

## About the Project

This project is aimed at Enhancing gender equality and empowerment of young and adult (Y/A) rural women in all their diversity in Tanzania.

It will use a gender transformative, participatory, and agroecological approaches to achieve three outcomes namely:

- i) Enhanced and more systematic engagement of and by diverse Y/A rural women from FHH and MHH in public leadership and gender-transformative decision-making processes including women's and farmers' rights and climate adaptation.
- ii) Strengthened prevention of and response to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV), including harmful traditional practices (HTPs), by individuals (f/m) and state/civil society actors.
- iii) Enhanced benefit for Y/A women, particularly from FHHs, in climate-resilient and local food systems including income-generation.

It is believed that through implementation of different interventions, the project will lead into the following results:

- Increased capacity and opportunity for leadership of a diversity of Y/A rural women smallholders in farmer-led CBOs, networks and collective enterprises that focus on agroecology, farmer seed systems, and rural women's empowerment.
- Increased knowledge, skills, and opportunities for diverse Y/A rural women and men to advocate for gender-transformative change in institutional and public policy decision making processes.
- Increased awareness and knowledge of Y/A men and women, boys and girls in rural communities of women's rights related to SGBV.
- Increased capacity of local providers (e.g. government agencies, CSOs) to prevent and respond to SGBV for women and

men in rural communities.

- Enhanced knowledge, skills and opportunities for young/adult rural women, particularly from FHHs, in agroecological food and seed production, biodiversity-based marketing, entrepreneurship, and income generation.
- Increased support for diverse Y/A rural women's access to and control over productive resources in rural institutions, CBOs, and farmers' groups.

## **Geographical Location:**

**Regions:** Morogoro, Manyara and Kilimanjaro

**District Councils:** Gairo DC, Morogoro DC, Mbulu TC, Babati TC, Same DC and Mwanga DC

## **Funding:**

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## **Main Implementing Partners:**

- Participatory Ecological Land Use Management (PELUM) Tanzania
- Tanzania Gender Networking Programme (TGNP).

## **Grassroot Implementing Organizations/partners:**

- Devotional and Dedicated Services Community Development Organization (DDS)
- Same, Mwanga Environmental Conservation Advisory (SMECAO)
- Community Support Initiative Tanzania (COSITA)
- Knowledge and Information Centers (Existing and others to be established)

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