# Concept note template[[1]](#footnote-1)

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| CCAFS Flagship |
| Line 1: CCAFS Flagship where this project falls  Line 2:,Specific Flagship component(s) being addressed (e.g. 1.2, 2.1 etc.) |
| Title |
| Give a title for this project (max 2 lines) |
| Regional Focus |
| Geographic region in which this project will take place.  Delete all but one of the following: **Latin America**, **West Africa**, **East Africa**, **South Asia**, **South-East Asia**, **Other** (specify), **Global** (if a global activity, not regional). |
| Target countries |
| List the countries where research will take place, if relevant |
| Target CCAFS sites (climate smart villages) |
| List CCAFS sites, if any, that will be involved. Consult these at: <http://ccafs.cgiar.org/regions> |
| Project summary |
| Describe the basic idea of this project, in a format suitable for general readership on the web (max 10 lines) |

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| Key research outputs (Criteria 5) |
| Research products that will be developed to deliver the Outcome (e.g. prioritization tools, CSA evidence, etc.). What are the new innovations? Who is going to be doing what research activities, and what do they aim to accomplish during the project? (max 6 bullets) |
| Outcomes after four years (contributes to Criteria 1 and 3) |
| Outcome statement. What will the next-users do differently (e.g., policies, investments, services, practice) as a result of project outputs? Be specific, relative to the Targets of the Flagship (max 10 lines) |
| Contribution to CCAFS theory of change and regional impact pathways (Criteria 2) |
| Very brief narrative of assumptions made in the project, and strategies to ensure that research outputs will contribute to the theory of change of CCAFS, and the regional impact pathways. If your activity requires inputs from other projects in order to achieve Outcomes, then include them in the theory of change (max 10 lines) |

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| *Contribution to CGIAR Intermediate Development Outcomes (IDOs) as specified in CCAFS Phase 2 document[[2]](#footnote-2) (contributes to criteria 1 and 3)* |
| Gender and social differentiation |
| How will this activity contribute to increased control, by women and other marginalized groups, of assets, inputs, information and decision-making? Give a concrete measurable contribution (measurable by end of 2016). (max 6 lines) |
| Adaptive capacity |
| How will this activity increase capacity in low-income communities (and supporting organizations) to adapt to climate variability, shocks and longer-term changes leading to more climate-resilient livelihoods? Also give a concrete measurable contribution (measurable by end of 2016). (max 6 lines) |
| Policies |
| Answer as relevant (max 6 lines):   * Number of countries where CCAFS science will inform agricultural, climate or food security policies (by 2016). Number of individuals that will benefit (by 2023). * Resulting annual percent increase in investment in climate-smart agriculture (by 2018). * Number and identity of global, regional, national development organizations using CCAFS-derived tools and approaches to inform climate-smart agriculture investment (by 2018). |
| Food security |
| How will this activity increase and stabilize access to food by rural and urban poor? Give a concrete measurable contribution (measurable by end of 2016). (max 6 lines) |

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| ***Budget (US$ per year) (Contributes to criteria 3)*** | | | | |
|  | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| Requested funds (“CGIAR Window 1/2") |  |  |  |  |
| Bilateral (raised by CGIAR Centers) |  |  |  |  |
| Leveraged (by non-CGIAR partners)  If secure, please give email address of contact person. |  |  |  |  |
| Total project budget |  |  |  |  |
| Primary partners that will receive funding (contributes to criteria 4) | | | | |
| List in bullets key partners who will receive project funding, including role, and ballpark percent of budget assigned to each. | | | | |
| Other partnerships for enabling outcomes (contributes to criteria 4) | | | | |
| List the partners involved (not receiving funding) for out-scaling and achieving impact (e.g. international climate finance orgs, governments, development agencies), including role. | | | | |
| Evidence of capacity (contributes to criteria 4) | | | | |
| Brief summary of evidence that the project team has the required breadth of expertise, and/or that external technical partners provide the necessary capacity (max 6 lines) | | | | |
| Degree of focus on cross-cutting issues of importance to CCAFS (criteria 6) | | | | |
| Briefly describe how gender and social differentiation, inter-Center collaboration, capacity building, and open-access data are to be considered in this project (max 6 lines) | | | | |

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2. <http://ccafs.cgiar.org/sites/default/files/files/CCAFS%20Phase%202%20Second%20Order%20Draft%20plus%20ToC.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)