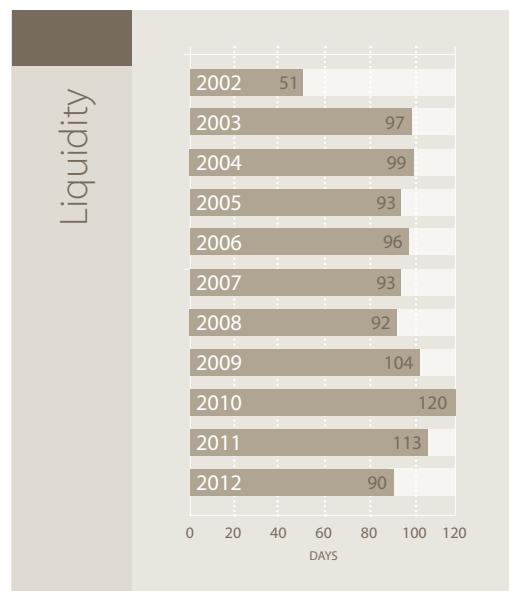
The International Potato Center achieved a USD\$0.2M surplus in 2012. CIP's reserves, measured as net assets minus net fixed assets remained steady at USD\$8.1M.

CIP's indirect cost ratio decreased from 20.6% to 16.7% in 2012. CIP is currently implementing a new ERP Accounting System and is still working on cost allocations to bring the center into line with the full costing principles in FG5.



The liquidity indicator (measured as net working capital plus long-term investments divided by the daily average expenditures excluding depreciation and CGIAR Partner

Center pass through funds) decreased from 113 days in 2011 to 90 days in 2012. The financial stability indicator (calculated as the unrestricted net assets minus net fixed assets, divided by the daily average expenditures excluding depreciation and CGIAR Partner Center pass-through funds) decreased from 92 days to 72 days in 2012. Both indicators decreased due to the increase of 30% in operating expenses in 2012; both these indicators are reasonable given the 30% increase in 2012.



CIP's financial position as of December 2012 is presented in the table below. A copy of the complete audited financial statements may be requested from the office of the Chief Financial Officer at CIP headquarters in Lima, Peru.

AUDITED FINANCIAL Statement of financial position

Year ended 31 December 2012 (USD \$000)

	2012 US\$	2011 US\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	11,003	7,775
Investments	21,132	15,135
Accounts receivable:		
Donors	2,701	2,304
Other - CGIAR Centers	8,199	1,728
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(1,336)	-
Employees	148	123
Others	268	672
Inventory	475	343
Advances	3,969	2,525
Prepaid expenses	379	399
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>46,938</b>	<b>31,004</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Investment	51	66
Property and equipment, net	5,675	4,431
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>5,726</b>	<b>4,497</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>52,664</b>	<b>35,501</b>
<b>Liabilities and net assets</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable		
Donors	15,750	13,992
Other - CGIAR Centers	15,253	1,280
Employees	263	231
Others	5,321	5,191
Accruals and provisions	194	399
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>36,781</b>	<b>21,093</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Employees	1,454	1,260
Accruals and provisions	527	597
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>1,857</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>38,762</b>	<b>22,950</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		
Designated	5,778	6,001
Undesignated	8,124	6,550
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>13,902</b>	<b>12,551</b>
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b>52,664</b>	<b>35,501</b>

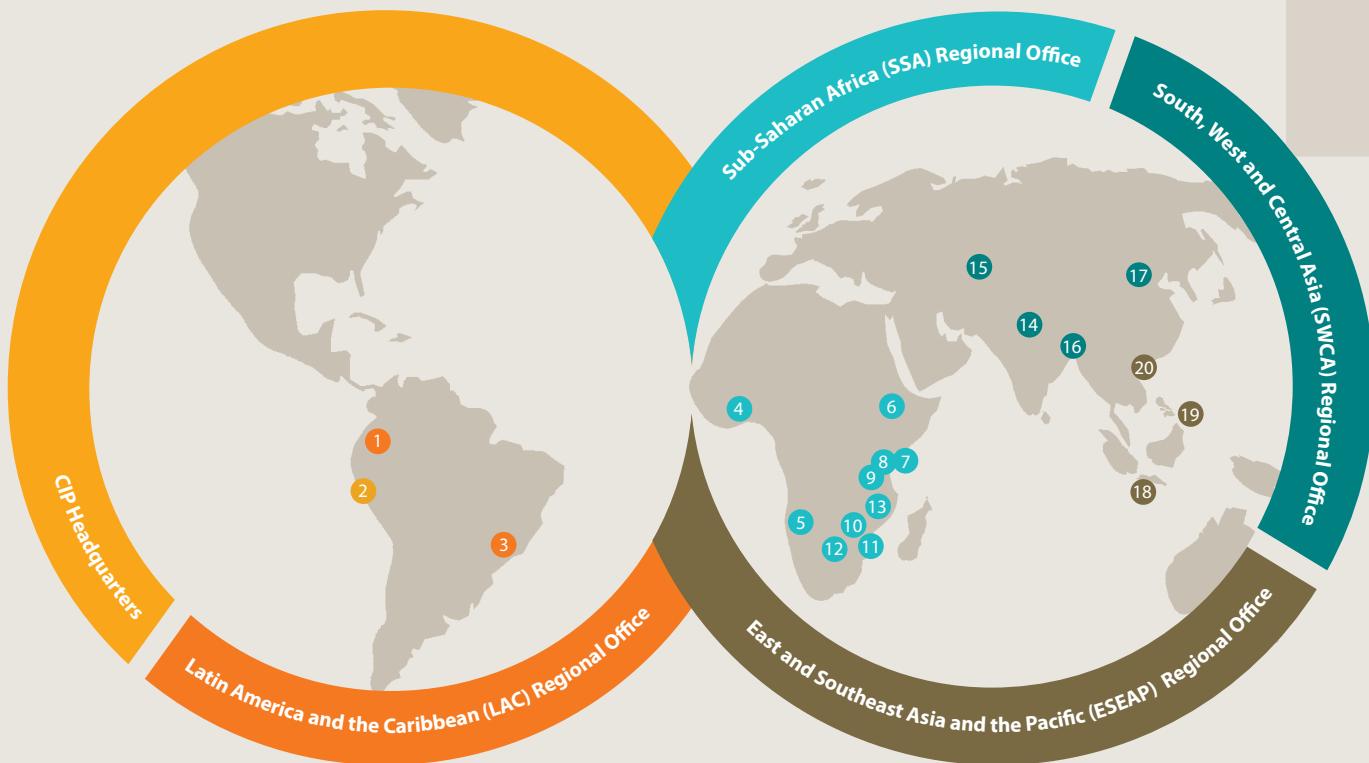
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## STATEMENT OF GRANT REVENUE For the Year Ending December 31, 2012 (US\$ 000)

### Donors List

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2012
Accion Contra el Hambre	66	66	
Asociación Pataz	1	1	
Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR)	242	242	
Austrian Development Agency (ADA)	634	634	
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	6,744	6,744	
Bioforsk (Plant Health and Plant Protection)	3	3	
Branston LTD	13	13	
Cabinda Gulf Oil Company (Chevron)	631	631	
Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)	125	125	
CGIAR Climate Change, Agricultural and Food Security	65	65	
CGIAR Independent Science and Partnership Council (ISPC)	62	62	
CGIAR International Fund for Agriculture Research (IFAR)	8	8	
Commission of the European Communities	2,384	2,384	
Common Fund for Commodities (CFC)	503	503	
Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA)	11	11	
Fondo Regional de Tecnología Agropecuaria (FONTAGRO)	98	98	
Food and Agriculture Organization of The United Nations (FAO)	107	107	
Generation Challenge Program (GCP)	18	18	
Global Environment Facility (GEF)	536	536	
Government of Belgium	573	573	
Government of China	120	914	1,034
Government of Finland		426	426
Government of Germany (BMZ/GIZ)		1,100	1,100
Government of India		61	61
Government of Luxembourg		179	179
Government of Peru		150	150
Government of Philippines	8	-	8
Government of Spain		142	142
Government of the Republic of Korea		138	138
Harvest Plus Challenge Program		363	363
ICGEB-TWAS-UNESCO/IBSP Joint Programme on Capacity Building in Basic Molecular Biology		19	19
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)		190	190
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)		550	550
Irish Aid	606	1,077	1,683
Julius Kuhn Institut		8	8
Latin American and Caribbean Environmental Economic Program (LACEEP)		9	9
Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (PCARRD)		6	6
Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)		18	18
Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)		187	187
Syngenta Crop Protection AG		55	55
The Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa (ASARECA)		399	399
CGIAR Centers	413	29,929	30,342
The Global Crop Diversity Trust		503	503
The Howard G. Buffett Foundation (HGBF)		26	26
The McKnight Foundation		182	182
The OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID)		43	43
The Scottish Government International Development Fund		74	74
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)		5,740	5,740
United States National Science Foundation (NSF)		86	86
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,147</b>	<b>55,398</b>	<b>56,545</b>

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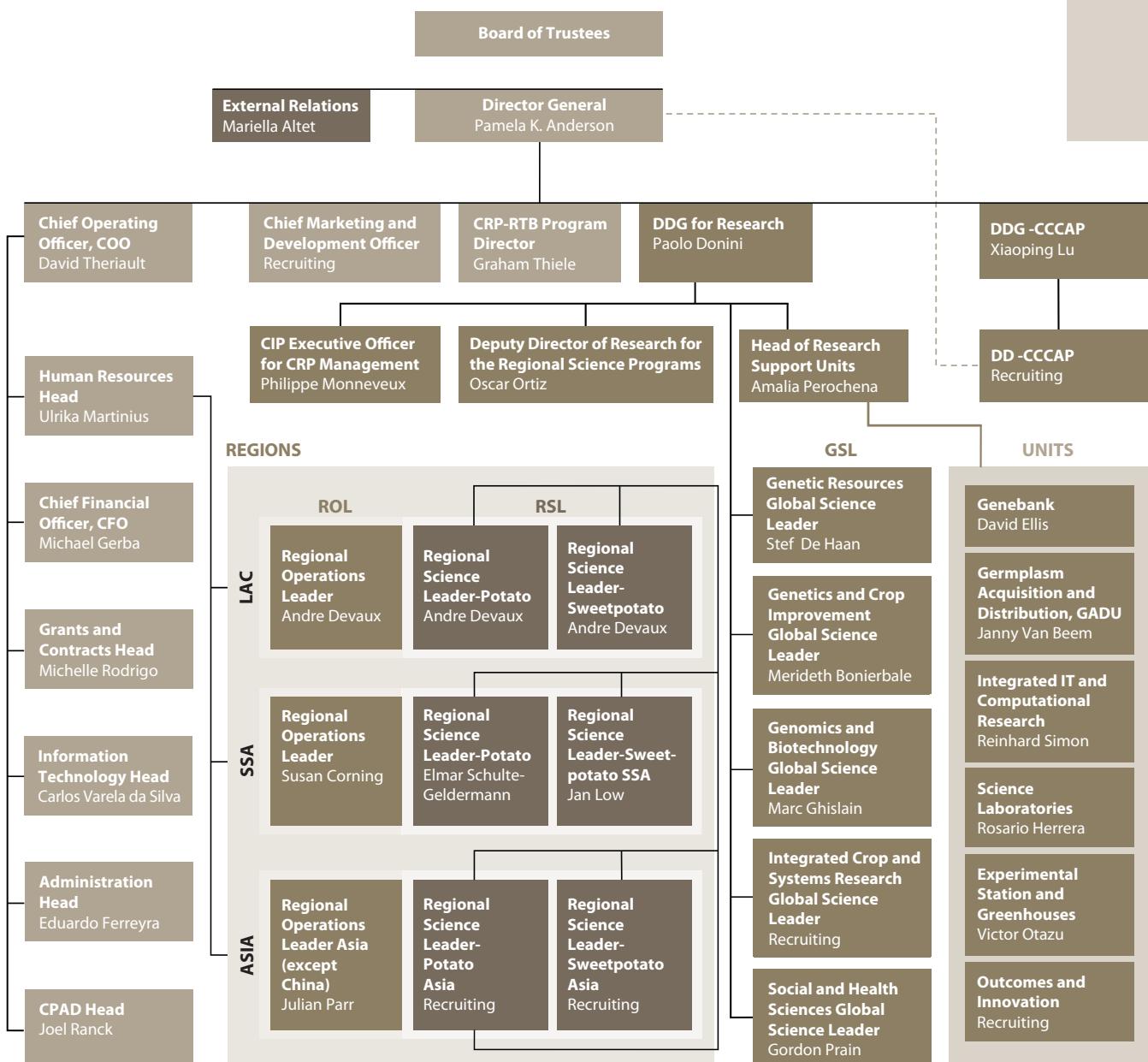
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# CIP's Internal structure



ROL= Regional Operating Leader

RSL= Regional Science Leader

GSL= Global Science Leader

# Staff list

## 1. Administration

### Director General's Office

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### Human Resources Department

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Huanes, Martha, Training and Development Officer  
Isla, Rocío, Social Worker, Social Welfare and Health Supervisor  
Olazo, Liliana, Administrative Assistant  
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Puccini, Alfredo, Human Resources Analyst  
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Vargas, María Alejandra, C&B Assistant  
Villa, Walter, Doctor

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Patiño, Milagros, Budget Supervisor  
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Garcia, Harol, Systems Assistant  
García, Paulo, Helpdesk Assistant  
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Junchaya, José, Network Administrator  
Llantoy, César, Helpdesk Assistant  
Navarro, Mayra, Systems Assistant  
Puchuri, Jacqueline, Administrative Systems Analyst  
Quintana, Miguel, Systems Analyst  
Rodríguez, Saúl, Web Systems Analyst  
Torres, Edgardo, Systems Development Administrator  
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#### **Administration Office**

##### **Ferreira, Eduardo, Manager of Administration**

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Ramos, Martín, Research Technician  
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Rodríguez, José, Research Technician  
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**Experimental Stations and Greenhouses**  
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Cumpa, Jhony, Field Laborer  
Domínguez, Augusto, Field Laborer  
Espinoza, Israel, Gardener  
Huarcaya, Alberto, Field Laborer  
Lara, Carmen, Secretary  
Lifoncio, Domingo, Field Laborer  
Mena, Victor, Greenhouse/Field Laborer  
Merma, Luis, Greenhouse/Field Laborer  
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Olmedo, José, Driver (tractor)  
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Coz, Armando, Driver  
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Marín, Fernando, Maintenance Technician  
Montes, Marco, Field Laborer  
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