

Theory of Change

We envision a world where agriculture is regenerative, resilient, and equitable, addressing the interlinked challenges of climate change, biodiversity loss, and social inequity.

Mission: Transforming agriculture towards a sustainable and equitable future for communities.

Vision: Agriculture healing and nourishing our extraordinary planet.

Advance solutions for climate change mitigation and adaptation to improve ecological, economic, and social sustainability

Activities

- Pilot and scale mitigation and adaptation solutions across agricultural supply chains.
- Enable learning exchanges, capacity building and Action Labs to foster collaboration.
- Promote innovative techniques for water conservation, soil restoration and landscape transformation.
- Facilitate financing mechanisms for farming communities and local stakeholders.
- Encourage impact investing, sustainable finance solutions and market incentives.

Outputs

- Logical frameworks and actionable strategies for regenerative agriculture.
- Inclusive approaches to promote full participation of women and other vulnerable groups.
- Digital platforms, decision-making tools, and data repositories accessible to stakeholders.

Outcomes

- Broader adoption of climate-smart and regenerative agriculture practices.
- Strengthened stakeholders' capacity to face climate change challenges.
- Improved access for farmers to high-value markets.
- Climate and agriculture decisions guided by data and evidence.
- Corporate stakeholders delivering on their ESG commitments.
- Effective and strategic use of grant and blended funding.

Impacts

- Agricultural systems are sustainable and climate resilient.
- Farming communities are better equipped to adapt to changing climate and fluctuating markets.
- SAN members collaborate effectively with key agricultural stakeholders.

Empower farming communities to build resilience and equity, through collaborative and inclusive programming that secures and enhances rural livelihoods

Activities

- Develop participatory programs and training approaches and programs.
- Design inclusive projects with GESI principles.
- Promote women's leadership and access to finance.
- Provide GESI capacity-building for partners and stakeholders.
- Develop GESI monitoring frameworks.
- Enhance farm and livelihood diversification for better and more stable income.

Outputs

- GESI responsive and transformative approaches mainstreamed across all SAN's programming.
- Disaggregated data available to inform inclusive program performance.
- Inclusive, market-based and landscape-level solutions adopted.

NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS

Enhance agrobiodiversity and ecosystem services to improve profitability, promote sustainable farming and restore environmental balance

Activities

- Train farmers on the environmental and human health risks of pesticides, and empower them to make informed and sustainable decisions on their farms.
- Provide ecosystem-based adaptation guidance to farmers and landscape stakeholders.
- Promote locally adapted IPM and soil conservation strategies.
- Incentivize farmer-led promotion of best pest management techniques.
- Enhance biodiversity services for crop- and region-specific natural pest-control.
- Provide training to IPLCs for agrobiodiversity stewardship.

Outputs

- Practical tools and training to scale IPM and soil conservation.
- Updated approach to phase-out hazardous pesticides and promote safer alternatives.
- Model farms showcasing and promoting agrobiodiversity and nature-based solutions.
- In-farm areas established to support biodiversity.

Outcomes

- Increased awareness of agrobiodiversity value among farming communities and supply chain stakeholders.
- Nature-based solutions and agroecological approaches implemented at farm and landscape levels.
- Community-based biodiversity monitoring systems in place.
- Lower dependence on external and hazardous agricultural inputs.
- Improved market access and compliance with sustainability standards and regulations.
- SAN data tools contributing to open-source knowledge platforms.

Impacts

- Agrobiodiversity is restored, preserved, and enhanced.
- People and ecosystems are healthier, and their resilience is strengthened.
- Biodiversity conservation is systematically integrated in agriculture development strategies.

Outcomes

- Increased decision-making power and resource-access for indigenous people, women and youth.
- GESI-disaggregated data informing programmatic decisions and strategy adjustments.
- Farming communities more resilient to market volatility and external shocks.

- Farming communities and supply chains are equitable and inclusive.
- Agricultural production supports stable and sustainable living income.
- GESI principles are embedded across the agricultural supply chains.
- Agriculture becomes a viable and attractive path for younger generations.