From Research to Resilience:
WLE webinar series
Securing inclusive land restoration
Program

- Overview

- 2 Ignite talks: Drs Ermias Betermariam and Padmaja Ravula
- Dilution of Policy Intent on Gender and Social Inclusion
  Inside the Institutional Blackbox

- Panel Discussion: Drs Pramod Joshi, Marlene Elias and Gete Geleke
  key challenges to putting into practice a social-ecological framing of
  restoration?
  a feminist political approach to restoration?
  restoration investments: how can these be made more effective, sustainable
  and equitable?
WLE: Restoration, Gender and Inclusion

- 4 Flagship Initiatives – all speak to restoration: WLE frontrunner to One CGIAR agenda of “sustainable food systems”; gender and social inclusion: crosscutting

- 3 foundational goals: cutting-edge, transdisciplinary knowledge; building capacity of [CG researchers] partners; policy-relevant outcomes

- Gender Transformative Approach: 2014 Strategy; 2019 onwards ‘tackling the root causes, and not just addressing the symptoms” of gender inequality

- doing different things, differently: biophysical scientist wins WLE gender research grant; two young female researchers mapping the hierarchy of gender know-how in restoration landscapes
Key restoration-GESI outputs and outcomes

Restoration for Whom, by Whom? A Feminist Political Ecology of Restoration
Marièle Elias, Deepa Joshi, Ruth Meinzen-Dick
pp. 3-15

Breakout 2: When bio-physical and feminist researchers come together: critiquing claims of the “wise use” of wetlands
Moderator: Arunima Hakhu, IWMI
Case study and panel discussion on wetlands
Deepa Joshi and Arunima Hakhu, IWMI, Introduction
Panelists:
- Sanjiv De Silva, IWMI
- Ritesh Kumar, Wetlands International – South Asia
TAKE AWAY GENDER AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

- End of Program Evaluation: 8 projects; reflexive – linking outputs with processes and institutional landscapes and cultures

- Policy intent: transformative agenda viz-a-viz instrumentalist approaches - adding in women (gender an after thought): local – community, household levels

- Uneven gender (social inclusion) capacity and know-how of key institutional stakeholders; not disassociated from values and mindsets; Objectivity: science and scientists

- Transformative change: institutional cultures impact research agendas, outputs and outcomes.