



**People Shaping
their
Sustainable Futures**

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- Sustainable Agriculture and rural Development Initiative

Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development Initiative (SARD)



**led by Civil Society,
supported by Governments
& Intergovernmental Organizations,
convened by FAO**

Introduction

- What is SARD?
- The SARD Initiative
(who, objectives, priorities, history)
- What is new?
- How the Initiative would work

What is SARD?

culturally appropriate

ecologically sound

SARD

economically viable

socially just

Who is involved ?



SARD Initiative-Objective



**people centred sustainable agriculture
and rural development**

to conserve, restore, and improve

- environmental
- economic
- social well being

Why do we need an Initiative?

Disadvantaged people often unable to secure or improve livelihood



due to

resource constraints,
lack of influence over policies,
processes and institutions

SARD Initiative-Priorities



improved access to resources

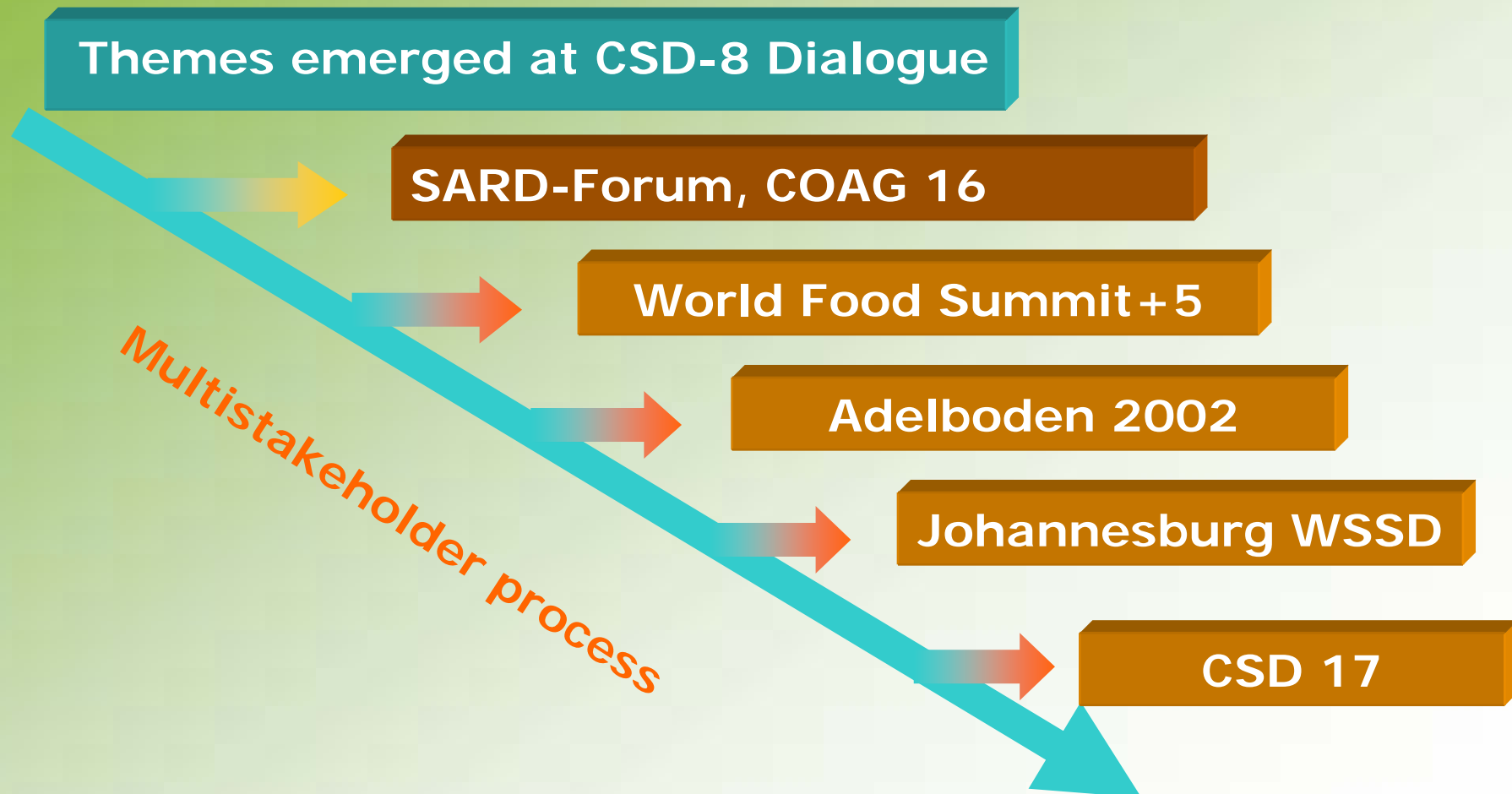


fairer conditions of employment in agriculture



better sustainable agriculture and rural development practices

SARD Initiative-History?



What is new?

**catalytic support to
strengthen capacities**

**provides
a framework
for local,
regional,
national
initiatives**

**SARD
Initiative**

**scales-up successful
experiences**

**promotes
greater use
and benefits
from existing
resources**

**links resources,
expertise,
knowledge and
technology**

Documenting successful experiences

- Bolivia
- Honduras
- Guinea
- India
- Kenya
- Peru
- Tanzania
- Vietnam
- Zambia

Documenting successful experiences:

- **CROP PRODUCTION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT**
- Conservation Agriculture for smallholder farmers in dryland areas, Laikipia District, Kenya

- **DISEASES AND PESTS OF ANIMALS AND PLANTS**
- Agricultural Workers and Integrated Production and Pest Management, Uganda
- Biocontrol-based IPM for the Diamondback moth (*Plutella xylostella*), Eastern and Southern Africa
- **FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION**
- Participatory fisheries Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) of small scale fishing zone, Guinea

- Efficient post-harvest processing techniques, Africa
- **FOREST MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION**
- Forest plantation development system for equitable benefit-sharing, Ghana
- Community based forest management among pastoralist communities, Suledo forest, Tanzania

- Afforestation initiative, Kakamega, Kenya
- **LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT**
- Community-managed pastoralist slaughterhouse Keekonyokie, Kenya

Documenting successful experiences

❑ **PROPERTY RIGHTS**

- ❑ Mapping and documentation exercise on property grabbing among orphans and vulnerable children, Zambia


- ❑ Capacity building of local community members in claiming land title deeds, Nyando basin, Kenya

❑ **RURAL LIVELIHOOD AND FOOD SECURITY**

- ❑ Participatory technology development, Masavengo, Zimbabwe
 - ❑ Farmer life schools for food security and HIV/AIDS, South Africa
 - ❑ Reducing human-elephant conflict and ensuring farmers' food security around Kakum Conservation Area, Ghana
 - ❑ Rural savings and credit scheme, Kiamuhu self help group, Gatundu, Kenya
 - ❑ Establishment of small and medium forest-based enterprises, The Gambia
 - ❑ Farmer field school to enhance revenue generation and social cohesion, Democratic Republic of Congo
 - ❑ Box gardens for vulnerable households, Kitwe, Zambia
- ## ❑ **SUSTAINABLE NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**
- ❑ Promotion of organic agriculture, Bungoma District, Kenya
 - ❑ Mixed farming system, Kisii, Kenya

More information at:

- [Http://www.fao.org/sard/en/init/](http://www.fao.org/sard/en/init/)

An aerial photograph of terraced rice fields. The terraces are arranged in a series of curved, concentric lines that follow the contours of a hillside. The fields are filled with water, reflecting the sky, and the rice plants are in various stages of growth, appearing as vibrant green. A central green rectangular box with white text is overlaid on the image.

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very much
for your attention!