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The International Treaty
ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES
FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

**Views, Experiences and Best Practices as an example of possible options for
the national implementation of Article 9 of the International Treaty**

Note by the Secretary

At its [second meeting](#) of the Ad hoc Technical Expert Group on Farmers' Rights (AHTEG), the Expert Group agreed on a revised version of the [template](#) for collecting information on examples of national measures, best practices and lessons learned from the realization of Farmers' Rights

This document presents the updated information on best practices and measures of implementing Article 9 of the International Treaty submitted by Jordan on 24 July 2019.

The submission is presented in the form and language in which it was received.



Template for submission of

Measures, Best Practices and Lessons Learned from the Realization of Farmers' Rights as set out in Article 9 of the International Treaty

Basic information

Title of measure/practice :

Participatory approaches to research on PGRFA, including characterization and evaluation, participatory plant breeding and variety selection and involving farmers in addressing problem of value chains in collaboration with exporters and central market agents. This included training needs of farmers to run their own enterprises in Jordan valley

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- Date of submission: 2018
- Name(s) of country/countries in which the measure/practice is taking place : Jordan
- Responsible institution/organization (name, address, website (if applicable), e-mail address, telephone number(s) and contact person)
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- Type of institution/organization (categories): Governmental institution, categories: 7 and 9
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Different Directorates of the Ministry of Agriculture, Associations of water consumption, the Famers Union of Jordan Valley
Supported by: The Ministry of Planning and the Climate Change Mitigation Fund

Description of the examples

Mandatory information:¹

Participatory approach of choosing orchards trees tropical to subtropical varieties to be planted in the northern and mid Jordan valley where subtropical conditions prevails this included 24 farmers 3 of them are women. There has been theoretical training of tropical trees cultivation a head of which there has been a participatory study on the value chain in the Jordan valley regarding fruits and vegetables production to address the issues faced and with attendance of representatives of the Central Vegetables Market and the Association of Jordan Fruit and Vegetable Exporters.

- - Implementing entity and partners: The National Agricultural Research Center

¹ This mandatory information is required in order for the measure/practice to be included in the Inventory.



- Start year 2018
- Objective(s): Improve the economic status of farmers of the Jordan valley and enable their participation in identifying the best methods and approaches to achieve their sustainable development toward improving the living condition of the livelihoods
- Lessons learned (if applicable)
Farmers ability to mitigate climate change using adapted cultivation and economic utilization of areas toward productive enterprises
- To which provision(s) of Article 9 of the International Treaty does this measure relate
 - Art. 9.1
 - Art. 9.2a
 - Art. 9.2b
 - Art. 9.2c
 - Art. 9.3

Other information, if applicable

- Please indicate which category of the Inventory is most relevant for the proposed measure, and which other categories are also relevant (if any):

No.	Category	Most relevant ²	Also relevant ³
1	Recognition of local and indigenous communities', farmers' contributions to conservation and sustainable use of PGRFA, such as awards and recognition of custodian/guardian farmers		
2	Financial contributions to support farmers conservation and sustainable use of PGRFA such as contributions to benefit-sharing funds		
3	Approaches to encourage income-generating activities to support farmers' conservation and sustainable use of PGRFA		X
4	Catalogues, registries and other forms of documentation of PGRFA and protection of traditional knowledge		
5	In-situ/on-farm conservation and management of PGRFA, such as social and cultural measures, community biodiversity management and conservation sites		
6	Facilitation of farmers' access to a diversity of PGRFA through community seed banks ⁴ , seed networks and other measures improving farmers' choices of a wider diversity of PGRFA.		
7	Participatory approaches to research on PGRFA, including characterization and evaluation, participatory plant breeding and variety selection		X
8	Farmers' participation in decision-making at local, national and sub-regional, regional and international levels		

²Please select only one category that is most relevant, under which the measure will be listed.

³Please select one or several categories that may also be relevant (if applicable).

⁴ Including seed houses.



9	Training, capacity development and public awareness creation		X
10	Legal measures for the implementation of Farmers' Rights, such as legislative measures related to PGRFA.		
11	Other measures / practices		

- In case you selected 'other measures', would you like to suggest a description of this measure, e.g. as a possible new category? _____
- Objective(s)
- Target group(s) and numbers of involved and affected farmers⁵ 35 famers about 5 are women
- Location(s) and geographical outreach

- Resources used for implementation of the measure/practice
- How has the measure/practice affected the conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture?
- Please describe the achievements of the measure/ practice so far (including quantification) (max 200 words)
- Other national level instruments that are linked to the measure/practice
- Are you aware of any other international agreements or programs that are relevant for this measure/practice?
- Other issues you wish to address, that have not yet been covered, to describe the measure/practice

Lessons learned

- Describe lessons learned which may be relevant for others who wish to do the same or similar measures/practices (max 250 words).
- What challenges encountered along the way (if applicable) (max 200 words)
- What would you consider conditions for success, if others should seek to carry out such a measure or organize such an activity? (max 100 words)

Further information

- Link(s) to further information about the measure/practice

⁵ Any classification, e.g. of the types of farmer addressed, may be country-specific.